

As former students, we parents and teachers can recognize that we all have different optimal learning styles. While some of us may be better solving a problem by listening to directions, others may find it easier to solve a problem by watching a video and copying the procedure.

Theoretically, there are 3 main types of learning: visual learning, auditory learning, and tactile learning. Visual learning generally includes things like pictures, drawings, and shapes. Auditory learning includes things like listening, sound patterns, and tone. While tactile learning includes things like touching, object manipulation, and body movements.

Visual Learning Tips:

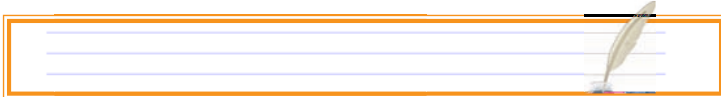
- Use picture cards instead of written flash cards to help studying.
- Find supplemental online videos to help with heavy texts.
- Draw out math problems with familiar objects.
- *Use Youtube often!*

Auditory Learning Tips:

- Allow students to record lectures for future playback
- Take turns reading books aloud and quiz students after each page.
- Have students record their ideas before typing a paper.
- *Use QuickTime as a recording device* <http://www.mactip.net/how-to-record-sound-on-a-mac/>

Tactile Learning Tips:

- Have students demonstrate the lesson by acting it out.
- Use labs to allow students to be active participants in learning material.
- Utilize models to let students physically inspect what they're discussing in class.
- *Utilize museums!*



If something is _____ it is extremely hot. The pipes that amplified the sound of the old pipe organs found in cathedrals and large churches would hiss in the same way as water does when it steams. When something was 'pipe hot' it was known to be boiling or steaming. The phrase was first recorded during the 1300s and can be found first in Chaucer's 'Canterbury Tales' when he wrote, 'Wafers piping hot out of the gleeed'. A wafer is a kind of thin cake, baked between wafer-irons, and 'gleed' is the hot coals of a fire.

