# Test Construction 

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## Revised Bloom's Taxonomy

- Gives slightly different names to the six levels of the hierarchy
- knowledge
- Comprehension
- application
- analysis
- synthesis
- evaluation

- remember
- understand
- apply
- analyze
- evaluate
- create
- The last two categories have been reversed, putting create as the most complex level.

Action Verbs for Knowledge


Source: https://www.mandela.ac.za/cyberhunts/bloom.htm

Action Verbs for Comprehension

## Explain Interpret Outline Discuss Distinguish

## Predict Restate Translate Compare Describe

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## Action Verbs for Application



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Action Verbs for Analysis

## Analyze Distinguish Examine Compare Contrast

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Action Verbs for Synthesis

| Create |
| :---: |
| Invent |
| Compose |
| Predict |
| Plan |

## Construct Design Imagine Propose Devise Formulation

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## Action Verbs for Evaluation

| Judge |
| :---: |
| Select |
| Choose |
| Decide |
| Justify |
| Debate |
| Verify |

Argue
Recommend
Assess
Discuss
Rate
Prioritise
Determine

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## Example of Question for Knowledge

Which units are metric measurements of length?
A. Meters
B. Liters
C. Grams
D. Pounds

## Example Question for Comprehension

How many kilometers are in 4000 meters?
A. $\frac{1}{4000}$
B. $\frac{1}{400}$
C. 4
D. 40

## Example Question for Application

## Who is the tallest?

| Name | Amy | Beth | Carol | Jane |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Height <br> (cm.) | 152 | 150 | 154 | 151 |

A. Amy
B. Beth
C. Carol
D. Jane

## Example Question for Analysis

Who is taller than 151 cm ., but shorter than 153 cm .?

| Name | Amy | Beth | Carol | Jane |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Height <br> (cm.) | 152 | 150 | 154 | 151 |

A. Amy
B. Beth
C. Carol
D. Jane

## Example Question for Synthesis

For women, ideal body weight (in kilograms) is $49 \mathrm{~kg}+1.7 \mathrm{~kg}$ for each inch over 152 cm . ( 1 inch $=2.54 \mathrm{~cm}$.)

Question: Find the ideal body weight (in kilograms) for women tall 154.54 cm .

## Example Question for Evaluation

For men, ideal body weight (in kilograms) is
$52 \mathrm{~kg}+1.9 \mathrm{~kg}$ for each inch over 5 feet ( 1 inch $=2.54 \mathrm{~cm}$.).

Question: Draw a line graph to show the ideal body weight (in kilograms) and height (in centimeters).


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