

GMAT READING COMPREHENSION VOCABULARY

Advocate / Endorse / Bolster / Make a case for	Support, Encourage
Ambiguous / Ambivalent / Equivocal	Unsure, In two minds
Amplify	Elaborate upon
Approbation	Approval
Arbitrary	Random
Articulate	Express clearly
Assertion / Contention	Declaration
Challenge / Question / Skeptical / Call into question	Doubt
Chronology	Time-wise order
Cite	Quote, Give an example
Clarify	To make clear
Counter	Oppose
Critique	Analyze (not criticize)
Dilemma	A difficult situation
Disparage	Find fault with
Empirical	Statistical
Enumerate	To list
Evaluate	Judge
Exemplify / Illustrate	Give examples
Hypothesis	Theory that is unproved
Juxtaposition	Place side by side to contrast
Laudable	Praiseworthy
Paradox / Irony	Self Contradictory
Plausible	Believable
Pragmatic	Practical
Presupposition	Assumption
Qualify	Not 100%, Conditional
Reconcile	Balance two conflicting view points
Refute / Discredit	Prove wrong or false
Rescind / Annul	Cancel
Rhetoric	Effective and persuasive speech
Simulate	Imitate
Speculate	Guess
Stipulate	Specify a condition
Substantiate	Prove
Tentative	Provisional
Underlying	Basis of something
Undermine	Weaken