Understanding Learning Styles

Group Activity

**This exercise is intended for groups of 6 or more people.**

Before you begin…Review the learning styles (auditory, visual, kinesthetic) with the group.

Provide some examples of each to ensure that all group members understand each learning style.

Next, divide the group into 3 subgroups, assigning each group a learning style.

Provide the ‘lyrics’ to the nursery rhyme ‘Three Blind Mice’ to each group

Three Blind Mice

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See how they run,

See how they run,

They all ran after

The farmer’s wife

She cut off their tails

With a carving knife

Did you ever see

Such a sight in your life

As three blind mice?

Allow 10 minutes for the groups to develop a creative way to teach the rhyme to the large group using their assigned learning style. Instruct groups that they will have up to 2 minutes to ‘perform’ their demonstration. Encourage creative expression in this exercise.

After 10 minutes, bring groups together and have each group perform the rhyme in their assigned style. Following each performance, take a few moments to provide feedback and debrief with the audience. Ask the group to describe what elements were used to illustrate this learning style?

Following the last performance, take a few moments to debrief and process the differences in all performances, and use of different elements to reach different learning styles. What did participants learn about learning styles as a result of the exercise?