**Useful Verbs**

accelerate

accommodate

accompany

account for

achieve

acquire

adapt

add

address

adjust

adopt

affect

allow

alter

analys/ze

apply

argue

arise

arrange

assemble

assess

assist

associate

assume

attach

attempt

avoid

bring about

broaden

calculate

carry out

categoris/ze

cause

challenge

change

choose

claim

classify

collect

combine

compare

compensate

compute

concentrate

conclude

concur

conduct

confirm

connect to

consider

consolidate

construct

contradict contribute

control

convert

correlate

correspond

corroborate

create

deal with

debate

decline

decrease

define

delay

demonstrate

derive

describe

design

detect

determine

develop

devise

discard

discover

discuss

display

disprove

distribute

divide

drop

effect

elicit

eliminate

employ

enable

enhance

ensure

establish

estimate

evaluate

examine

exist

expand

expect

explain

explore

expose

extend

extract

facilitate

fall

filter

find

focus on

formulate

generate

give rise to

guarantee

help (to)

identify

illustrate

immerse

implement

imply

improve

include

incorporate

increase

indicate

influence

inhibit

initiate

insert

install

interpret

introduce

inset

investigate

isolate

limit

link

locate

maintain

manage to

match

maximis/ze

measure

minimis/ze

mirror

miscalculate

misjudge

misunderstand

model

modify

monitor

neglect

note

observe

obtain

occur

offer

operate

optimis/ze

originate

outline

outperform

overcome

overlook

peak

perform

permit

plot

point out

position

precede

predict

prefer

prepare

present

prevent

produce

propose

prove

provide

publish

put forward

quantify

realis/ze

recognis/ze

recommend

record

reduce

refine

refute

regulate

reinforce

relate

remain

remove

repeat

report

represent

resolve

restrict

retain

reveal

review

revise

rise

sample

score

select

separate

show

simulate

solve

stabilis/ze

state

study

substitute

succeed

suggest

summaris/ze

support

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| test | treat | use | vary |
| track | trigger | utilis/ze\* | verify |
| transfer | undertake | validate | yield |

\* *Use* is always better than *utilis/ze*.

The verbs highlighted should be used with care.

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