

Knowledge Taxonomy Verb List

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KNOWLEDGE

arrange	match
check	name
choose	point to
find	recall
group	recite
identify	repeat
label	say
list	select
locate	write

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COMPREHENSION

advance	interpret
calculate	outline
change	project
contemplate	propose
convert	reword
define	submit
explain	transform
extrapolate	translate
infer	vary

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APPLICATION

adopt	manipulate
capitalize on	mobilize
consume	operate
devote	put to use
employ	relate
exercise	solve
handle	start
maintain	take up
make use of	utilize

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ANALYSIS

assay	include
audit	inspect
break down	look at
canvass	scrutinize
check out	sift
deduce	study
dissect	survey
divide	test for
examine	uncover

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SYNTHESIS

blend	develop
build	evolve
cause	form
combine	generate
compile	make up
compose	originate
conceive	produce
construct	reorder
create	structure

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EVALUATION

accept	grade
appraise	judge
arbitrate	prioritize
assess	rank
award	rate
classify	reject
criticize	rule on
decide	settle
determine	weigh

Verb List by Rigor/Relevance Quadrant

Notes:

- Verbs are not always an absolute indicator of the level of rigor and relevance. Also consider the context and work in which students are engaged when determining the level of rigor and relevance.
- Some verbs are listed in multiple quadrants.
- Verbs are listed where they are used most frequently.

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analyze categorize classify compare conclude contrast defend diagram	differentiate discriminate evaluate examine explain infer judge justify prove

D	
adapt argue compose conclude construct design evaluate formulate invent	justify modify predict prioritize propose rate recommend revise teach

A	
calculate choose count define describe find identify label list locate	match memorize name recall recite record select spell

B	
adjust apply build calculate construct demonstrate dramatize draw follow illustrate	interpret interview make model play produce relate sequence show solve use