

## Verbs for Academic Analysis

Acknowledges	Differentiates	Lists
Amplifies	Dissects	Models
Analyzes	Distinguishes	Observes*
Argues*	Documents	Navigates
Articulates	Establishes	Organizes
Asserts*	Evaluates	Outlines
Blends	Exemplifies	Persuades
Challenges	Explains*	Predicts
Clarifies	Forecasts	Presents
Compares	Gathers	Proposes
Compiles	Generalizes	Provides
Concludes	Identifies	Qualifies
Constructs	Illustrates	Questions
Contrasts	Incorporates	Substantiates
Critiques	Inspects	Suggests*
Debates	Integrates	Summarizes
Deconstructs	Interprets	Theorizes
Defends	Introduces	Traces
Defines	Justifies	Uses

\* When using these verbs, be especially careful not to lapse into a summary of what the author is saying!

Consider using the following construction:

Here, the author [VERB] [IDEA] by [EXPLAIN HOW].