

Argumentag Wrestling

You can have multiple “bouts” going at once. Use masking tape to mark out rings - meaning a square as opposed to a circle - the connotations here are of wrestling.

Two teams stand on either side of each ring. Four or five players in each team is best.

The questions need to have two clear directions in which to argue. You can give them questions or have them pick them from a hat. But what's ideal is if Team A choose a question and Team B choose which way they are going to argue. That way, it's in Team A's interests to come up with a finely balanced question.

A player from the opposing team then steps forward to respond to that point. It goes back and forth, and each player may make up to three points before he has to tag another player from his team to take his place. Only one player from each team can be in the ring at a time, and only the players in the ring can speak.

Players indicate that they want to be tagged by holding out a hand, as in tag wrestling.

Because players opt in, and need only make one point before tagging another player, it's easy for more people to get involved. Boys versus girls often works well with this game.

Let the round continue for a while, then “ring the bell” and award the points for the round to one side or the other. You can stage a tournament too - see the secret link, details on inside front cover.