

Learning Styles & Strategies

VISUAL



Students with this strength can easily:

Recall what they see
Follow written or drawn instructions
Learn by observing

Enjoy/learn best by:

Using computer graphics;
performing visual puzzles;
looking at or designing maps,
charts, graphs

Learn to read best with:

Sight methods, dissimilar words, silent reading, words accompanied by pictures, slides or videos

AUDITORY



Students with this strength can easily:

Recall what they hear
Follow spoken instructions
Learn by listening and Speaking

Enjoy/learn best by:

Talking, interviewing, debating, participating on a panel, asking and answering questions, memorizing, making oral reports

Learn to read best with:

Phonics, choral reading, by listening to stories and recordings of books, discussing stories, reading orally

TACTILE



Students with this strength can easily:

Recall what they touch
Follow instructions they write or touch
Learn by touching or manipulating objects

Enjoy/learn best by:

Doodling, sketching, playing board games, building models, constructing dioramas and relief maps, writing, tracing

Learn to read best with:

Writing/tracing methods, playing games or reading instructions, then making Something

KINESTHETIC



Students with this strength can easily:

Recall their experiences
Follow instructions that they perform or rehearse
Learn by touching or manipulating objects

Enjoy/learn best by:

Playing floor games, assembling objects, building models, participating in fairs, setting up experiments, acting, role-playing, scavenger hunts

Learn to read best with:

Pantomiming, acting in plays, riding a stationary bike while listening to a book, recording and reading, reading instructions and then building/doing something

GLOBAL



Students with this strength can easily:

Make decisions based on emotions/intuition
Are spontaneous
Focus on creativity
Care less about tidiness

Enjoy/learn best by:

Information presented in an interesting or humorous story, examples, interesting materials, group work, and activities

Learn to read best with:

Holistic reading methods, such as recorded books, story writing, choral reading with books, computer software, audiovisual materials, projects and games

ANALYTIC



Students with this strength can easily:

Make decisions based on logic/common sense
Plan and organize well
Focus on details and facts
Like a tidy environment

Enjoy/learn best by:

Information presented in sequential steps, with rules and examples, structure materials, teacher-directed lessons, clear goals and requirements

Learn to read best with:

Phonics (if auditory), programmed materials, puzzles, some worksheets - reinforced by strategies appropriate for global learners