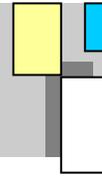


Paragon Learning Style Inventory

A Window into Learning Style and Cognitive Preference
Student Version



Directions: Please answer the following questions as carefully, honestly and quickly as possible, and remember there are no right answers, only your best answers.

Place your answers horizontally on the answer sheet provided

- 1. When you come to a new situation you usually**
 - a. try it right away, and learn from doing
 - b. like to watch first and try it later
- 2. Do you think people should be more**
 - a. sensible and practical
 - b. imaginative and inspired
- 3. When you come to an uncertain situation**
 - a. you usually trust your feelings more
 - b. you usually trust your thinking more
- 4. Would you say you are**
 - a. a little more serious
 - b. a little more easy-going
- 5. Do you spend most of your time**
 - a. often in bigger groups and seldom alone
 - b. in smaller groups or alone
- 6. It is better to**
 - a. be able to accept things
 - b. want to change things
- 7. Is it worse to do**
 - a. mean things
 - b. unfair things
- 8. Do you prefer when things are**
 - a. planned and structured
 - b. spontaneous and unplanned
- 9. After a day spent with a lot of people do you**
 - a. feel energized and stimulated
 - b. feel drained and like being alone
- 10. When you need to get something important done, you prefer to**
 - a. do it the way that has worked before
 - b. do it a new way that you just thought of
- 11. Which is a bigger compliment?**
 - a. "he/she is really nice"
 - b. "he/she is really smart"
- 12. When it comes to time, are you more likely to**
 - a. usually be on time
 - b. be pretty flexible
- 13. When you are in a group do you usually**
 - a. do a lot of the talking
 - b. mostly listen and talk a little
- 14. Are you more interested in**
 - a. what really is
 - b. what can be

- 15. When you look at two things, you mostly notice**
- how they are the same
 - how they are different
- 16. Do you tend to get along better with**
- people who are a lot like you
 - lots of different types of people
- 17. Most other people seem to see you as**
- kind of out-going
 - kind of shy and reserved
- 18. When it comes to work that is very exact or detailed**
- it comes pretty easily to you
 - you tend to lose interest in it quickly
- 19. When your friends disagree, it is more important**
- to help them agree and come together
 - to help them come to the right answer
- 20. When you get-up in the morning**
- you know pretty much how your day will go
 - it seems every day is pretty different
- 21. When it comes to using the phone**
- you use it a lot and make most of the calls
 - you use it most when others call you
- 22. When you work on group projects, do you prefer**
- helping make sure the project gets done and works
 - helping come up with the ideas and plans
- 23. Others often describe you as a**
- warm-hearted person
 - cool-headed person
- 24. Which is more your way**
- to "do the right thing"
 - to "just do it"
- 25. When you talk to strangers you've just met you**
- talk pretty easily and at length
 - run out of things to say pretty quickly
- 26. When it comes to work you**
- prefer steady effort and a regular routine
 - work in spurts, really "on" then really "off"
- 27. Is it worse to be**
- too critical
 - too emotional
- 28. Would you rather have things**
- finished and decided
 - open to change
- 29. When it comes to news at school, you seem**
- to find it out quickly
 - to be one of the last to know
- 30. Are you more likely to trust**
- your experience
 - your hunches
- 31. I prefer teachers who are more**
- caring and supportive
 - knowledgeable and expect a lot

- 32. Is it more your way to**
a. finish one project before you start a new one
b. have lots of projects going at once
- 33. Which is more true of you? do you**
a. too often act and talk without thinking much first
b. spend too much time thinking and not enough doing
- 34. Games would be more fair if kids**
a. would just follow the rules
b. would just use "good sportsmanship"
- 35. Is it usually easier for you to tell**
a. how someone else is feeling
b. what someone else is thinking
- 36. Which is the more useful ability**
a. to be able to organize and plan
b. to be able to adapt and make do
- 37. At a party or gathering**
a. you do more of the introducing of others
b. others introduce you more
- 38. Do you think more about**
a. what is going on right now
b. what will happen in the future
- 39. It is more your way to**
a. usually show what you are feeling
b. usually not show your feelings
- 40. You are the kind of person who**
a. needs to have things a certain way
b. does it any old way
- 41. When you get done with an assignment**
a. you feel like showing it to someone
b. you like to keep it to yourself
- 42. Things would be better if people were**
a. more realistic
b. more imaginative
- 43. Would you say you are more concerned with**
a. being appreciated by others
b. achieving something important
- 44. It is better that people**
a. know what they want
b. keep an open-mind
- 45. Friday night after a long week you usually**
a. feel like going to a party or going out
b. feel like renting a movie or relaxing
- 46. When you do a job, it's usually your approach to**
a. start from the beginning, and go step-by-step
b. start anywhere, and figure it out as you go
- 47. When you tell a story, you mostly talk about**
a. how the people involved were affected
b. what went on in general

48. You feel most comfortable when things are more

- a. planned and you know what to expect
- b. unplanned and flexible

49. Most people describe you as more

- a. energetic and talkative
- b. calm and a good listener

50. When you are asked to make up a story

- a. You tend to use people and places that you already know
- b. It is pretty easy for you to come up with original ideas

51. When you get in an argument, you usually feel

- a. kind of bad because feelings get hurt
- b. like sometimes it is important to stick to your position

52. For most tasks you do everyday

- a. you find a system that you use pretty consistently
- b. you often try different ways of doing them