

The Ultimate List of Acting Verbs (Tactics)

abase	acquaint	afflict	allow	antagonize	assess
abet	acquit	affront	allure	anticipate	assist
abolish	addle	aid	amaze	ape appeal	astound
absolve	address	ail	amend	approach	attack
abuse	admonish	alarm	amuse	arouse	authenticate
accept	affirm	alert	anger	arrange	

baby	bear	beguile	bewitch	bluff	
badger	beckon	belittle	bid	boost	buck
baffle	befuddle	berate	blame	brainwash	bushwhack
bait	beg	beseech	bless	bribe	

cajole	charm	coax	concern	consider	
calculate	chastise	coddle	conciliate	consign	
call	cheat	coerce	condemn	contest	criticize
catch	check	collude	condescend	convince	crucify
caution	cheer	command	confide	correct	crush
censure	chide	commend	confirm	corroborate	curse
challenge	clarify	con	confound	court	
charge	cloak	conceal	confuse	cover	

damn	defraud	deny	disconcert	dishearten	divine
dare	defy	detect	discourage	dispirit	dodge
deceive	delight	deter	discredit	displease	dominate
declaim	delude	devastate	disencumber	dissuade	dramatize
deduce	demean	dictate	disgrace	distress	draw
defame	denigrate	direct	disgust	divert	duck

ease	embroil	engross	entangle	entrust	evaluate
educate	enchant	enkindle	entertain	eradicate	excuse
elevate	endear	enlighten	entice	eschew	execute
elicit	endure	enmesh	entrap	estimate	exploit
elucidate	enflame	ensnare	entreat	evade	

facilitate	force	free	frustrate		
feed	frame	frighten	fuddle		

gag	gauge	gladden	goad	graft	gull
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hallow	help	humble	hurt		
harangue	henpeck	humiliate	hush		
hassle	hoodwink	humour	hypnotize		

imitate	indoctrinate	inspire	invite		
impair	induce	insult			judge
implicate	indulge	interview			
indict	insinuate	intrigue			

lambast	lead	libel	lure		
lampoon	lecture	liberate			

magnetize	manipulate	mend	misuse	motivate	mystify
malign	marshall	mimic	mobilize	muffle	
maneuver	mask	mislead	mortify	muster	

nag	nauseate	negotiate	notify	nullify
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obliterate	oppose	orient	overlook
offend	organize	orientate	

panic	peruse	pose	prod	propose	pursue
parrot	placate	pray	promise	propound	
patronize	plan	preoccupy	promote	prosecute	
perform	please	press	prompt	provoke	
perplex	pledge	prevail	propagandize	purge	
persecute	pontificate	prick	propel	purify	

quash	quench	query
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rack	read	reject	renege	repulse
rally	rebuke	rejoin	repel	resist
ratify	recreate	release	reprehend	retract
ravage	rectify	relegate	repress	revolt
rave	reiterate	remedy	reprimand	ridicule

sanctify	shake	smother	spurn	strip	support	
satisfy	shame	snare	squash	study		suppress
scheme	shroud	sober	squelch	stymie		surprise
scold	shun	somber	startle	substantiate		swindle
scrutinize	sicken	soothe	still	suffer		
sedate	simplify	spellbind	stir	suggest		
seduce	slander	spoil	stretch	summon		
settle	slur	spur	strike	supplicate		

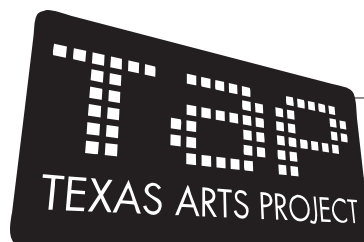
tantalize	tempt	tickle	torment	trick
tarnish	terrify	titillate	torture	trouble
tease	thwart	tolerate	trammel	tyrannize

unburden	understand	uproot	urge
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validate	verify	victimize	vilify	vindicate
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warn	wheedle	woo	worry	worship	wrangle
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