Larry Bell’s

The 12 Powerful Words

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Trace

List in steps

Outline
Trace

- List the steps
- Sequence

Step 1
First, I gathered the materials.

Step 2
Second, I added scoops of ice cream on the cone.

Step 3
Third, I ate the ice cream cone.
Analyze

Break Apart

THINK!
Analyze

- Break apart
- Study the pieces
Infer
Read between the lines
Infer

- Read between the lines
- Understand what isn’t stated directly
Formulate

Create
Formulate

- Create
- Put together
Evaluate

Judge
Evaluate

- Judge
- Tell one good and one bad
Describe

Tell all about

- Small
- Long ears
- Black nose
- Long tail
- Red collar
Support

Back up with Details

Paul Revere
- Silversmith
- Boston, Massachusetts
- Diligent
Support • Back up with details
Explain

Tell How

1. Get out your agenda
2. Write down your homework
3. Write down your spelling words
4. Read a book
Explain

- Tell how
- Put it in your own words
Summarize

Give me the short version
Summarize • Give me the short version
Compare

All the ways they are alike

- Girls
- Same height
- Smiling
Compare

• All the ways they are alike
Contrast

All the ways they are different

- Clothing
- Different toys
- Hair color
Contrast • All the ways they are different
Predict

What will happen next
Predict

• What will happen next
These twelve words are important.

I am glad we learned about these words.
Let’s start using these words all of the time.