To ensure that we are fulfilling our responsibility to educate students about psychological research, please answer these questions. **Your responses do not affect your credits – these are just to ensure that we are briefing and debriefing you properly.**

**1.** What do you think we were trying to study in this experiment?

**You may circle more than one answer.**

a) Effects of video games on aggression

b) Relationships between game skill and persuasive skill

c) Whether video games affect your ability to focus attention

d) Whether experienced gamers are more or less polite than non-gamers

e) Relationship between hormones and game skill

**2.** Was there any part of the experiment that seemed suspicious or strange?

**You may circle more than one answer.**

a) The hand scan

b) The essay topic

c) My partner’s essay

d) The game I played

e) The way my game progress was logged

f) Judging each others’ essays

g) Assigning each other’s distraction period

h) The distraction computer task

Why do you think we asked you to assign each others’ amount of distraction?

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Do you expect that the game you played affected the amount of distraction time you set?

Yes / No / Maybe

Would it surprise you to know that you never actually traded essays with another participant?

Yes / No / Maybe

In this study, we were interested in seeing whether finger length, game violence, and game difficulty affect or do not affect aggression. Our measure of aggression is the amount of distraction people assign to somebody who insulted them.

Please indicate how much you suspected the distraction assignment was actually a measure of aggression:

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| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| I had no idea | I was a little suspicious | I was very suspicious | I was almost certain | I knew it right away |