

Verbs for Well-Designed Learning Outcomes

Level	Remember	Understand	Apply	Analyze	Evaluate	Create
Revised Bloom's Definition	Exhibit memory of previously learned material by recalling facts, terms, basic concepts, and answers.	Demonstrate understanding of facts and ideas by organizing, comparing, translating, interpreting, giving descriptions, and stating main ideas.	Solve problems to new situations by applying acquired knowledge, facts, techniques and rules in a different way.	Examine and break information into parts by identifying motives or causes. Make inferences and find evidence to support generalizations.	Present and defend opinions by making judgments about information, validity of ideas, or quality of work based on a set of criteria.	Compile information together in a different way by combining elements in a new pattern or proposing alternative solutions.
Recommended Verbs	Cite	Articulate	Allocate	Analyze	Assess	Assemble
	Define	Characterize	Apply	Characterize	Compare	Build
	Describe	Clarify	Assign	Classify	Conclude	Combine
	Identify	Classify	Calculate	Compare	Contrast	Compose
	List	Compare	Classify	Contrast	Critique	Construct
	Match	Contrast	Construct	Detect	Defend	Create
	Name	Defend	Determine	Diagnose	Determine	Design
	Outline	Describe	Employ	Diagram	Evaluate	Develop
	Recall	Distinguish	Examine	Differentiate	Interpret	Formulate
	Reproduce	Explain	Illustrate	Examine	Judge	Generate
	Select	Generalize	Modify	Explain	Justify	Integrate
	State	Identify	Personalize	Illustrate	Prioritize	Model
		Illustrate	Solve	Investigate	Rate	Modify
		Interpret	Use	Prioritize	Recommend	Organize
	Summarize	Utilize	Select	Select	Produce	
Additional Verbs	Label	Convert	Adapt	Audit	Appraise	Arrange
	Quote	Detail	Avoid	Categorize	Counsel	Compile
	Recite	Differentiate	Complete	Distinguish	Discriminate	Cultivate
	Record	Elaborate	Compute	Group	Estimate	Depict
	Repeat	Estimate	Customize	Identify	Measure	Devise
	Write	Outline	Derive	Organize	Predict	Enhance
		Paraphrase	Manipulate	Outline	Prescribe	Improve
		Rewrite	Operate	Separate	Rank	Incorporate
		Translate	Project	Specify	Support	Prepare
					Verify	Revise

Do NOT use these verbs to develop learning outcomes.

acquire	consider	give	refute
act	consult	have/has	relate
anticipate	demonstrate	interact with	report
appreciate	discover	learn	review
ask	discuss	observe	show
attain	display	persuade	study
aware	ensure	practice	think
become familiar with	exercise	read	understand
capture	explore	realize	work
communicate	express	recognize	
comply	extend	reflect	

1. Avoid the use of **“and”** → may be two outcomes
2. Avoid wordiness.