Toronto Debate Academy BP Role Fulfillment Cheat Sheet



Opening Government (OG)	Opening Opposition (OO)
Prime Minister (PM)	Leader of Opposition (LO)
✓ Model the resolution	✓ Provide OO's stance
✓ Provide a goal for OG	✓ Roadmap
✓ Roadmap	✓ Provide 2-3 arguments
✓ Give 2-3 arguments	✓ Refute the PM
✓ Summarize what you've proven	✓ Summarize what you've proven
Deputy Prime Minister (DPM)	Deputy Leader of Opposition (DLO)
✓ Roadmap	✓ Roadmap
✓ Refute LO's points	✓ Further the refutation of OG's points
✓ Rebuild PM's points	✓ Rebuild the LO's points
✓ Summarize OG's position and explain why OG	✓ Summarize OO's position and explain why OO
is winning	is winning
Closing Government	Closing Opposition
Member of Government (MG)	Member of Opposition (MO)
✓ Roadmap	✓ Roadmap
✓ Provide an Extension (1 new point)	✓ Provide an Extension (1 new point)
✓ Refute OO	✓ Refute MG
✓ Summarize round including why extension	✓ Refute OG
matters	✓ Summarize round including why extension
	matters
Government Whip (GW)	Opposition Whip (OW)
✓ Roadmap	✓ Roadmap
✓ Summarize the round in 2-3 questions	✓ Summarize the round in 2-3 questions
(remember to answer your questions clearly	(remember to answer your questions clearly
at the end)	at the end)
✓ [Either refute the MO's extension at the start	
of the speech or in the questions but be sure	
to flag when you do]	
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Other Tips

Always speak to the judge(s) and refer to the one in the middle as Mr./Mme. Speaker. Avoid using the word "you" or speaking to your opponents

Note taking is crucial so always flow every speech in the round, even if you have already spoken

The best extensions are both new arguments and something that is important in the round

The best whip speeches are made up from questions that show a key issue that the sides disagreed on (see examples on p. 9-10 of the BP Guide Book)

Key Concepts

P - Point

A – Analysis (why and why it matters)

E – Example

L – Link

Roadmapping – saying what you are going to say and in what order during your speech

Flagging – saying when you are done one part of your speech and starting the next part

Modelling – Implementer, scope, additional parameters, and goal (only include the information that is important to have a good debate)