# TEACHING AND LEARNING STYLES MADE SIMPLE

## **Section 1: Discover Your Teaching Style**

Answer the questions below to identify your teaching style. Circle or check the answer that resonates most with you.

- How do you prefer to plan lessons?
  - A. I love detailed schedules and lesson plans.
  - B. I prefer to adapt as I go, following my child's lead.
  - C. I like a mix of structure and flexibility.
- What do you enjoy most about teaching?
  - A. Explaining concepts clearly and seeing progress.
  - B. Creating fun, hands-on activities.
  - C. Reading stories and discussing big ideas.
- 3 Which resources appeal to you the most?
  - A. Textbooks and workbooks.
  - B. Projects, experiments, and creative materials.
  - C. Literature, videos, and discussion prompts.

## **Teaching Style Results:**

- Mostly A: The Planner
- Mostly B: The Hands-On Teacher
- Mostly C: The Storyteller
- Mixed Answers: You're a flexible blend of styles!

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## Section 2: Identify Your Child's Learning Style

Observe how your child naturally engages with the world. Check all statements that apply to them.

- 1 Your child learns best when they can:
  - \_\_\_ See diagrams, pictures, or videos. (Visual Learner)
  - \_\_\_ Listen to explanations or stories. (Auditory Learner)
  - \_\_\_ Build, create, or move. (Kinesthetic Learner)
  - \_\_\_ Read and write about topics. (Reading/Writing Learner)
- 2 Your child prefers to:
  - \_\_\_ Watch a demonstration before trying something new.
  - \_\_\_ Ask questions and discuss ideas.
  - \_\_\_ Jump in and figure it out as they go.
  - \_\_\_ Take notes or research independently.
- 3 When learning, your child enjoys:
  - \_\_\_ Watching videos, looking at charts, or drawing.
  - \_\_\_ Listening to audiobooks or having discussions.
  - \_\_\_ Using hands-on materials or participating in activities.
  - \_\_\_ Writing, journaling, or reading books.

## **Learning Style Results:**

- Most checks in Visual: Visual Learner
- Most checks in Auditory: Auditory Learner
- Most checks in Kinesthetic: Kinesthetic Learner
- Most checks in Reading/Writing: Reading/Writing Learner

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## **Section 3: Aligning Styles**

My Teaching Style:

Use this section to brainstorm ways to combine your teaching style with your child's learning style.

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My Child's Learning Style:
Ideas for Alignment:
<ul> <li>Example:         <ul> <li>If I'm a Planner and my child is a Kinesthetic Learner, I'll include structured hands-on projects in our schedule</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
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You're doing an amazing job! By understanding your strengths and your child's needs, you're creating a homeschool environment where both of you can thrive.

# MORE RESOURCES FOR EXPLORING TEACHING AND LEARNING STYLES

Finding the right tools and information is key to building a successful homeschool. Below are curated resources to help you better understand teaching and learning styles and find curricula tailored to your family's needs.

## **Homeschool-Specific Resources**

- Homeschool On: The Learning Style Quiz.
   A quick quiz to identify your child's learning style with suggestions for homeschool curriculum tailored to their needs.
- Simple Homeschool: Understanding Your Child's Learning Style
   A detailed guide for homeschoolers to match their child's
   learning style with effective homeschooling methods.
- <u>Cathy Duffy Reviews: Learning Styles Questionnaire</u>.
   Use this questionnaire to assess your child's learning preferences and find curriculum reviews tailored to their style.
- <u>Tina's Dynamic Homeschool Plus:</u>
   Curriculum by Learning Style. A comprehensive list of homeschool curricula organized by learning styles, making it easier to find the perfect fit for your child

# MORE RESOURCES FOR EXPLORING TEACHING AND LEARNING STYLES

## **Additional Resources for Homeschool Success**

- Five Flavors of Homeschooling Video
   Learn about the five major homeschool approaches:
   traditional, classical, Charlotte Mason, unit studies, and unschooling.
- Homelife Academy High School Planning Tools.
   Guidance and resources for planning high school, including goal-based planning and downloadable forms.