

## WHAT DOES IT MEAN??

*When the teacher says ...                      I need ...*

<b>Word</b>	<b>Definition</b>
<b>Analyze</b>	To divide the topic into main parts and discuss the parts
<b>Assess</b>	To make a judgment about an idea statement or situation
<b>Clarify</b>	To make clear to the understanding; explain
<b>Classify</b>	To arrange or organize according to characteristics or descriptors
<b>Compare</b>	To judge or note the similarities or differences
<b>Conclude</b>	To find out by thinking; reach or arrive at a decision, judgment
<b>Confirm</b>	To show something to be true or correct
<b>Contrast</b>	To show two or more things are different
<b>Critique</b>	To judge a statement or situation carefully, giving both positive and negative aspects and giving the results of your judgment
<b>Define</b>	To give a clear, concise meaning including how a word is used and an example
<b>Demonstrate</b>	To prove by argument or evidence
<b>Describe</b>	To tell the meaning of the word, term or concept concisely
<b>Develop</b>	To work out in more and more detail; make better and bigger
<b>Discuss</b>	To examine and analyze the details of a subject, exploring the arguments for and against
<b>Evaluate</b>	To make a judgment of the qualities or importance of the content
<b>Examine</b>	To look at closely and carefully; ask questions
<b>Explain</b>	To make clear and understandable
<b>Identify</b>	To establish as being a particular person, thing, or quantity
<b>Illustrate</b>	To explain or clarify using a figure, picture or concrete example
<b>Infer</b>	To conclude from evidence or circumstance
<b>Interpret</b>	To show, clarify or explain the meaning of
<b>Justify</b>	To show or prove something to be just or right
<b>Organize</b>	To put together as a whole
<b>Predict</b>	To state or tell what one thinks could or will occur
<b>Prioritize</b>	To establish an order of importance
<b>Propose</b>	To present a plan or intention
<b>Prove</b>	To use factual evidence, clear examples, and logical reasons to show that a statement or situation is true
<b>Provide</b>	To supply or make available
<b>Recall</b>	To call back to mind and remember
<b>Reflect</b>	To think carefully
<b>Relate</b>	To show how situations
<b>Represent</b>	To design or set forth
<b>Respond</b>	To speak, act, write in return
<b>Review</b>	To go over again
<b>State</b>	To set forth clearly and specifically
<b>Summarize</b>	To give the main or important facts
<b>Support</b>	To hold up or add strength to
<b>Tell</b>	To give a detailed account of an event, situation or problem
<b>Trace</b>	To describe the development of a situation or event to follow the course of
<b>Use</b>	To bring or put into action
<b>Verify</b>	To prove something to be true; to confirm and check for accuracy

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