

AP words
(to use in essays)

Practice using a variety of words to phrase “said” and “symbolize” in different ways. Avoid using “symbolize” because students find it too easy to write “x symbolizes y” and then neglect to explain or justify with details.

Do not use the following words: if, this, these, there, something, someone, says, tells, seem.

Show	View	Reference	Vouch
Relay	Convey	amplify	Marks
Signify	Portend	Concludes	Leads
Develop	Maximize	Points	Confuse
Characterize	Corroborate	Affects	Defy
Evoke	Display	Certifies	Reinforce
Introduce	Produces	Presents	Contradict
Detail	Continues	Traces	Create
Minimize	Cause	Contrast	Indicates
Parallels	Verifies	Deny	Address
Weaken	Deters	Enhances	Complement
Promote	Explains	Resembles	Communicate
Writes	Compare	Hint	Ascertain
Contributes	Legitimize	Translate	Evolves
Testifies	Enforces	Guide	Symbolize (1x)
Affirms	Detract	Specify	Expresses
Entails	Invalidates	Link	
Directs	Justify	Balances	
Support	Mislead	Envelops	
Define	States	Show (1x)	
Adds	Comprehend	Connect	
Validates	Builds	Demonstrate	
Dismiss	Understand	Infer	
Proposes	Complicate	Represent	
Reaffirms	Combines	Discover	
Render	Illustrate	Use	
Paint	Imply	Draw	
Tint	Relate	Transmit	
Simplify	Reveal	Magnify	
Juxtapose	Reflect	Reiterate	
Epitomize	Diminish	Correlate	
Suggest	Enable	Strengthen	
Portray	Establish	Exemplifies	
Allude	Foreshadow	Consider	
Describe	Identify	Stem	
Involves		Effect	