HOW TO HOST
YOUR OWN (VIRTUAL)
LISTENING PARTY!
WELCOME

Invite your friends and family to join you for a **Smash Boom Best** listening party. Our judges had their say — now it’s your turn!

We’d love to see how you’re debating! Share your virtual party with us on Facebook and Twitter/Instagram (@smashboombest).

Now let’s make sure you have what you need for your Smash Boom Best listening party...

CHECKLIST

- PEN/PENCIL & PAPER
- BINGO CARD
  (INCLUDING: STRONG DEBATE TECHNIQUES & LOGICAL FALLACIES DESCRIPTIONS)
- SCORE SHEET
- WINNER’S CROWN
- SPOTIFY PLAYLIST
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FIND MORE BINGO CARDS ONLINE HERE.
## THE SCORECARD

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## THIS EPISODE'S BEST ARGUMENT

## NOTES AND DRAWINGS

## THE VICTOR IS:
STRONG DEBATE TECHNIQUES

Use facts, get an expert to back your claims, and make your argument emotionally appealing to your audience!

FACTS:
Use facts to support your claims.
Use reliable sources and always fact-check.

EMOTIONAL HOOK:
Get your audience to empathize with your argument.

EXPERT OPINION:
Find an expert to support your claims.
LOGICAL FALLACIES

Logical fallacies are common mistakes people make when they’re debating. They make it easier for your opponent to poke holes in your arguments!

AD HOMINEM
Making a personal attack on your opponent, rather than addressing the topic of debate directly. This doesn’t work because the attack isn’t actually about the topic at hand. Plus it’s not nice.

STRAWMAN FALLACY
Misrepresenting or exaggerating your opponent’s argument, making it easier to attack. This makes it easy for your opponent to point out that your argument is just an exaggeration, not based in reality.

BANDWAGON EFFECT
Assuming an argument must be true just because it’s popular. Popular opinion can be based on bad information, leaving these arguments open to attack.

SLIPPERY SLOPE
Assuming a relatively insignificant action or event will lead to a very significant outcome. This doesn’t work because it exaggerates possible outcomes.

HASTY GENERALIZATION
Making bold, generalized claims about a group or phenomenon based on insufficient evidence. A skilled debater can poke holes in these arguments by pointing out that they aren’t based in fact.

RED HERRING
Distracting from the argument at hand by bringing up an irrelevant piece of information, or shifting the argument in a totally new direction. It’s not an effective strategy because your opponent can just point out that you’re going off topic, which makes it look like you don’t have a handle on the issue you’re debating!
SPOTIFY PLAYLIST

FIND THE ENTIRE PLAYLIST HERE.

- **Eye of the Tiger**
  Survivor

- **You’re the Best**
  Joe “Bean” Esposito

- **Showdown**
  Martha High

- **Hit Me with Your Best Shot**
  Pat Benatar

- **We Just Disagree**
  Dave Mason

- **Everybody Wants to Rule the World**
  Tears For Fears