

KS3 / 4 Exam Command words



<p>Analyse</p> <p>separate information into components and identify their characteristics</p>	<p>Assess</p> <p>make an informed judgement</p>	<p>Consider</p> <p>review and respond to given information</p>
<p>Criticise</p> <p>assess worth against explicit expectations</p>	<p>Comment</p> <p>present an informed opinion</p>	<p>Define</p> <p>specify meaning</p>
<p>Describe</p> <p>set out characteristics</p>	<p>Discuss</p> <p>present key points</p>	<p>Deduce</p> <p>draw conclusions from information provided</p>
<p>Examine</p> <p>investigate closely</p>	<p>Explore</p> <p>investigate without preconceptions about the outcome</p>	<p>Evaluate</p> <p>judge from available evidence</p>
<p>Explain</p> <p>set out purposes or reasons</p>	<p>Illustrate</p> <p>present clarifying examples</p>	<p>Interpret</p> <p>translate information into recognisable form</p>
<p>Outline</p> <p>set out main characteristics</p>	<p>Summarise</p> <p>present principal points without detail</p>	<p>State</p> <p>express in clear terms</p>

<p>Relate</p> <p>demonstrate connections between items</p>	<p>Review</p> <p>survey information</p>	<p>Argue</p> <p>present a reasoned case</p>
<p>Debate</p> <p>present different perspectives on an issue</p>	<p>Give</p> <p>produce an answer from recall</p>	<p>Justify</p> <p>support a case with evidence</p>
<p>Estimate</p> <p>assign an approximate value</p>	<p>Calculate</p> <p>work out the value of something</p>	<p>Suggest</p> <p>present a possible case</p>
<p>Prove</p> <p>demonstrate validity on the basis of evidence</p>	<p>Compare</p> <p>identify similarities</p>	<p>Contrast</p> <p>identify differences</p>
<p>Apply</p> <p>put into effect in a recognised way</p>	<p>Complete</p> <p>finish a task by adding to given information</p>	<p>Develop</p> <p>take forward or build upon given information</p>
<p>Identify</p> <p>name or otherwise characterise</p>		

Subject	Command words
Business Studies	complete, state, calculate, discuss, explain, analyse, evaluate, justify, recommend
PSHE	state, explain, evaluate
Computer Science	explain, draw, compare, evaluate, convert, design, develop, extend, programme, write
Dance	give, define, name, outline, describe, discuss, explain, identify, apply, analyse, interpret, evaluate, create, develop, perform
D&T	complete, calculate, describe, explain, sketch, evaluate
Drama	describe, explain, apply, analyse, evaluate, justify, create, develop
English Language	choose, list, give, shade, describe, explain, compare, consider, evaluate, support, write
English Literature	explain, compare, explore, write, how does the writer present
Food Tech.	give, shade, describe, explain, identify, investigate, assess, evaluate, suggest, give justified reasons
Geography	give, name, outline, shade, calculate, describe, discuss, explain, identify, measure, compare, assess, evaluate, justify, suggest, use evidence to, to what extent
History	outline, describe, explain, compare, how far do you agree, to what extent, write an account
Maths	circle, give, comment, estimate, rotate, plot, show, simplify, solve, work out, evaluate, write
Media Studies	give, name, shade, state, discuss, explain, identify, analyse, compare, consider, evaluate, how might, what do you understand by
MFL	name, complete, describe, identify, state T/F/NM
Music	name, state, describe, explain, identify, show, assess, compose
PE	define, name, outline, state, describe, discuss, explain, identify, analyse, consider, evaluate, justify, suggest
RE	give, name, explain, contrast, evaluate
Science	give, name, calculate, describe, explain, estimate, analyse, compare, evaluate, suggest

Close reading of an exam question

