HMDC Elementary Debate Class (Summer 2024) - Arguments

Topic: The use of "Geoengineering" technology to cool the planet would be desirable.

Introduction (PRO)

Hello, my name is... [Full Name: First & Last].

Today, we will discuss... Using "Geoengineering" to cool the planet.

My partner and I believe... using geoengineering is desirable.

To begin, let's discuss... Preventing Natural Disasters

PRO-01: Preventing Natural Disasters

Using geoengineering will... prevent natural disasters

because...

First... Preventing Cities from Flooded

Our research states... The Earth is so warm that the ice caps are melting, and cities will become flooded due to higher sea levels.

This means... If we use geoengineering, we can prevent the ice from melting because the planet will be cooler, reducing the risk of floods.

Also... Reducing Storm Intensity

Our research states... Geoengineering can reduce storms because it makes the oceans cooler, which means less energy for storm formation and weaker storms.

This means... Using geoengineering will make storms less severe and less frequent, keeping people and property safer.

Therefore... Using geoengineering WILL prevent natural disasters.

The next argument I will present is... Protecting Endangered Species

PRO-02: Protecting Endangered Species

Using geoengineering will... protect endangered species.

because...

First... Protecting Animal Habitats

Our research states... Geoengineering helps animals because it keeps their habitats cooler, which is essential for their survival in a warming world.

This means... Using geoengineering will protect the homes of animals, ensuring they can live and thrive.

Also... Supporting Coral Reefs

Our research states... Geoengineering helps coral reefs because it keeps ocean temperatures lower, which corals need to avoid bleaching and death.

This means... Using geoengineering will protect coral reefs, which are vital for many marine species.

Therefore... Using geoengineering WILL protect endangered species.

So, for all these reasons, please vote for the PRO. Thank you.

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Introduction (CON)

Hello, my name is... [Full Name: First & Last].

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To begin, let's discuss... Effectiveness

CON-01: Lacking Effectiveness

Using geoengineering will... not be effective

because...

First... Technology is Untested

Our research states... Geoengineering may not work properly because it has never been tested on a large scale (only in science labs).

This means... If we use geoengineering, we will be taking a big risk because it might not work and could end up making things even worse.

Also... Risk of Technical Failures

Our research states... Geoengineering could fail because the systems and technologies might not work as planned or could break down unexpectedly.

This means... Using geoengineering is unreliable because the technology might malfunction or fail, leading to more problems instead of solutions.

Therefore... Using geoengineering will NOT be effective.

The next argument I will present is... Wasting Valuable Resources

CON-02: Wasting Valuable Resources

Using geoengineering will... waste valuable resources.

because...

First... Technology is Too Expensive

Our research states... Geoengineering is too costly because it uses a lot of materials, and it uses expensive technology.

This means... If we use geoengineering, we will waste money that could have been spent on other things such as electric vehicles and renewable energy.

Also... Poor Use of Resources

Our research states... Geoengineering uses resources that could be better spent on renewable energy and other solutions to fight climate change.

This means... Using geoengineering diverts important resources away from more effective and sustainable climate solutions.

Therefore... Using geoengineering WILL waste valuable resources.

So, for all these reasons, please vote for the CON. Thank you.