

LIST OF VERBS FOR FORMULATING EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES

The following verbs have been found to be effective in formulating educational objectives:

1. Communicate Knowledge:

Information

cite	identify	quote	relate	trace
count	indicate	read	repeat	write
define	list	recite	state	
describe	name	recognize	tabulate	
draw	point	record	tell	

Comprehension

associate	contrast	distinguish	extrapolate	predict
classify	describe	estimate	interpolate	report
compare	differentiate	explain	interpret	restate
compute	discuss	express	locate	review

Application

apply	employ	locate	relate	solve
calculate	examine	operate	report	translate
complete	illustrate	order	restate	use
demonstrate	interpolate	practice	review	utilize
dramatize	interpret	predict	schedule	

Analysis

analyze	criticize	diagram	experiment	inventory
appraise	debate	differentiate	infer	question
contract	detect	distinguish	inspect	separate

Synthesis

arrange	construct	formulate	organize	produce
assemble	create	generalize	plan	propose
collect	design	integrate	prepare	specify
compose	detect	manage	prescribe	

Evaluation

appraise	construct	grade	rank	score
assess	estimate	judge	rate	select
choose	evaluate	measure	recommend	test
compose	generalize	prepare	revise	

2. Impart Skill:

diagnose	integrate	measure	percuss
empathize	internalize	palpate	project
hold	massage	pass	visualize

3. Convey Attitudes:

acquire	exemplify	realize	reflect
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Avoid verbs that are open to too many interpretations, such as appreciate, believe, internalize, know, learn, and understand.