

Glossary of BOS Verbs

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Account - Account for: state reasons for, report on. Give an account of: narrate a series of events or transactions

Analyse - Identify components and the relationship between them; draw out and relate implications

Apply - Use, utilise, employ in a particular situation

Appreciate - Make a judgement about the value of

Assess - Make a judgement of value, quality, outcomes, results or size

Calculate - Ascertain/determine from given facts, figures or information

Clarify - Make clear or plain

Classify - Arrange or include in classes/categories

Compare - Show how things are similar or different

Construct - Make; build; put together items or arguments

Contrast - Show how things are different or opposite

Critically (analyse/evaluate) - Add a degree or level of accuracy depth, knowledge and understanding, logic, questioning, reflection and quality to (analyse/evaluate)

Deduce - Draw conclusions

Define - State meaning and identify essential qualities

Demonstrate - Show by example

Describe - Provide characteristics and features

Discuss - Identify issues and provide points for and/or against

Distinguish - Recognise or note/indicate as being distinct or different from; to note differences between

Evaluate - Make a judgement based on criteria; determine the value of

Examine - Inquire into

Explain - Relate cause and effect; make the relationships between things evident; provide why and/or how

Extract - Choose relevant and/or appropriate details

Extrapolate - Infer from what is known

Identify - Recognise and name

Interpret - Draw meaning from

Investigate - Plan, inquire into and draw conclusions about

Justify - Support an argument or conclusion

Outline - Sketch in general terms; indicate the main features of

Predict - Suggest what may happen based on available information

Propose - Put forward (for example a point of view, idea, argument, suggestion) for consideration or action

Recall - Present remembered ideas, facts or experiences

Recommend - Provide reasons in favour

Recount - Retell a series of events

Summarise - Express, concisely, the relevant details

Synthesise - Putting together various elements to make a whole