

Participant Consent

Perception of Marathi laryngeal stops by English listeners (Study #20200469)

Who is conducting the study?

- The principal investigator (PI), Luca Cavasso
- Dr. Henny Yeung, faculty supervisor
- Elise McClay, lab manager
- Gloriane Jue, undergraduate research assistant

Other research assistants in the Language Learning and Development Lab may contribute to the study, but will not be able to access personally identifying data (i.e. your prolific worker ID). Questions about this study's design or procedures can be sent to lcavasso@sfu.ca.

Who is funding this study?

This study is funded by a President's Research Start-Up Grant awarded to Henny Yeung by SFU.

Who can you contact with ethical concerns?

Concerns and/or complaints should be directed to Dr. Jeff Toward, Director, Office of Research Ethics (jtoward@sfu.ca, or 778-782-6593).

Why are we doing this study?

We want to study how people perceive sounds from languages other than their native language. Specifically, we are investigating how English speakers perceive Marathi sounds.

Your participation is voluntary.

You have the right to refuse to participate in this study. Refusal to participate or withdrawal/drop out after agreeing to participate will not have any adverse effects or consequences.

How is this study done?

If you agree to participate, this study will take about 25 minutes (including reading the consent form, completing a language questionnaire, and doing the main task).

- We will provide several recordings of fake and real words from Marathi, a language spoken in certain regions of India.
- You will be asked to type what you hear as if these words were normal English words.
- You will be asked to rate how English-like the words sound on a scale from one to seven.

What are the risks of participating?

We do not think there are any risks associated with participating in this study.

What are the benefits of participating?

We do not think taking part in this study will directly benefit you. However, in the future, others may benefit from what we learn in this study. In particular, we think that this study will help us understand how a person's native language affects what other languages sound like to them.

Will you be paid for taking part in this research study?

You will receive £2.71 for completing the study.

How will your privacy be maintained?

Your confidentiality will be respected. Directly identifying information will not be released without your consent unless required by law, and all confidential data (i.e. IP address) will be deleted after a maximum of 7 years. We will not collect or record your name, physical address, or personal contact information. We may contact you through Prolific if necessary for this study, but for no other reason. In addition, you will not be identified by IP address or Prolific-related identifiers in any completed study report. Further, the experiment is run on a platform (JATOS) hosted on SFU servers. Thus, participants recruited online will only be submitting data directly to an SFU server, and all data is stored and processed on password-protected SFU computers only.

What if you decided to withdraw your consent to participate?

You may withdraw from this study at any time without giving any reasons. If you choose to enter the study then decide to withdraw at a later time, all data collected about you will be destroyed.

Study results

The main study findings will be published in academic journal articles or presented at academic conferences. It will also be published online. In addition, a summary of the study results in non-technical language will be accessible at <http://www.sfu.ca/langdev.html> once the study is complete.

Future use of participant data

All data that we collect will be used for research purposes only. While study data may be shared with others (e.g., measures or performance in these tasks, age, gender, language background) using an online repository for research data, we will not share any identifying or confidential information with others (e.g. IP address). Any such confidential data will be stored on password-protected SFU computers for a maximum of 7 years.

Participant consent.

Taking part in this study is entirely up to you: You have the right to refuse to participate. If you decide to take part, you may pull out of the study at any time without giving a reason and without any negative impact. If you decide to withdraw while participating in the study, you may simply navigate away from the study. If you wish to withdraw after submitting the study, you may send an e-mail to lcavasso@sfu.ca. By completing and submitting the job, you indicate that you have received a copy of this consent form for your own records, and that you consent to participate in the study.