

8 TYPES OF INTELLIGENCE

The word 'intelligence' is often described as our potential to absorb, process and analyze information presented to us. It can be measured using the most common method knows to us i.e. IQ tests.

However, scientists and psychologists have long argued that there cannot be a definitive method of measuring intelligence, simply because there are various kinds of intelligence.

This theory was proposed by Harvard psychologist Howard Gardner in his 1983 book 'Frames of Mind: The Theory of Multiple Intelligences'. He outlined the existence of 8 different types of intelligences as follows:





VISUAL-SPATIAL

Good at visualizing and judgement. Do well with maps, puzzles and charts

Eg: architects, engineers



LINGUISTIC-VERBAL

Able to use words very effectively and are good at writing, orating and memorizing

Eg: writers, lawyers



MISICA

Sharp understanding of sounds and rhythms. They are good are music composition and playing instruments

Eg: singers. musicians



BODILY-KINESTHETIC

Good at body movement and physical control. Have good hand-eye coordination and are dexterous

Eg: dancers, gymnasts



LOGICAL-MATHEMATICAL

Good at reasoning, logic, analyzing problems and have excellent problemsolving skills

Eg: mathematicians



INTERPERSONAL

Good at understanding and analyzing people's feelings and emotions. They are also good at human interaction

Eg: salespeople



INTRAPERSONAL

Good at analyzing their own emotional states and desires. They are good at relationship with their inner self and love to explore their own strengths and weaknesses

Eg: therapists, scientists



NATURALISTIC

Good at being more in tune with the environment and nature, learning about and nurturing flora and fauna

Eg: biologists, farmers