## Action Verbs for Use in Developing Objectives

### These Verbs Are Better Avoided
- appreciate
- have faith in
- know
- learn
- understand
- believe

### Level of Learning

#### Cognitive Learning

- **Knowledge**
  - *remember information*
  - characterize, cite, count, define, describe, draw, identify, indicate, label, list, match, name, outline, point, quote, read, recall, recite, recognize, record, relate, repeat, reproduce, select, state, tabulate, tell, trace, write

- **Comprehension**
  - *understand or organize stored info.*
  - associate, classify, compare, compute, contrast, convert, defend, derive, describe, differentiate, discuss, distinguish, estimate, explain, express, extend, extrapolate, generate, give examples, illustrate, infer, interpolate, interpret, locate, paraphrase, predict, reorder, report, restate, review, rewrite, summarize, translate

- **Application**
  - *use info. to solve problems*
  - apply, calculate, change, choose, classify, complete, compute, demonstrate, discover, dramatize, employ, examine, illustrate, interpolate, interpret, locate, manipulate, modify, operate, order, practice, predict, prepare, produce, relate, report, restate, review, schedule, select, show, sketch, solve, translate, use, utilize

- **Analysis**
  - *consider evidence to reach conclusion*
  - analyze, appraise, break down, conclude, contract, criticize, debate, deduce, detect, determine, diagram, differentiate, discriminate, distinguish, experiment, identify, illustrate, infer, inspect, inventory, outline, point out, question, regroup, relate, separate, select, separate, subdivide, summarize

- **Synthesis**
  - *break down info. To understand components*
  - arrange, assemble, categorize, codify, collect, combine, compile, compose, construct, create, design, detect, develop, devise, draw, explain, formulate, generalize, generate, integrate, manage, modify, organize, originate, plan, predict, prepare, prescribe, produce, propose, rearrange, reconstruct, relate, reorganize, revise, rewrite, solve, specify, summarize, synthesize, tell, write

- **Evaluation**
  - *judge merit*
  - appraise, argue, assess, choose, compare, conclude, contrast, criticize, critique, decide, describe, discriminate, determine, estimate, explain, evaluate, grade, interpret, judge, justify, measure, rank, rate, recommend, relate, revise, score, select, summarize, support, test

#### Psychomotor Learning

- **Motor skills**
  - auscultate, diagnose, hold, measure, palpate, pass, percuss, project, visualize, etc.
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<td>The participant should be able to...</td>
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<td><strong>Receive</strong></td>
<td><strong>ask, choose, describe, follow, give, hold, identify, locate, name, pick, point to, select, reply, use</strong></td>
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<td>(attend to stimuli)</td>
<td><strong>Respond</strong></td>
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<td><strong>aid, answer, assist, comply, conform, discuss greet, help, label, perform, practice, present, read, recite, report, select, tell, write</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Value</strong></td>
<td><strong>complete, describe, differentiate, explain, follow, form, initiate, invite, join, justify, propose, read, report, select, share, start, study, work</strong></td>
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<td>(attach significance to ideas)</td>
<td><strong>Organization</strong></td>
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<td><strong>adhere, alter, arrange, assemble, combine, compare, complete, defend, explain, generalize, identify , integrate, modify , order, organize, prepare, relate, synthesize</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Characterization</strong></td>
<td><strong>act, convince, discriminate, display, exemplify , influence, listen, modify , perform, practice, question, reflect, revise, serve, solve, use, verify</strong></td>
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