Select 10-15 functional words to use across content areas.

Consider words and phrases used in grade-level questions and prompts.

abbreviate	assume	complete	credible	effectively	focus	interpret	not	portray	refer	standard
abstract	assumption	compose	credibility	elaborate	format	interpretation	notation	portrayal	reflect	state
according	audience	composition	credit	elements	formulate	introduce	note	position	reflection	statement
acknowledge	authentic	concise	criteria	emphasize	frequently	introduction	notice	possible	regular	strategy
acronym	background	conceive	critique	employ	general	invariably	objective	precise	relate	study
address	best	conclude	crucial	equal	genre	investigate	observe	preclude	relationship	style
affect	brainstorm	conclusion	cumulative	equivalent	graph	involve	occur	predict	relevant	subject
all	brief	concrete	debate	essential	graphic	irrelevant	opinion	prepare	rephrase	subjective
alter	calculate	conditions	defend	establish	heading	isolate	opponent	preview	report	substitute
always	caption	conduct	define	estimate	highlight	italics	oppose	previous	represent	succinct
analysis	categorize	confirm	demand	estimation	idea	judge	opposite	primarily	require	sufficient
analyze	category	conflicting	demonstrate	evaluate	identify	judgment	optional	prior	respond	suggest
annotate	cause	consequence	depict	event	illustrate	key	order	probably	response	summarize
annotation	character	consider	derive	evidence	imitate	label	organize	procedure	restate	summary
anticipate	characteristic	consist	describe	exaggerate	impact	likely	origins	profile	results	support
any	characterize	consistent	detail	examine	imply	list	outline	project	reveal	survey
application	chart	consistently	detect	example	include	literal	pace	prompt	review	symbolize
apply	chronological	constant	determine	excerpt	incorporate	locate	paraphrase	property	select	synthesis
approach	chronology	constitutes	develop	exclude	indicate	logical	participation	proponents	selection	synthesize
appropriate	citation	consult	devise	exemplary	indirect	main	passage	propose	sequence	trace
approximate	cite	context	differentiate	exhibit	infer	maintain	pattern	prose	series	trait
argue	claim	continuum	diminish	explain	inference	margin	perform	prove	show	typically
argument	clarify	contradict	direct	explore	influence	mean	perspective	purpose	signal	unified
arrange	class	contradiction	discipline	expository	inform	method	persuade	quotation	significance	unique
article	classify	contribute	discover	express	inquire	model	place	quote	skim	vary
articulate	clue	control	discriminate	extract	instructions	modify	plagiarism	rank	solve	verify
aspects	code	convey	discuss	fact	integrate	most likely	plan	rare	source	viewpoint
assemble	common	convince	distinguish	factor	intent	motivation	plausible	rarely	speaker	
assert	compare	correlate	domain	feature	intention	narrative	plot	reaction	specific	
assess	compile	correspond	draw	figurative	interact	never	point	rebuttal	speculate	
associate	complement	counterclaim	effect	figure	interaction	no	point of view	recall	stance	