

# HOUNSLOW LANGUAGE SERVICE



Supporting KS4/5 EAL Students with Examination Questions, Techniques & Strategies

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## **Exploring Use of Command Verbs used** in Exam Questions, Tests and Text Books

#### Introduction

This book is organised in a way that provides notes and suggestions for teachers on the one side and the student book, as it appears to the student, on the other side.

The scheme of work aims to assist students to understand the precise meanings of a number of command verbs which research shows to be among the most commonly used verbs in test and exam questions.

The approach is flexible in that certain activities are general in nature, while others relate specifically to the area of Business Studies, though all students still take part in these. Further activities can be adapted to suit your subject area. Where this is recommended, it is indicated in the teaching notes by the following symbol:

#### Learning Objectives

- To heighten learners' awareness of the style of language used in exams
- To deepen learners' understanding of frequently used command verbs which give instructions in exam questions
- To heighten learners' awareness of the precise meanings of words
- To build learners' confidence in answering exam questions
- To encourage learners to follow instructions more carefully
- To provide opportunities for learners to articulate answers to exam questions
- To provide opportunities for learners to share and contribute to each other's ideas
- To develop learners' use of predicting skills
- To develop learners' vocabulary through word building activities
- To encourage learners to reflect on the usage of specific vocabulary in their L1.

## Exploring Use of Command Verbs used in Exam Questions, Tests and Text Books

#### Introduction

This scheme of work explores the meanings of verbs which are commonly used to give instructions in exams and tests.

#### It aims to:

- develop your knowledge of vocabulary
- examine the meaning of frequently used command verbs which come up in test and exam questions
- assist you in understanding the precise meanings of words
- explore the use of formal language
- develop your skills in predicting
- encourage you to follow instructions more carefully
- build your confidence in answering exam questions
- provide practice in answering exam questions
- encourage you to share and contribute to each other's ideas
- encourage you to compare how these verbs are used in your first language.

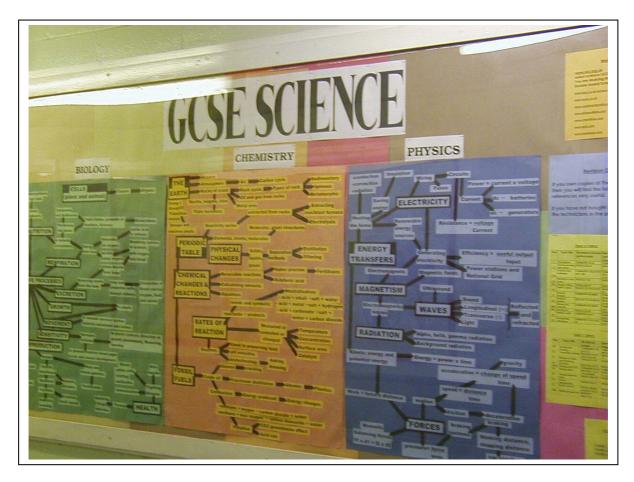
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### Suggestions

## Activity 1

#### Verbs used in Exams

Encourage students to discuss the meaning of these verbs without using a dictionary. However, it's not necessary to spend a long time on this, as students will explore these verbs in more detail as they work through the unit.





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