Acceptable Verbs for Writing Objectives

The following is a list of suggested verbs which may be used in the development of our objectives. The 2001 revision of Bloom's Taxonomy classifies measurable verbs into hierarchical levels, as shown below. This list is not meant to be all inclusive and limiting. Used properly, these behavioral verbs will be found acceptable.

Remembering Verbs	Understanding Verbs	Applying Verbs	Analyzing Verbs	Evaluating Verbs	Creating Verbs
Define	Classify	Apply	Compare	Argue	Construct
Identity	Indicate	Examine	Contrast	Critique	Design
List	Match	Generalize	Differentiate	Defend	Formulate
State	Select	Illustrate	Discriminate	Evaluate	Hypothesize
Reproduce	Summarize	Record	Examine	Judge	Plan

*Only ONE behavioral verb must be used per objective.