

Information sheet for participants

Study title:	Interacting with humans and machines
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What is this document? This document explains what kind of study we're doing, what your rights are, and what will be done with your data. You should print this page for your records.

Nature of the study. You are invited to participate in a study which involves interacting with a partner where you select the images that most match your partners description and then describe an image using a given verb to help your partner select the correct image. You will either be interacting with another human or a text-generating Artificial Intelligence. Once you finish, we may have also some questions about your experience (e.g., thoughts on your partner, the experiment). Your responses will be recorded. Your session should last for up to 20 minutes. You will be given full instructions shortly.

Compensation. You will be thanked for your participation in this study.

Risks and benefits. There are no known risks to participation in this study. There no tangible benefits to you, however you will be contributing to our knowledge about language.

Confidentiality and use of data. All the information we collect during the course of the research will be processed in accordance with Data Protection Law. In order to safeguard your privacy, we will not collect any personal information about you. Your data will be only by referred to by a unique participant number. The anonymous data collected during this study will be used for research purposes and may be shared with other researchers or with the general public (e.g., we may make it available through the world wide web, or use it in TV or radio broadcasts).

What are my data protection rights? The University of Edinburgh is a Data Controller for the information you provide. You have the right to access information held about you. Your right of access can be exercised in accordance Data Protection Law. You also have other rights including rights of correction, erasure and objection. For more details, including the right to lodge a complaint with the Information Commissioner's Office, please visit www.i-co.org.uk. Questions, comments and requests about your personal data can also be sent to the University Data Protection Officer at dpo@ed.ac.uk.

Voluntary participation and right to withdraw. Your participation is voluntary, and you may withdraw from the study at any time while you are completing it. However, please note that once you complete the experiment we are not able to identify you, and therefore we cannot remove your data from the study after that point.

If you have any questions about what you've just read, please feel free to ask, or contact us later. You can contact us by email at S2226363@ed.ac.uk. This project has been approved by PPLS Ethics committee. If you have questions or comments regarding your rights as a participant, please contact the School Research Convenor at ppls.rec@ed.ac.uk.

By clicking "I consent", you consent to the following:

- 1. I agree to participate in this study.
- 2. I confirm that I have read and understood **how my data will be stored and used**.
- 3. I understand that I have the **right to terminate this session** at any point.