Active Verbs for Student Learning Outcome Articulation

Verbs describing student acquisition and preparation of tools, materials, and texts of various types (including digital and archival) access, acquire, collect, accumulate, extract, gather, locate, obtain, retrieve	Verbs indicating what students do to certify information, materials, texts, etc. cite, document, record, reference, source	Verbs indicating the modes of student characterization of the objects of knowledge or materials of production, performance, exhibit categorize, classify, define, describe, determine, frame, identify,	Verbs describing what students do in processing data and allied information calculate, determine, estimate, manipulate, measure, solve, test
Verbs further describing the ways in which students format data, information, materials arrange, assemble,	Verbs describing what students do in explaining a position, creation, set of observations, or a text articulate, clarify,	prioritize, specify Verbs falling under the cognitive activities we group under "analyze" compare, contrast,	Verbs describing what students do when they "inquire"
collate, organize, sort	explicate, illustrate, interpret, outline, translate, elaborate, elucidate	differentiate, distinguish, formulate, map, match, equate	explore, hypothesize, investigate, research, test
Verbs describing what students do when they combine ideas, materials, observations	Verbs that describe what students do in various forms of "making"	Verbs that describe the various ways in which students utilize the materials of learning	Verbs that describe various executive functions students perform
assimilate, consolidate, merge, connect, integrate, link, synthesize, summarize	build, compose, construct, craft, create, design, develop, generate, model, shape, simulate	apply, carry out, conduct, demonstrate, employ, implement, perform, produce, use	operate, administer, control, coordinate, engage, lead, maintain, manage, navigate, optimize, plan
Verbs that describe forms of deliberative activity in which students engage	Verbs that indicate how students valuate objects, experiences, texts, productions, etc.	Verbs that reference the types of communication in which we ask students to engage	Verbs that describe what students do in rethinking or reconstructing
argue, challenge, debate, defend, justify, resolve, dispute, advocate, persuade	audit, appraise, assess, evaluate, judge, rank	report, edit, encode/decode, pantomime (v), map, display, draw/ diagram, collaborate, contribute, negotiate, feed back	accommodate, adapt, adjust, improve, modify, refine, reflect, review