

# THE 7 STYLES OF LEARNING

## VISUAL (SPATIAL):

You prefer using pictures, images, and spatial understanding.

- Use images, pictures, color and other visual media to help you learn
- Use color, layout, and spatial organization in your associations, and use many 'visual words' in your assertions.
- Use mind maps
- Replace words with pictures, and use color to highlight major and minor links

## AURAL (AUDITORY-MUSICAL):

You prefer using sound and music.

- Use sound, rhyme, and music in your learning
- Use sound recordings to provide a background and help you get into visualizations
- When creating mnemonics or acrostics, make the most of rhythm and rhyme, or set them to a jingle or part of a song
- If you have some particular music or song that makes you want to 'take on the world,' play it back and anchor your emotions and state.

## VERBAL (LINGUISTIC):

You prefer using words, both in speech and writing.

- Try the techniques that involve speaking and writing
- Make the most of the word-based techniques such as assertions and scripting
- Record your scripts using a tape or digital audio recorder (such as an MP3 player), and use it later for reviews
- When you read content aloud, make it dramatic and varied
- Try working with others and using role-playing to learn verbal exchanges such as negotiations, sales or radio calls

## PHYSICAL (KINESTHETIC)

You prefer using your body, hands and sense of touch.

- Focus on the sensations you would expect in each scenario
- For assertions and scripting, describe the physical feelings of your actions.
- Use physical objects as much as possible
- Keep in mind as well that writing and drawing diagrams are physical activities
- Use role-playing, either singularly or with someone else, to practice skills and behaviors

## SOLITARY (INTRAPERSONAL):

You prefer to work alone and use self-study.

- You prefer to learn alone using self-study
- Align your goals and objectives with personal beliefs and values
- Create a personal interest in your topics
- When you associate and visualize, highlight what you would be thinking and feeling at the time
- You drive yourself by the way you see yourself internally
- Modeling is a powerful technique for you
- Be creative with role-playing
- Your thoughts have a large influence on your performance and often safety

## SOCIAL (INTERPERSONAL):

You prefer to learn in groups or with other people.

- Aim to work with others as much as possible
- Role-playing is a technique that works well with others, whether its one on one or with a group of people
- Work on some of your associations and visualizations with other people
- Try sharing your key assertions with others
- Working in groups to practice behaviors or procedures help you understand how to deal with variations

## LOGICAL (MATHEMATICAL)

You prefer using logic, reasoning and systems.

- Aim to understand the reasons behind your content and skills
- Create and use lists by extracting key points from your material
- Remember association often works well when it is illogical and irrational
- Highlight your ability to pick up systems and procedures easily
- Systems thinking helps you understand the bigger picture
- You may find it challenging to change existing behaviors or habits
- If you often focus from analysis paralysis, write 'Do It Now' in big letters on some signs or post-it notes



Sources:

<http://www.learning-styles-online.com/overview/>