Welcome to our short experiment

Thank you for participating. As a participant you will presented with the option to be entered into a draw to win one of two 15€ amazon gift vouchers.

About the study

RESEARCH TEAM: This study is being led by Professor Brian Mac Namee from the School of Computer Science, University College Dublin. Also, the study is designed and conducted by Dr Ivan Bacher from ADAPT Research Centre and Jinghui Lu from School of Computer Science, UCD. Our contact details are included at the end of this document.

WHAT ARE THE OBJECTIVES OF THIS STUDY? The purpose of the study is to assess the proposed approach for helping human's reading more easily.

WHAT WILL HAPPEN IF I VOLUNTEER? Your participation is entirely voluntary. If you agree to participate, you will be invited to read 20 product/movie reviews from Amazon and Rotten Tomatoes and answer a series of questions. The answers will be recorded to facilitate analysis. You will not be asked about any specific personal information.

CONFIDENTIALITY: The participation is entirely anonymous and all information collected as part of the study will be stored securely on password protected computers.

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OR RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH THE STUDY? While there will be no direct benefit to you from the study, the findings have the potential to make a contribution to our understanding of the effectiveness of the proposed approach. As such, the findings from this study will be presented at university level and at national and international conferences. The findings will also be submitted for publication in peer-reviewed journals. However no individual participant will be identified in any publication or presentation and only anonymised quotes will be used in these reports and publications. There are no known risks associated with participation.

RIGHT TO WITHDRAW: You can decide to withdraw from the study at any point prior to the transcripts being anonymised without any consequence. You can contact the researchers to request this.

HOW WILL MY INFORMATION BE USED? Your views will be combined those of others and used to develop an understanding of the proposed approach. In addition to informing this study we plan to maximise the learning from your involvement by archiving an anonymised version of the data for future research on this topic. Once the data have been anonymised it will not be possible to withdraw from the study.

FURTHER INFORMATION & CONTACT DETAILS: If you have any further questions about the research or would like information on the findings, you can contact Jinghui Lu by jinghui.lu@ucdconnect.ie.

NEXT STEPS: If you are willing to take part in the study we would ask you to please fill the consent form in the next page.

Participant Consent Form

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By ticking the box below you are indicating your agreement with the following statements:

- I have read and understood the Participant Information for this study.
- I have had the opportunity to ask questions and discuss the study.
- I have received satisfactory answers to all my questions, where I have had a query.
- I have received enough information about this study.
- I understand that the answers will be recorded.
- I understand I am free to withdraw from the study at any time until the transcripts are anonymised.
- I agree to take part in the study.

CONTACT DETAILS: You can contact Jinghui Lu at jinghui.lu@ucdconnect.ie

 \Box I have read the study information and the consent form and I agree to participate in the study