

Paragraph

CD concrete detail

CM commentary (at least 2)

Strong Verbs

Replace "to be" verbs with strong verbs in sentences, chunks, paragraphs, and essays:

align	amaze	analyze
annotate	announce	annoy
apply	assess	assimilate
brainstorm	browse	cajole
cancel	capitulate	capture
carve	censor	characterize
charge	charm	clarify
coalesce	collapse	combine
communicate	compare	contemplate
connect	connive	count
consider	consolidate	critique
construct	consume	define
contest	decorate	design
create	describe	distinguish
decipher	digest	elucidate
delineate	edit	encourage
diagnose	empathize	exemplify
divulge	eradicate	embellish
express yourself	fold	
engrave	identify	illuminate
explain	immortalize	improvise
harmonize	inspect	melt
imagine	link	modify
inform	metamorphosing	orchestrate
investigate	navigate	peruse
memorize	persuade	ponder
mold	plagiarize	reconcile
participate	recapitulate	record
photograph	regurgitate	reject
quote	remunerate	remark
reconstruct	script	review
reflect	separate	scrutinize
relate	shrink	shrivel
remind	summarize	trigger
rhyme	tell	visualize
search	urge	
shave	winnow	
specify		
suppress		
understand		
warn		

Strong verbs from the freshman green vocabulary book:

scoff

acquiesce

meander

dismantle

squabble

assuage

engender

atrophy

behoove

sequester

gibe

capitulate

ingratiate

debilitate

rebuff

loathe

repudiate

acclaim

assimilate

alleviate

maim

ebb

embellish

obliterate

equivocate

exacerbate

bequeath

carp

commiserate

quell

raze

deter

refurbish

Strong verbs for juniors from vocabulary book B (yellow):

abate
abhor
appease
balk
befuddle
castigate
circumvent
collaborate
condone
deprecate
dole
enamored
enraptured
evinced
exhort
expunge
extradite
fluctuate
galvanize
hurtle

abet
acquit
augment
bask
cajole
chastise
coerce
concur
connive
divulge
emulate
enhance
enunciate
evoke
expound
extol
exult
frustrate
harrying
incarcerate

Strong verbs for seniors from book C (red):

adulterate	aggrandize
beguile	• besiege
besmirch	• blanch
bowdlerize	cajole
censure	coalesce
• defile	deign
delineate	deride
• deviate	• edify
• elicit	elucidate
emanate	enervate
eschew	flagellate
• flaunt	flout
foment	gambol
garner	gibe
• gloat	glower
hallow	hector
immolate	• impair
• impale	impinge
importune	juxtapose
obfuscate	obviate
palliate	• peruse
ratiocinate	• rationalize
• rebuke	• recant
recapitulate	• recoil
rectify	regale
• regress	scintillate