

The Ultimate List of Acting Verbs “Objectives”

abase	cajole	deny	free	muster	reiterate	suppress
abet	calculate	detect	frighten	mystify	reject	surprise
abolish	call	deter	frustrate	nag	rejoin	swindle
absolve	catch	devastate	fuddle	nauseate	release	tantalize
abuse	caution	dictate	gag	negotiate	relegate	tarnish
accept	censure	direct	gauge	notify	remedy	tease
acquaint	challenge	disconcert	gladden	nullify	renege	tempt
acquit	charge	discourage	goad	obliterate	repel	terrify
addle	charm	discredit	graft	offend	reprehend	thwart
address	chastise	disencumber	gull	oppose	repress	tickle
admonish	cheat	disgrace	hallow	organize	reprimand	titillate
affirm	check	disgust	harangue	orient	repulse	tolerate
afflict	cheer	dishearten	hassle	orientate	resist	torment
affront	chide	dispirit	help	overlook	retract	torture
aid	clarify	displease	henpeck	panic	revolt	trammel
ail	cloak	dissuade	hoodwink	parrot	ridicule	trick
alarm	coax	distress	humble	patronize	sanctify	trouble
alert	coddle	divert	humiliate	perform	satisfy	tyrannize
allow	coerce	divine	humour	perplex	scheme	unburden
allure	collude	dodge	hurt	persecute	scold	understand
amaze	command	dominate	hush	peruse	scrutinize	uproot
amend	commend	dramatize	hypnotize	placate	sedate	urge
amuse	con	draw	imitate	plan	seduce	vacillate
anger	conceal	duck	impair	please	settle	validate verify
antagonize	concern	ease	implicate	pledge	shake	victimize
anticipate	conciliate	educate	indict	pontificate	shame	vilify
ape appeal	condemn	elevate	indoctrinate	pose	shroud	vindicate
approach	condescend	elicit	induce	pray	shun	warn
arouse	confide	elucidate	indulge	preoccupy	sicken	wheedle
arrange	confirm	embroil	insinuate	press	simplify	woo
assess	confound	enchant	inspire	prevail	slander	worry
assist	confuse	endear	insult	prick	slur	worship
astound	consider	endure	interview	prod	smother	wrangle
attack	consign	enflame	intrigue	promise	snare	
authenticate	contest	engross	invite	promote	sober	
baby	convince	enkindle	judge	prompt	somber	
badger	correct	enlighten	lambast	propagandize	soothe	
baffle	corroborate	enmesh	lampoon	propel	spellbind	
bait	court	ensnare	lead	propose	spoil	
bear	cover	entangle	lecture	propound	spur	
beckon	criticize	entertain	libel	prosecute	spurn	
befuddle	crucify	entice	liberate	provoke	squash	
beg	crush	entrap	lure	purge	squelch	
beguile	curse	entreat	magnetize	purify	startle	
belittle	damn	entrust	malign	pursue	still	
berate	dare	eradicate	maneuver	quash	stir	
beseech	deceive	eschew	manipulate	quench	stretch	
bewitch	declaim	estimate	marshall	query	strike	
bid	deduce	evoke	mask	rack	strip	
blame	defame	evaluate	mend	rally	study	
bless	defraud	excuse	mimic	ratify	stymie	
bluff	defy	execute	mislead	ravage	substantiate	
boost	delight	exploit	misuse	rave	suffer	
brainwash	delude	facilitate	mobilize	read	suggest	
bribe	demean	feed	mortify	rebuke	summon	
buck	denigrate	force	motivate	recreate	supplicate	
bushwhack	denunciate	frame	muffle	rectify	support	

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