A Closer View on Learning Styles

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Everybody would agree that learning takes place in different styles. Due to individual difference, students have different learning styles. In reality, learning styles are broken down into three categories: visual, auditory and kinesthetic. In many situations, students often have problems grasping the concept of something they are being taught or are trying to learn. This has something to do with their learning style. Teachers need to understand these styles to provide learning that is most comfortable to their pupils.

Visual learners usually need to see the process of a concept before they can really understand how or why it works. A person who has this style is someone who understands a concept through the use of visual aids such as pictures, diagrams or videos. They also learn by observing body language.

Auditory learners grasp thing easier when they are explained verbally and when they get a chance to talk things out. They learn better listening to lectures, discussions and listening to tone and pitch.

Kinesthetic learners understand ideas better when they are fully involved and are actually performing the task or concept. They grasp concepts with hands on style of learning as kinesthetic.

Identifying learning styles is vital in the teaching and learning process. Teachers may use this as a basis for the strategies that they will utilize in promoting optimum development of the learners.