

**DIVISION ROLE PLAY** Conscience Vote  
**Playing sport is better than playing  
computer games**



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**ALL MEMBERS** *Sitting in seats (Opening of Parliament)*

**SERGEANT-AT-ARMS & SPEAKER** *Stand outside. Walk in Sergeant-at-Arms first, then Speaker. Sergeant-at-Arms stops at the table.*

**SERGEANT-AT-ARMS** **Honourable Members, Mr/Madam Speaker.**

**ALL MEMBERS** *Stand up*

**SERGEANT-AT-ARMS** *Sergeant-at-Arms puts the Mace on the end of the table.*

**CLERK** *Stands behind his or her chair*

**SPEAKER** **I offer a prayer on behalf of the Parliament.**

*The Speaker nods once to the Government and once to the Opposition to acknowledge that they are present.*

*The Speaker takes his/her seat, and says:*

**I acknowledge the traditional owners of the land on which Parliament meets.**

**EVERYONE** *Sit down*

**SPEAKER** **I call the Premier.**

**PREMIER** **Madam/Mr Speaker, I move that playing sport is better than playing computer games.**

**Playing sport is much better than playing computer games because it keeps you physically fit and healthy.**

**SPEAKER** **I call the Leader of the Opposition.**

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**LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION** Madam/Mr Speaker, playing sport is good but not better than playing computer games.

In this rapidly changing world of technology it is very important for children to be confident when using computers.

**SPEAKER** I call the Minister for Sport.

**MINISTER FOR SPORT** Madam/Mr Speaker, playing sport is better than playing computer games because fit and healthy people are more likely to lead longer, healthier lives.

**SPEAKER** I call the Shadow Minister for Sport.

**SHADOW MINISTER FOR SPORT** Madam/Mr Speaker, playing sport is good but not better than playing computer games because it is important for all people to find enjoyable ways to relax so that we have a happy society.

**SPEAKER** Order! The question is: That playing sport is better than playing computer games.

Those who agree say *Aye*, (*pause*)  
those against say *No*. (*pause*)

I think the Ayes have it.

**LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION** **DIVIDE!**

**SPEAKER** Order! The question is: That playing sport is better than playing computer games, for which a division has been called.

Ring the bells.

**CLERK** *Bells are rung by the Clerk of the Parliament*

**ALL MEMBERS** *While the bells are ringing students are to remain quietly in their seats.*

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**SPEAKER** *When the bells cease ringing . . .*

**Close the bars. I call on the Government Whip to act as Teller for the Ayes and the Opposition Whip to act as Teller for the Noes.**

**WHIPS** *Whips count Members' votes and report the numbers to the Speaker.*

**SPEAKER** **Government Whip what are the party votes for the ayes?**

**Opposition Whip what are the party votes for the noes?**

**Honourable Members, the result of the division is Ayes ##....., Noes. ##..... The division is resolved in the affirmative/negative.**

*IF the result is a tie.....*

**SPEAKER** **The result of the division is a tie. As Speaker I use my right to cast the casting vote. I vote with the Government. The Division is resolved in the affirmative.**

**SPEAKER** **I call the Premier.**

**PREMIER** **I move that the House do now adjourn.**

**SPEAKER** **The question is: That the House do now adjourn.**

**All those who agree say Aye,  
Those against say No.**

**I think the Ayes have it.**

**EVERYONE** *Stand up*

**SERGEANT-AT-ARMS** *Sergeant-at-Arms collects the Mace and leads The Speaker out.*