

What is your Student's Learning Style?

Here is one of many Assessment tools you can use to help you find your Student's Learning Style:

Why is your student's learning style important? Not only will it give you and teachers insight on how to support your student it also shines light on whether your student is in a compatible teacher's classroom.

Imagine you have a student that is Music Smart and hums in class when they are supposed to be working on a given assignment. The humming helps this student process new information but if the teacher does not know this about the student many times the student will receive negative attention from his/her teacher who might think the student is humming to gain attention from peers.

Or if your student is Body Smart and needs to move his or her body as they process new information. A simple adaption could be made either a "ball" chair or a standing desk, allow them to doodle, bounce their legs during a verbal lecture.

According to research there are at least 9 different types of intelligences or Learning styles we as humans use. (* Howard Gardner's Multiple Intelligence – Harvard).

We can have more than one of these intelligences or we can a a strength in one or two.

There are 9 different ways we take in, learn and process new information presented to us.

They are:

1. Word Smart - Linguistic
2. Number Smart – Mathematical/Logical
3. Body Smart – Body Kinesthetics
4. Music Smart – Musical
5. Self-Smart - Intrapersonal
6. Nature Smart – Naturalist
7. People Smart – Interpersonal
8. Picture smart – Spatial awareness
9. Logic Smart – Logical

On the following page is a tool to get you familiar with understanding this process and hopefully help you see a new way of supporting learning for your student. This tool can help you understand which of these learning styles below your student uses the most often to access and learn new information taught to them.

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Instructions: Read each statement on the following page. Choose of the five choices for each statement to show how well that statement describes your student.

REMEMBER There is no right or wrong answer, only informing answers. Have fun with the survey!

1.	Loves to write	YES	NO
2.	Loves to be in or take photos	YES	NO
3.	Loves to collect and grow plants/flowers	YES	NO
4.	Loves to keep track of the number of things	YES	NO
5.	Loves all kinds of weather	YES	NO
6.	Loves to talk about old/new ideas with others	YES	NO
7.	Loves to read when given a choice	YES	NO
8.	Loves to dance anywhere	YES	NO
9.	Loves to read Maps of all kinds	YES	NO
10.	Loves to discover patterns	YES	NO
11.	Loves to play fair	YES	NO
12.	Loves to solve mysteries	YES	NO
13.	Loves singing anywhere and anytime	YES	NO
14.	Loves to build with hands	YES	NO
15.	Loves to talk to self or others	YES	NO
16.	Loves rhymes	YES	NO
17.	Loves solitude	YES	NO
18.	Loves to feel different textures	YES	NO
19.	Loves to physically move anywhere and anytime	YES	NO
20.	Loves playing by him or herself	YES	NO
21.	Loves word games	YES	NO
22.	Loves helping animals/pets	YES	NO
23.	Loves to draw/doodle/paint	YES	NO
24.	Loves learning to be wise about any subject	YES	NO

Below you will find how you scored in each area. High numbers mean higher strengths in that intelligence area. Yes, you can have more than one!

<u>Music</u> 13, 16, 8	<u>Body</u> 14,18,19	<u>Nature</u> 3, 22, 4	<u>Word</u> 1, 7, 21
<u>Math</u> 4, 10, 12	<u>Self</u> 17, 20, 24	<u>People</u> 11, 6, 15	<u>Picture</u> 2, 4, 23