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English Ideas for the Various Intelligences

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mariana st. paul writes:

As English teachers we have to be creative and try to teach to the various learning styles of our students. Here are a few things that you can do to hit some of the different learning intelligences.

Verbal/Linguistic

share ideas, discuss or debate, explain a concept, give a speech, compare and contrast, create a slogan, do creative writing, do descriptive writing, keep a journal or a diary, write a biography, write a book report, write a letter, write a narrative, write a play or skit, write instructions

Bodily/Kinesthetic

act out a role, act out a word, put together a puzzle, perform a skit or a play, play charades

Visual/Spatial

make a mobile, make a poster, make puppets, fantasize or visualize, imagine or pretend, take photographs, create a collage or montage, design a brochure or a logo, design postcards or stamps, draw a scene from a story, illustrate a book

Interpersonal

debate an issue, discuss with a partner, do a team presentation, interview each other, paraphrase each other, practice active listening, practice constructive criticism, write a cooperative paper or report, solve real or simulated

Musical/Rhythmic

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responding to your comment
Good luck with your school y
and don't hesitate to post a
message!

write a song or a poem or a jingle, listen to music of different times, genres or cultures, change the words to a song, jingle or rap, interpret lyrical meanings, write a song including facts about a topic

Intrapersonal

read silently, observe mood changes, describe feelings about a certain topic or situation, record and analyze dreams, write about actions, write an autobiography, write about wants or needs, write personal poetry, respond to hypothetical/ethical dilemmas, write an ethical code of conduct

It's hard trying to vary your teaching style to fit the needs of all of your students, but it's definitely worth the effort. They learn in different ways so we have to remember to teach in different ways also. Besides, it makes our job more enjoyable and that's half the battle! 🍌

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