



AURAL STRATEGIES

KEYWORDS: listening, talking, discussing, questioning.

People with an AURAL preference like:

Listening:

- to people with authority or knowledge
- to podcasts, videos, and audiobooks
- to interesting SPOKEN examples, anecdotes, and jokes
- to VERBAL instructions
- to verbal feedback
- to their own SELF-TALK

Talking:

- putting forward their POINT OF VIEW
- using their VOICE in different ways for emphasis
- EXPLAINING their understanding to others
- recording their voice

Discussing:

- talking things over and BRAINSTORMING ideas
- QUESTIONING, arguing, and debating
- commenting on the ideas or opinions of others
- joining and contributing to DISCUSSIONS – in person, or online
- using their phone to have CONVERSATIONS



IN A NUTSHELL: The written word is not as meaningful as the words you HEAR. You will want to DISCUSS this with someone.

Using AURAL STRATEGIES in:

EDUCATION

- Attend classes, discussions, and tutorials.
- Leave spaces in your notes for later recall and 'filling' with details you may have missed.
- Explain your notes and new ideas to another person.
- Reduce 3 pages of your notes to 1.
- Read aloud your summarized notes; record and listen to them.
- Ask questions and discuss topics with your teachers and other students.
- Obtain feedback about your understanding by listening to comments from others.
- Use rhymes and mnemonics to remember concepts.
- Practice previous exam papers and speak your answers aloud.
- Imagine talking with the examiner.

The WORKPLACE

- Listen to and ask questions of consultants, facilitators, leaders, and experts.
- Participate in discussions, focus groups, workshops, meetings, and other information-sharing opportunities.
- Join colleagues for coffee breaks and informal conversations.
- Join online chats and listen to podcasts about your area of expertise.
- Attend live training sessions where you can present any findings and report back orally.
- Speak from your written notes and allow for colleagues' questions and feedback.
- Use your voice in different ways to emphasize your points.
- Argue a point of view and refine your ideas by listening to the views of others.

“When people talk, listen completely.”

~ Ernest Hemingway