



Words to Use/Words NOT to Use when Writing an IEP

The following is a list of words that are commonly found on IEP's. Notice the difference. It is important to word the objectives for your child's IEP in ways that are specific. Remember: If the objectives can't be measured, they are too subjective!

WORDS TO AVOID:

Appreciate
Enjoy
Realize
Master
Understand
Learn
Know
Improve
Apply
Think
Believe
Experience
Comprehend
Apprehend
Perceive
Acknowledge
Distinguish
Evolve
Accept
Elaborate
Produce

WORDS TO USE:

Organize
Explain
Describe
Construct
Complete
Indicate
Compare
Demonstrate
Identify
Maintain
Assemble
Build
Formulate
Correlate
Show
Manipulate
Conduct
Utilize
Develop
Create
Illustrate