

Word Study: Justify

Definition:

Show or prove
to be right or
reasonable

Characteristics:

verb - Show actions or steps
procedures are in sequence / order
precise vocabulary
To prove or show something to
be true

Justify

Example:

I can justify that
 $4 \times 12 = 48$.

First, I decomposed
the 12 into $(10 + 2)$.

Next, I multiplied 4×10
and 4×2 .

Then, _____

After that, _____

Finally, _____

I know this is true because

JUSTIFICATION = Have Proven

- write entire equation
- precise vocabulary
- distribute property to show that it is true

Non Example:

My answer is 48
because I multiplied.

First, I drew.

Next, I wrote.

That is my answer.

- only has answer no equation

- doesn't show steps

- doesn't explain

- doesn't prove why it is true.