Verb	Meaning	Example
abide by	To respect or obey a	If you want to keep your job here,
	decision, a law or a rule	you must abide by our rules.
account for	To explain, give a reason	I hope you can account for the time
		you were out!
add up	To make sense, seem	The facts in the case just don't add
	reasonable	up.
advise • .	To recommend not doing	I advise against walking alone in this
against	something	neighborhood.
agree with	To have the same opinion as someone else.	I agree with you. I think you should go as well.
allow for	To take into consideration	We need to allow for unexpected
		charges along the way.
appeal to	1. To plead or make	1. He appealed to the court to
	a request	change its decision.
	2. To be attractive or	2. A vacation of sunbathing
	interesting	doesn't appeal to me.
apply for	To make a formal request	He applied for a scholarship for next
	for something (job, permit,	semester.
	loan etc.)	
back away	To move backwards, in fear	When he saw the bear, he backed
	or dislike	away in fright.
back down	To withdraw, concede	Local authorities backed down on
	defeat	their threats to build on that part of the beach.
back up		
back ap	1. To give support or	1. I'm going to be very strict
	encouragement	with him. I hope
	2. To make a copy of	you'll back me up on this?
	(file, program,	2. You should back up all your
	etc.)	computer files in a secure
		location.
bank on	To base your hopes on	I'm banking on you to help with the
	something / someone	charity event.
black out	To faint, lose	Jenna fell in the parking lot
	consciousness	and blacked out.