**Verbs for Literary Essays**

achieves

affects

allows

alludes

amplifies

analyzes

appeals

argues

asserts

avoids

bears out

becomes

builds

capitulates

changes

characterizes

clarifies

combines

communicates

compares

concerns

concludes

confirms

conflicts

connects

connotes

considers

contains

contrasts

contributes

controls

conveys

creates

defines

delays

demonstrates

denotes

departs from

depicts

describes

destroys

determines

develops

differs

dignifies

digresses

dispels

disputes

disrupts

dissects

distinguishes

distracts from

dominates

draws upon

effects

elevates

embodies

emerges

emotes

emphasizes

employs

erases

establishes

examines

exemplifies

explains

exposes

expresses

extends

evokes

evolves

extenuates

forces

forms

furnishes

foreshadows

framed by

functions as

illuminates

illustrates

imparts

implies

indicates

influences

inspires

introduces

invites

merits

maintains

manifests

minimizes

misrepresents

molds

offers

overshadows

parallels

permeates

portrays

precipitates

predicts

presents

preserves

produces

progresses

provides

raises

reflects

reinforces

represents

resembles

results in

reveals

sets

shapes

shifts

signifies

speaks of

suggests

supplies

supports

suppresses

sustains

symbolizes

transforms

unfolds

uses

voices

warns