

As a 'learner' I prefer...

A simple way of investigating your own learning style is through the following activity. Please read through the statements below and consider each in terms of 'how YOU prefer to learn'. For each statement please grade as follows; if the statement is:

- **'Most like you'** – score 4 points
- **'Least like you'** – score 1 point
- Then fill in your '2' and '3' responses. All numbers must be used (no 'ties').

1. I excel at:

- a. Making realistic decisions
- b. Reaching accurate conclusions
- c. Uncovering hidden connections
- d. Respecting people's feelings

2. For me, effective learning environments need to emphasise:

- a. Original thinking
- b. Logical reasoning and order
- c. Discussion and collaboration
- d. Problem-solving and experiments

3. I learn best by:

- a. Testing how things work
- b. Working in groups
- c. Self-discovery
- d. Reflecting and thinking

4. People would identify me as:

- a. Productive
- b. Creative
- c. Responsive
- d. logical

5. One of my strengths is:

- a. Reflective listening
- b. Enthusiasm
- c. Practicality
- d. Listening skills

6. When learning I enjoy:

- a. Exploring hidden possibilities
- b. Organising ideas
- c. Making personal connections
- d. Producing results

7. I strive for:

- a. Consensus
- b. Objectivity
- c. Efficiency
- d. Originality

8. Generally, I am:

- a. Nurturing
- b. Dependable
- c. Decisive
- d. Intuitive

9. I tend to be:

- a. Too impulsive
- b. Too impressionable
- c. Too eager for closure
- d. Too critical

10. Generally, I am:

- a. Co-operative
- b. Methodical
- c. Straight forward
- d. Free spirited

11. Learning environments should emphasise:

- a. Real problem solving
- b. Clarity of reasoning
- c. Connections to personal meaning
- d. Adaptability to change

12. I am most comfortable with people who are:

- a. Supportive
- b. Unique
- c. Productive
- d. Informed

13. I have most difficulty with people who are:

- a. Rule bound
- b. Disorganised
- c. Emotional
- d. Impersonal

14. Generally, I am:

- a. Studios
- b. Caring
- c. Down-to-Earth
- d. Innovative

15. I would prefer to:

- a. Make the world a happier place
- b. Acquire knowledge
- c. Solve practical problems
- d. Create new ways of doing things.



Write down your scores and matching 'colour' for each quadrant:

	Score	Type / Colour
Highest score		
Second highest score		
Third highest score		
Lowest score		

Legend: Red (type 1); Blue (type 2); Green (type 3); Yellow (type 4) – the lecture discusses the traits of each learner type in detail.