

Vocabulary

<https://ello.org/english/1201/1218-Todd-Learner.htm>

kinesthetic

I guess maybe I'm a kinesthetic learner.

Something 'kinesthetic' involves movement, so a kinesthetic learner learns through movement. Notice the following:



1. This museum uses a kinesthetic approach to teaching kids about science.
2. The class involves a lot of kinesthetics.

whereas

I learned how to do everything for web design just by moving the mouse, whereas reading from a book, I just couldn't learn it that way.



You can use 'whereas' to introduce a second topic that is opposite the first topic. Notice the following:

1. My father is very tall, whereas my mother is short.
2. Here is too hot, whereas where I'm from is too cold.

auditory learner

I guess I would be an oral learner or an auditory learner.

An 'auditory learner' would be a person who learns through listening. Notice the following:



1. He is an amazing auditory listener, and he remembers everything.
2. I have never been a very good auditory listener.

visual input

I need a visual input to remember things.

'Visual input' are things that you can see. They are visual images that your brain can process. Notice the following:



1. It's important to write important concepts on the board to give students a visual input during class.
2. We would like to have more visual input during the presentation to keep people interested.

stores

I need a visual input for it to go into the part of my brain where it stores.

Here, where something is 'stored' is where it is saved. Notice the following:



1. Here is where we store all the extra cleaning supplies.
2. Where do you store your empty suitcases?

Vocabulary Quiz

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1. You will have some students who really like using the book, ___ others will hate it.
2. When teaching children, it helps to use ___ activities.
3. You must include activities for both ___ and visual learners.
4. I have all my photographs ___ on this external disc.
5. A visual ___ will help get people interested.

Learn Types Part 2

Julia from the UK and Todd, from the USA, continue talking about learner types and Todd guesses the type of learn he is.

Julia: And how about you? What kind of learner are you?

Todd: Well I guess I'm maybe kinesthetic, that's movement, right, or doing things with your hands.

Julia: Yeah, I think so or even your whole body?

Todd: I don't know. Is kinesthetic using your hands or is it your whole body? Or does it matter?

Julia: I'm not sure it matters. Perhaps there's two different types. I know there's something called TPR when we teach English, total physical response.

Todd: Right. So that would be *kinesthetic*?

Julia: That's maybe kinesthetic, that's where you give an instruction and the student performs the task and they use the whole body in that case but it can just be your hands or a body part. I think it's both.

Todd: Yes, I think so, yeah. Yes, I mean, so basically if I do it like if I somehow have to make it or if I'm moving, I definitely think I learn better. You know, I learned how to do everything for web design and stuff like that by I think just moving the mouse, click here, click there, type here, type there, *whereas* like reading it from a book I just, you know, I couldn't learn it that way. So maybe, maybe, I'm kind of that way. The same with cooking, you know, like I have to do it. If I don't do it I'm not going to remember it. I just can't read a recipe and cook. So I think maybe the other thing I would be, would be, I guess would be an aural learner or *auditory learner*. So basically through hearing.

Julia: My husband's the same, yeah.

Todd: Yeah.

Julia: He can hear a sentence, hear a new word, and remember it just from his ears.

Todd: Really?

Julia: Yeah.

Todd: That's good.

Julia: That's very good, yeah.

Todd: Like I love podcasts and I love hearing things, that's probably why I have this website. I don't like reading too much. I do read and I actually don't even like watching TV very much. I don't like watching movies very much.

Julia: Really?

Todd: No. I would actually much rather listen to a radio program, a good podcast, than watch a movie.

Julia: You see when I listen to a podcast...

Todd: While I'm walking.

Julia: There you go, definitely kinesthetic. If I listen to a podcast, I get a little bit frustrated that I can't see the people speaking.

Todd: Really?

Julia: It frustrates me a little bit that I can't see the faces when they're talking, when I don't know what they look like.

Todd: Oh, I never even thought of that. Yeah, I just don't even care.

Julia: I need to, I need *visual input* in order for it to, I don't know, go into that part of my brain where it stays, where it *stores* maybe.

Todd: So we're definitely two different types of learners?

Julia: Absolutely, yes.

Quiz

Answer the following questions about the interview.

1) Todd likes to learn with his ____.

a) body

b) hands

c) eyes

d) mouth

2) Kinesthetic learning involves _____.

- a) reading
- b) writing
- c) moving**
- d) listening

3) Todd prefers to learn through _____.

- a) reading
- b) studying
- c) doing**
- d) watching

4) Todd prefers _____.

- a) Podcasts**
- b) TV shows
- c) movies
- d) books

5) Julia gets frustrated when she can't ____ the speakers.

- a) hear
- b) see**
- c) repeat
- d) understand