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## Resume Action Words (Past Tense—to be used for Completed Employment & Activities)

| Abstract              | Authored          | Conceptualized | Developed     |
|-----------------------|-------------------|----------------|---------------|
| Access                | Authorized        | Concluded      | Devised       |
| Accomplish            | Averted           | Condensed      | Diagnosed     |
| Achieve               | Awarded           | Conducted      | Directed      |
| Acquired              | Balanced          | Conferred      | Discerned     |
| Acted                 | Began             | Configured     | Discharged    |
| Activated             | Bolstered         | Confirmed      | Discovered    |
| Adapted               | Bought            | Connected      | Discriminated |
| Added                 | Briefed           | Conserved      | Dispensed     |
| Addressed             | Budgeted          | Consolidated   | Dispatched    |
| Adjusted              | Built             | Constructed    | Displayed     |
| Administered          | Calculated        | Contracted     | Dissected     |
| Adopted               | Cared             | Consulted      | Distributed   |
| Advanced              | Case Managed      | Continued      | Diverted      |
| Advertised            | Categorized       | Contributed    | Documented    |
| Advised               | Centralized       | Controlled     | Drafted       |
| Advocated             | Certified         | Converted      | Dramatized    |
| Aided                 | Changed           | Convinced      | Drew          |
| Aligned               | Charged           | Cooperated     | Drove         |
| Allocated             | Charted           | Coordinated    | Earned        |
| Analyzed              | Chartered         | Copied         | Edited        |
| Answered              | Checked           | Corrected      | Educated      |
| Anticipated           | Clarified         | Correlated     | Elected       |
| Applied               | Classified        | Counseled      | Eliminated    |
| Appointed             | Co-authored       | Created        | Elucidated    |
| Appraised             | Coached           | Critiqued      | Empathized    |
| Approved              | Collaborated      | Cultivated     | Employed      |
| Arbitrated            | Collaborated with | Dealt          | Enabled       |
| Arranged              | Collated          | Debated        | Ended         |
| Ascertained           | Collected         | Decentralized  | Enforced      |
| Assembled             | Combined          | Decided        | Engaged       |
| Assembled group of    | Comforted         | Defined        | Engineered    |
| Assessed              | Communicated      | Delegated      | Enhanced      |
| Assisted [DO NOT USE] | Compared          | Delivered      | Enlarged      |
| Assured               | Compiled          | Demonstrated   | Enlisted      |
| Attained              | Completed         | Designed       | Enlightened   |
| Attended              | Complied          | Detailed       | Enriched      |
| Attributed            | Composed          | Detected       | Ensured       |
| Audited               | Computed          | Determined     | Established   |
| Augmented             | Conceived         | Deterred       | Estimated     |
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| Evaluated    | Handled            | Located      | Persuaded      |
|--------------|--------------------|--------------|----------------|
| Examined     | Headed             | Logged       | Photographed   |
| Exceeded     | Helped             | Made         | Piloted        |
| Excelled     | Hired              | Maintained   | Pinpointed     |
| Executed     | Hosted             | Managed      | Pioneered      |
| Expanded     | Hypothesized       | Manipulated  | Planned        |
| Expedited    | Identified         | Manufactured | Polled         |
| Experimented | Illustrated        | Mapped       | Practiced      |
| Explained    | Imagined           | Marketed     | Predicted      |
| Explored     | Implemented        | Mastered     | Prepared       |
| Expressed    | Improved           | Matched      | Perfected      |
| Extended     | Improvised         | Maximized    | Prescribed     |
| Extracted    | Increased          | Measured     | Presented      |
| Fabricated   | Influenced         | Mediated     | Presided       |
| Facilitated  | Informed           | Mentored     | Prevailed      |
| Fashioned    | Initiated          | Merchandised | Prevented      |
| Filed        | Innovated          | Merged       | Prioritized    |
| Finalized    | Inspected          | Met          | Problem-solved |
| Financed     | Inspired           | Met with     | Printed        |
| Finished     | Installed          | Modeled      | Probed         |
| Fired        | Instituted         | Moderated    | Processed      |
| Fitted       | Instructed         | Modernized   | Procured       |
| Fixed        | Integrated         | Modified     | Produced       |
| Focused      | Interacted         | Monitored    | Programmed     |
| Followed     | Interpreted        | Motivated    | Progressed     |
| Forecasted   | Interviewed        | Navigated    | Projected      |
| Formed       | Introduced         | Negotiated   | Promoted       |
| Fostered     | Invented           | Networked    | Proofread      |
| Found        | Inventoried        | Nominated    | Proposed       |
| Founded      | Investigated       | Observed     | Protected      |
| Formulated   | Invited            | Obtained     | Proved         |
| Fulfilled    | Involved           | Offered      | Provided       |
| Functioned   | Involved with team | Opened       | Publicized     |
| Furnished    | Issued             | Operated     | Published      |
| Gained       | Joined             | Ordered      | Purchased      |
| Galvanized   | Joined forces with | Organized    | Qualified      |
| Gathered     | Judged             | Oriented     | Quantified     |
| Gave         | Kept               | Originated   | Questioned     |
| Generated    | Launched           | Outsourced   | Raised         |
| Governed     | Learned            | Overcame     | Ran            |
| Grasped      | Lectured           | Oversaw      | Ranked         |
| Grew         | Led                | Painted      | Rated          |
| Grossed      | Lifted             | Participated | Rationalized   |
| Guaranteed   | Linked             | Partnered    | Reached        |
| Guarded      | Listened           | Perceived    | Read           |
| Guided       | Lobbied            | Performed    | Realized       |
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| Reasoned      | Selected       | Talked               |  |
|---------------|----------------|----------------------|--|
| Rebuilt       | Separated      | Taught               |  |
| Received      | Served         | Teamed               |  |
| Recognized    | Serviced       | Teamed with          |  |
| Recommended   | Set goals      | Tended               |  |
| Reconciled    | Settled        | Terminated           |  |
| Reconfigured  | Shadowed       | Tested               |  |
| Reconstructed | Shaped         | Theorized            |  |
| Recorded      | Shared         | Trained              |  |
| Recruited     | Showed         | Transcribed          |  |
| Rectified     | Simplified     | Translated           |  |
| Redesigned    | Sketched       | Transposed           |  |
| Reduced       | Skilled        | Traveled             |  |
| Referred      | Solicited      | Treated              |  |
| Refined       | Solved         | Troubleshoot         |  |
| Reframed      | Sorted         | Tutored              |  |
| Regulated     | Sought         | Uncovered            |  |
| Rehabilitated | Specialized in | Undertook            |  |
| Reinforced    | Spoke          | Unified              |  |
| Reinstated    | Staffed        | Upgraded             |  |
| Related       | Standardized   | Used                 |  |
| Relied        | Started        | Utilized             |  |
| Removed       | Strategized    | Validated            |  |
| Reported      | Streamlined    | Verbalized           |  |
| Researched    | Strengthened   | Verified             |  |
| Resolved      | Stressed       | Visualized           |  |
| Responded     | Structured     | Volunteered          |  |
| Restored      | Studied        | Weighed              |  |
| Restructured  | Submitted      | Withstood            |  |
| Retained      | Substantiated  | Won                  |  |
| Retrieved     | Succeeded      | Worked               |  |
| Revamped      | Summarized     | Worked together with |  |
| Reviewed      | Supervised     | Wrote                |  |
| Revised       | Supplemented   |                      |  |
| Revitalized   | Supplied       |                      |  |
| Routed        | Supported      |                      |  |
| Safeguarded   | Surpassed      |                      |  |
| Salvaged      | Surveyed       |                      |  |
| Satisfied     | Sustained      |                      |  |
| Saved         | Symbolized     |                      |  |
| Scanned       | Synergized     |                      |  |
| Scheduled     | Synthesized    |                      |  |
| Schemed       | Systematized   |                      |  |
| Screened      | Tabulated      |                      |  |
| Secured       | Tailored       |                      |  |
|               |                |                      |  |