## The VARK Questionnaire (Version 7.8)

## **How Do I Learn Best?**

Choose the answer which best explains your preference and circle the letter(s) next to it. **Please circle more than one** if a single answer does not match your perception.

Leave blank any question that does not apply.

- 1. You are helping someone who wants to go to your airport, the center of town or railway station. You would:
  - V. draw, or show her a map, or give her a map.
  - A. tell her the directions.
  - R. write down the directions.
  - K. go with her.
- 2. A website has a video showing how to make a special graph. There is a person speaking, some lists and words describing what to do and some diagrams. You would learn most from:
  - V. seeing the diagrams.
  - A. listening.
  - R. reading the words.
  - K. watching the actions.
- 3. You are planning a vacation or long holiday for a group. You want some feedback from them about the plan. You would:
  - V. use a map to show them the places.
  - A. phone, text or email them.
  - R. give them a copy of the printed itinerary.
  - K. describe some of the highlights they will experience.
- 4. You are going to cook something as a special treat. You would:
  - V. look on the Internet or in some cookbooks for ideas from the pictures.
  - A. ask friends for suggestions.
  - R. use a recipe.
  - K. cook something you know without the need for instructions.
- 5. Some visitors want to learn about the parks or wildlife reserves in your area. You would:
  - V. show them maps and internet pictures.
  - A. talk about, or arrange a talk for them about parks or wildlife reserves.
  - R. give them a book or pamphlets about the parks or wildlife reserves.
  - K take them to a park or wildlife reserve and walk with them.
- 6. You are about to buy a mobile phone. Other than price, what would most influence your decision?
  - V. It is a modern design and looks good.
  - A. The salesperson telling me about its features.
  - R. Reading the details or about its features.
  - K. Trying or testing it.
- 7. Remember a time when you learned how to do something new. Avoid choosing a physical skill, e.g. riding a bike. You learned best by:
  - V. diagrams, maps, and charts visual clues.
  - A. listening to somebody explaining it and asking questions.
  - R. written instructions e.g. a manual or book.
  - K. watching a demonstration or an example.
- 8. You have a problem with your heart. You would prefer that the doctor:
  - V. showed you a diagram of what was wrong.
  - A. described what was wrong.
  - R. gave you a something to read to explain what was wrong.
  - K. used a plastic model to show what was wrong.

- 9. You want to learn a new program, skill or game on a computer. You would:
  - V. follow the diagrams in the book that came with it.
  - A. talk with people who know about the program.
  - R. read the written instructions that came with the program.
  - K. watch a demonstration or use the keyboard or joystick to try it.
- 10. You like websites that have:
  - V. interesting design and visual features.
  - A. audio channels where I can hear music, radio programs or interviews.
  - R. interesting written descriptions, lists and explanations.
  - K. things you can click on, watch, move or try.
- 11. Other than price, what would most influence your decision to buy a new non-fiction book?
  - V. Flick through the pages.
  - A. A friend talks about it and recommends it.
  - R. Reading some of it.
  - K. It has real-life stories, experiences and examples.
- 12. You are using a book, instructions or a website to learn how to use a new device or appliance. You would like to:
  - V. have diagrams showing how to use it.
  - A. have a chance to ask questions and talk about how to use it.
  - R. have clear, written instructions with lists and bullet points about how to use it.
  - K. try the different settings and features.
- 13. Do you prefer teachers, presenters or coaches who use:
  - V. diagrams, charts or graphs.
  - A. group discussion, question and answer and talk.
  - R. handouts, books, or readings.
  - K. demonstrations, models or practical sessions.
- 14. You have finished a performance, game, competition or test and would like some feedback. You would like to have feedback:
  - V. using graphs, diagrams and illustrations of your results.
  - A. from somebody who talks about your results.
  - R. using a written description of your results.
  - K. using examples from what you have done.
- 15. You are going to choose food at a restaurant or cafe. You would:
  - V. look at what others are eating or look at pictures of each dish.
  - A. listen to the waiter or ask others to recommend choices.
  - R. choose from the descriptions in the menu.
  - K. choose something that you have had there before.
- 16. You have to make an important speech at a conference or special occasion. You would:
  - V. use diagrams, charts and illustrations to explain different points.
  - A. write a few key words and practice saying your speech over and over.
  - R. write out your speech and learn from reading it over several times.
  - K. use examples, photos and stories to make the talk real and practical.

**Totals:** please add up the number of answers with V, then A, then R and finally K.

	V= Visual	A= Aural	R = Read/write	K= Kinesthetic
Totals				
Name:				