

# Cognitive Task Overview: TestMyBrain Visual Paired Associates Memory

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TMB Test Name: TestMyBrain Visual Paired Associates Memory

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  - All tasks were selected from and hosted on The Many Brains Project's web-based cognitive testing platform, TestMyBrain (Germine et al., 2012; The Many Brains Project).
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# **Test Overview**

# **Background:**

TMB Visual Paired Associates Memory (Singh et al., 2021) is a visual episodic memory task designed for remote, unsupervised administration. The images included in the test are from the MIT SUN Database (Xiao et al., 2010)

#### **Task Parameters:**

In the study portion of the test, participants are presented with 24 pairs of images and informed they will later be tested on which images were paired together. The two images within each pair are unique examples of the same type of object or scene (e.g., two images of barns). Image pairs are presented sequentially for 5000 ms each, with a 1500 ms interstimulus interval between pairs. After a delay of approximately 1.5-2.5 minutes, during which another brief test is typically completed, participants are sequentially presented with one image from each of the studied image pairs. Participants are asked to identify which image was previously paired with the probe image by selecting the correct image from five response options. Each of the incorrect response images depicts a unique example of the same type of object or scene as the images in the original pair (e.g., barns). Participants complete one unscored practice trial before beginning the 24 test trials.

# **Primary Outcome:**

The suggested primary outcome for the test is the proportion of test trials answered correctly (accuracy).

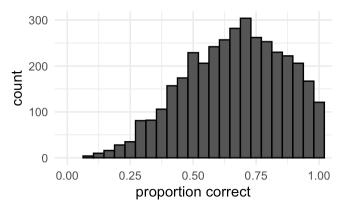
### **User Input:**

Participants respond either by touching (touch-compatible devices) or clicking their selections.

Alternate Task Versions: Alternate forms of this test are not available.

### **Psychometrics**:

- **Reliability**: In single-session testing, variation in accuracy between participants has a split-half reliability of .77.
- Score distribution:





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