

**The Ultimate List
of Acting Verbs
“Objectives”**

abase
abet
abolish
absolve
abuse
accept
acquaint
acquit
addle
address
admonish
affirm
afflict
affront
aid
ail
alarm
alert
allow
allure
amaze
amend
amuse
anger
antagonize
anticipate
ape appeal
approach
arouse
arrange
assess
assist
astound
attack

authenticate

baby
badger
baffle
bait
bear
beckon
befuddle
beg
beguile
belittle
berate
beseech
bewitch
bid
blame
bless
bluff
boost
brainwash
bribe
buck
bushwhack

cajole
calculate
call
catch
caution
censure
challenge
charge
charm
chastise
cheat
check
cheer

chide
clarify
cloak
coax
coddle
coerce
collude
command
commend
con
conceal
concern
conciliate
condemn
condescend
confide
confirm
confound
confuse
consider
consign
contest
convince
correct
corroborate
court
cover
criticize
crucify
crush
curse

damn
dare
deceive
declaim
deduce
defame

defraud
defy
delight
delude
demean
denigrate
denunciate
deny
detect
deter
devastate
dictate
direct
disconcert
discourage
discredit
disencumber
disgrace
disgust
dishearten
dispirit
displease
dissuade
distress
divert
divine
dodge
dominate
dramatize
draw
duck

ease
educate
elevate
elicit
elucidate
embroil

enchant
endear
endure
enflame
engross
enkindle
enlighten
enmesh
ensnare
entangle
entertain
entice
entrap
entreat
entrust
eradicate
eschew
estimate
evade
evaluate
excuse
execute
exploit

facilitate
feed
force
frame
free
frighten
frustrate
fuddle

gag
gauge
gladden
goad
graft

gull
hallow
harangue
hassle
help
henpeck
hoodwink
humble
humiliate
humour
hurt
hush
hypnotize

imitate
impair
implicate
indict
indoctrinate
induce
indulge
insinuate
inspire
insult
interview
intrigue
invite

judge

lambast
lampoon
lead
lecture
libel
liberate
lure

magnetize
malign
maneuver
manipulate
marshall
mask
mend
mimic
mislead
misuse
mobilize
mortify
motivate
muffle
muster
mystify

nag
nauseate
negotiate
notify
nullify

obliterate
offend
oppose
organize
orient
orientate
overlook

panic
parrot
patronize
perform
perplex
persecute
peruse

placate
plan
please
pledge
pontificate
pose
pray
preoccupy
press
prevail
prick
prod
promise
promote
prompt
propagandize
propel
propose
propound
prosecute
provoke
purge
purify
pursue

quash
quench
query

rack
rally
ratify
ravage
rave
read
rebuke
recreate
rectify

reiterate
reject
rejoin
release
relegate
remedy
renege
repel
reprehend
repress
reprimand
repulse
resist
retract
revolt
ridicule

sanctify
satisfy
scheme
scold
scrutinize
sedate
seduce
settle
shake
shame
shroud
shun
sicken
simplify
slander
slur
smother
snare
sober
somber
soothe

spellbind

spoil

spur

spurn

squash

squelch

startle

still

stir

stretch

strike

strip

study

stymie

substantiate

suffer

suggest

summon

supplicate

support

suppress

surprise

swindle

tantalize

tarnish

tease

tempt

terrify

thwart

tickle

titillate

tolerate

torment

torture

trammel

trick

trouble

tyrannize

unburden

understand

uproot

urge

vacillate

validate verify

victimize

vilify

vindicate

warn

wheedle

woo

worry

worship

wrangle

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