Exploring Different Learning Styles

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Print Interactive Aural Kinesthetic Visual Olfactory

Haptic

Print Learner Characteristics

Often takes notes

Remembers quickly and easily what is read

Learns better after seeing or writing something.

Grasps important concepts after one reading of material

Aural learner characteristics

Remembers and repeats ideas that are verbally presented

Is an excellent listener

Can learn concepts by listening to recordings

Can repeat or fulfill verbal directions

Enjoys music

Can reproduce symbols, letters or words after hearing them

Likes to talk

Enjoys plays, dialogues, dramas, etc

Visual learner characteristics

Learns by seeing and by watching demonstrations

Likes visual stimuli – pictures

Conjures up the image of a form by seeing it "in the mind's eye"

Often has a vivid imagination

Prefers visual arts and media

Haptic learner characteristics

(Haptic = of or relating to the sense of touch)

Likes the hands-on approach

Involves sense of touch in learning

Likes to piece things together

Often seen "fiddling" with something

Successful at tasks requiring manipulation

Interactive learner characteristics

Learns best through verbalization
Often hums/talks to self or others
Likes to use other people as a sounding board
Enjoys question/answer sessions
Finds small group discussions stimulating and informative

Kinesthetic Learner characteristics

Learns by doing/direct involvement
Not very attentive to visual or auditory presentations
Uses movement to help concentrate
Wants to be "doing" something
Like to manipulate objects
Uses gestures when speaking
Responds to music by physical movement
Often finds success in physical response activities

Olfactory learners characteristics

Learns best through senses of smell and taste Smells have special significance Associates particular smell with specific past memories Frequently able to identify smells

Sound generator components:

Chaney electronics kit C4164 and plastic box item #: C6364 at http://www.electronickitsbychaneyelectronics.com/

Mini toggle switch 16111SW from Marlin P Jones and Associates at http://www.mpja.com/