

Setup

- 2-7 players (or more for podcast/group formats)
- Sit around a table or recording setup
- Shuffle the ACOT Debate deck
- Each round, one card is drawn and read aloud

Gameplay Rules

1. Read the Card Aloud
2. One player reads the debate question clearly.
3. Individual Reflection (Optional – 30 seconds)
4. Each player may take a moment to think before speaking.
5. Open Discussion Begins
6. Players take turns sharing their perspective.
 - No judgement
7. Challenge & Respond
8. Players may respectfully question or challenge opinions to deepen the discussion.
9. Rotate the Reader
10. The next player draws the following card.

Optional Debate Rules (Advanced Play)

- Time Limit: 2-5 minutes per question
- Devil's Advocate Round: One player must argue the opposite view
- Silent Vote: Players vote privately on whether opinions shifted

Podcast Mode

- One host reads the question
- Each participant answers in turn
- Audience engagement encouraged through comments, polls, or follow-ups

🎯 THE PURPOSE OF ACOT DEBATE

- Encourage critical thinking
- Improve communication skills
- Explore uncomfortable or taboo topics safely
- Understand opposing viewpoints
- Create powerful conversations that extend beyond the game