

Peer-Testing Evaluation (Consent)

This is the initial consent form associated with the peer-testing website evaluation exercise. Please take a moment to read through it so that you understand the purpose of the task, and what will be asked of you.

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Purpose of Study

The purpose of this study is twofold:

- To investigate the impact that peer-feedback by peer-testing of programming artifacts has on students' learning in computer science,
- To evaluate a peer-testing website by checking that the website behaves correctly, that the interface it offers is easily usable, that the site can improve the speed and quality of the peer assessment process.

Note that we are not testing the programming or testing ability of students, or their ability to perform peer assessment.

Participant Involvement

As a participant in this study you will be taking on the role of a student completing a coursework exercise.

You will have two programming tasks to complete, according to coursework specifications that will be handed out to you.

You will then complete these and perform peer-testing for each. One will use the website being evaluated, and the other will use a more traditional peer-testing via email.

After the evaluation is completed you will be given a feedback form to fill out to get more information regarding how you felt while taking part in the evaluation. You are also invited to a brief 'debrief' discussion to get more extended feedback with those involved.

Please note that your interactions will not be judged during the study, so please act as naturally as you normally would, and answer any feedback questions as honestly as possible.

Upon completion of the study you will be provided with some compensation for the time you have put into taking part.

Consent for Participants

I am aware that:

- I have been asked to participate as a subject in this study. The nature of the tasks I will be asked to perform have been explained to me in writing (see above).
- I understand that I can withdraw my participation at any stage without prejudice or negative consequences and without providing a reason.
- I understand that taking part or not taking part in this study will not have any effect on my grades in any way.
- I understand that all data collected will be anonymised before any publication, unless my prior consent is sought.

1. Consent Signature *

Please provide your full name, this will act as a digital signature for consent in the evaluation study.

2. E-mail of Participant *

Please give your user@hw.ac.uk address. We will only use this to contact you with further details about the evaluation study.

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