

Command words | The Secondary Stage of (6-8)

1st Semester | 2023-2024

Subject: Biology

Objective: To recognize the meaning of the command words to be able to answer questions

correctly.

Note that there is no need to memorize their meanings, you will practice using them during the year.

Command word	What it means
Calculate	work out from given facts, figures or information
Compare	identify/comment on similarities and/or differences
Define	give precise meaning
Describe	state the points of a topic / give characteristics and main features
Determine	establish an answer using the information available
Evaluate	judge or calculate the quality, importance, amount, or value of something
Explain	set out purposes or reasons / make the relationships between things evident / provide why and/or how and support with relevant evidence
Give	produce an answer from a given source or recall/memory
Identify	name/select/recognise
Outline	set out main points
Predict	suggest what may happen based on available information
Sketch	make a simple freehand drawing showing the key features, taking care over proportions
State	express in clear terms
Suggest	apply knowledge and understanding to situations where there are a range of valid responses in order to make proposals / put forward considerations















