Great Debate Topics

1. Is the Political Culture of Canada Becoming Americanized?
2. Should Representation in Parliament Mirror Canada’s Social Diversity?
3. Should Canada Adopt Proportional Representation?
4. Is Ethnic Conflict Inevitable?
5. Should the United Nations be Given Stronger Peacekeeping Capabilities?
6. Does Morality Need Religion?
7. Is the Decline of the Traditional Family a National Crisis?
8. Are Welfare Reforms Ineffective because Welfare Mothers are Irresponsible and Lazy?
9. Is Love a Mechanism of Evolution?
10. Is Treating Homosexuality Ethical and Effective?
11. Is Globalization Likely to Create a Better World?
12. Are Patents on HIV/AIDS Drugs Unfair to Poor Countries?
13. Is Capital Punishment Justified?
14. Does Population Growth Threaten Humanity?
15. Has Affirmative Action Outlived its Usefulness?
16. Have Scholars Ignored the Willing Participation of Germans in Killing Jews During the Holocaust?
17. Are African Leaders Misguided in Their Fight Against AIDS?
18. Are Arabs and Other Muslims Portrayed Unfairly in American Films?
19. Is Israel the Aggressor in the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict?
20. Should the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge Be Opened to Oil Drilling?
21. Does China Threaten World Peace and Security?

Remember: Many of these issues are from an American Perspective but that does not make the issue any less important. You should consider these questions from a Canadian context as well when you are preparing for your debate.