

8 Great Smarts: An Overview of Multiple Intelligences

	think with	when excited	enjoy/need/learning/studying/teaching	good	harm
word	words	talk	reading, writing, telling stories, talking about their day, variety of books, variety of paper, many things to write with, read out loud, be expressive, listen to someone read, retype/recopy notes, read books related to topic that may be easier, meaningful discussions, journaling, choral reading, etc.	encourage, listen intently, teach, use positive self-talk	discourage, gossip, tease, impress with words
logic	questions	ask more questions	learning, researching, school, math, science, data, answering questions, experimenting, discovering, investigating, predicting, reasons, use numbers in all subjects, time to explore things, something worth thinking about, intellectual challenges, non-fiction, want things that make sense	invent, solve problems, curious, counseling	create problems, argue, test authority
picture	pictures	add to their pictures	drawing, art, designing, visualizing, doodling, imagining, creating, watching, demonstrations, displays, descriptive words, fiction, history, creative writing, photography, add color to charts, ask if something (e.g., spelling word) looks right, mind mapping, maps, dioramas, beauty, humor	create beauty, design, help decorate, make displays	judge a book by its cover, distracted by what is seen
music	rhythms and melodies	make music	playing a musical instrument, singing, enjoying music, going to concerts, rapping, rhyming poetry, listening, jingles, humming, whistling, dancing, use rhythms and melodies to learn things (e.g., Mississippi, the ABC song), tapping feet, clapping math facts, whisper silent h	enjoy music from cultures, use it to calm down, perform	idolize music/musicians, makes noise, wrong music
body	movement and touch	move/touch more	moving, touching, action, dancing, playing sports, doing crafts, hands are busy, coordinated, good dexterity and flexibility, acting, drama, charades, demonstrations, field trips, hands-on manipulatives, puppetry, cooking, construct and build, sky writing, clapping math facts, pacing w/clipboard	develop talent, chores and service	punching, wrestling, moving too much
nature	patterns	go outside	outside, plants, trees, animals, rocks, clouds, dirt, water, collecting things, based on patterns, comparing, categorizing, study outside, relate topics to nature (e.g., tracking of Native Americans), sciences that relate to nature (e.g., biology, earth science), pets, time outside	care about environment, take care of animals/plants	distracted by animals, animal cruelty
people	other people	talk to people	people, studying/learning with people, brainstorming, group work, friends, mentors, questions/answers, freedom to think and question, someone to interact with, leading, teaching, organizing, relating, mediating, partying, enthusiasm, reading people well and responding well, role plays, persuades	many friends, motivates, counsels, build consensus	gets into trouble if ignored, manipulates
self	reflection	spend time alone	time alone, choices, freedom, own opinions, privacy, space, peace, secrets, time to think deeply, time to explain their ideas, studying alone, self-paced projects, connect topics to personal lives, they know themselves well, produces original and unique work, diaries and journaling, goal setting	disciplined, happy alone, know what they know	opinionated, unteachable, doesn't share, self-centered

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