
VERBS FOR WRITING STUDENT OUTCOMES

List of CRC Approved Verbs for Writing Student Learning Outcomes

* It is normal for verbs to show in more than one category. The category depends on subject matter and context

Remember:

- arrange
- choose
- define
- describe
- duplicate
- find
- identify
- label
- list
- tell
- locate
- match
- memorize
- name
- order
- outline
- quote
- recall
- recite
- recognize
- relate
- repeat
- reproduce
- select
- show
- spell
- state

Understand:

- arrange
- associate
- clarify
- classify
- compare
- contrast
- convert
- defend
- demonstrate
- describe
- differentiate
- discuss
- distinguish
- estimate
- exemplify
- explain
- express
- extend
- generalize
- give example(s)
- identify
- illustrate
- indicate
- infer
- interpret
- interrelate
- locate
- match
- organize
- outline
- paraphrase
- predict
- recognize
- relate
- reorganize
- rephrase
- report
- restate
- review
- rewrite
- select
- show
- summarize
- transform
- translate

Apply:

- apply
- appraise
- break down
- build
- calculate
- change
- choose
- classify
- compute
- construct
- contrast
- criticize
- demonstrate
- determine
- develop

- diagnose
- discover
- discuss
- dramatize
- employ
- estimate
- examine
- execute
- formulate
- generalize
- give examples

- identify
- illustrate
- implement
- interpret
- make use of
- manipulate
- model
- modify
- operate
- organize
- paint

- plan
- predict
- prepare
- produce
- relate
- schedule
- select
- show
- sketch
- solve
- use

Analyze:

- analyze
- appraise
- associate
- break down
- calculate
- categorize
- change
- choose
- classify
- combine
- compare
- contrast
- correlate
- criticize
- debate
- deconstruct
- deduce
- derive
- diagram
- differentiate
- discover
- discriminate

- discuss
- dissect
- distill
- distinguish
- divide
- dramatize
- employ
- estimate
- examine
- experiment
- extrapolate
- figure
- find
- formulate
- function
- identify
- illustrate
- induce
- infer
- inspect
- integrate
- interpret

- investigate
- manipulate
- model
- modify
- operate
- organize
- outline
- point out
- predict
- prepare
- question
- relate
- select
- separate
- show
- simplify
- sketch
- solve
- subdivide
- survey
- test
- use

- appraise
- argue
- assess
- award
- challenge
- check
- choose

- compare
- conclude
- contrast
- convince
- criticize
- critique
- debate

- decide
- deduct
- defend
- describe
- detect
- determine
- discount

- discredit
- discriminate
- disprove
- dispute
- edit
- estimate
- evaluate
- explain
- interpret
- judge
- justify
- measure
- monitor
- persuade
- predict
- prioritize
- prove
- qualify
- rank
- rate
- recommend
- reframe
- relate
- rule on
- score
- select
- summarize
- support
- test
- validate
- value
- verify
- weigh

Create:

- adapt
- arrange
- assemble
- author
- build
- categorize
- change
- choose
- combine
- compile
- compose
- conclude
- conjecture
- construct
- create
- design
- develop
- devise
- elaborate
- estimate
- explain
- extend
- formulate
- generalize
- generate
- hypothesize
- integrate
- invent
- investigate
- modify
- orate
- organize
- plan
- posit
- predict
- prepare
- produce
- propose
- rearrange
- reconstruct
- relate
- reorganize
- revise
- rewrite
- set up
- simulate
- solve
- structure
- summarize
- suppose
- synthesize
- tell
- test
- theorize
- transform
- verify
- write