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**S&P #1**

**Ranking Your Senses**

*“What if you had no sense of touch? Can you predict two specific difficulties that might result? Would you be able to walk? Would you be able to feel pain? What if you could not feel pain?”*

**Directions:** Please respond to the following as honestly as you can**…**

1. If you could keep only one of your senses, which would it be?
2. If you had to give away one of your senses, which would it be?

Rank the following, #1 being most important to you, down to the least important at #5. Then offer a word or two about your reasoning.

\* Hearing                                      **#1-**

\* Taste                                         **#2-**

\* Smell                                         **#3-**

\* Touch                                   **#4-**

\* Vision           **#5-**

**Your reasoning:**

Most people know about the five senses, but actually there are **seven**, if we count “the body senses”:

\* The Vestibular Sense - your sense of whole body balance and equilibrium (governed mostly in the semicircular canals in the inner ear, but also in the Cerebellum, in the oldest part of the brain)

\* The Kinesthetic Sense - your sense of body part position and movement (the receptors for this are all over the skin)

**Does learning about these two influence your rankings? How would you now rank all seven senses?**