5 Steps to an A* Vocabulary

1.	Use analytical verbs:	suggest, imply, describe, demonstrate,
		convey, seem
2.	Use modal verbs and adverbs to	V: might, could, may, should
	show tentativeness:	A: probably, perhaps
3.	Use pronouns and determiners	we/us/our
	that add authority rather than	(Avoid 'I' and 'me')
	personalise ideas:	
4.	Use occasional passive	it can be seen that, it might be thought, it
	constructions to add detachment:	could be argued
5.	Build a vocabulary that adds	See the word cloud below: 80 words you
	precision and subtlety to your	ought to know
	expressions:	

innate
amiable
appease extol wanton salient callous debase
cynical despot obtuse impudent cumulative perusal
plethora connive fabricate acquiesce hypocrisy
eloquent jubilant repudiate gratuitous complacency
deferentialinsatiable. obsequious
clandestine cajoleluridcircumspect rifeimpeccable
superfluousstaid sycophantic vociferousimplacableintrepid
impertinent aberration decrypenchant infamy
meticulous arcane implicitbrusque empathy
coherent candour coerce diligent gluttony empathy
coherent taciturn forsake oblivious myriad
furtive incisive chidederide quaintelated
brazen feral nuance morose
lithe

The secret of how to be a confident A* student ...

(Roll of drums)

Read a lot. That's it.

(Preferably read books, quality newspapers and magazines, which ideally contain fictional or non-fictional writing built around ideas and which demonstrate complexity, elegance and clarity). I can suggest starting-points if you like.