

<b><u>Clue Word</u></b>	<b><u>Meaning</u></b>
<b>Analyse</b>	To find the main ideas, how they are related and why they are important.
<b>Comment on</b>	To discuss, criticise, or explain its meaning as completely as possible.
<b>Compare</b>	To show both the differences and the similarities.
<b>Contrast</b>	To compare by showing the differences.
<b>Criticise</b>	To give your judgement or reasoned opinion of something, showing its good and bad points. However, it is not necessary to attack.
<b>Define</b>	To give the formal meaning by distinguishing it from related terms. This is often a matter of giving a memorised definition.
<b>Describe</b>	To write a detailed account or verbal picture in a logical sequence or story form.
<b>Diagram</b>	To make a graph, chart or drawing. Be sure to label it and add a brief explanation if necessary.
<b>Discuss</b>	To present arguments for and against a point of view and reach a conclusion. The arguments must be supported with appropriate evidence.
<b>Enumerate</b>	To list. Name and list the main ideas one by one.
<b>Evaluate</b>	To give an opinion, supported by some expert opinions, of the truth or importance of a concept. Show the advantages and disadvantages.
<b>Illustrate</b>	To explain or make clear by concrete examples, comparisons or analogies.
<b>Interpret</b>	To give the meaning using examples and personal comments to make something clear.
<b>Justify</b>	To give a statement of why you think something is so. Give reasons for your statement or conclusion.
<b>List</b>	To produce a list of words, sentences or comments. Same as enumerate.
<b>Outline</b>	To give a general summary. It should contain a series of main ideas supported by secondary facts. Show the organisation of the idea.
<b>Prove</b>	To show by argument or logic that something is true. However, the word 'prove' has a very specific meaning in maths and physics.
<b>Relate</b>	To show the connection between things, telling how one causes or is like another.
<b>Review</b>	To give a survey or summary in which you look at the important parts and criticise if necessary.
<b>State</b>	To describe the main points in precise terms. Use brief, clear sentences. Omit details or examples.
<b>Summarise</b>	To give a brief, condensed account of the main ideas.
<b>Trace</b>	To follow the progress or history of the subject