**Akiba Smart External Protocol**

## Overview

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| In waiting room | Welcome  Explain the task (general) | Time  5 mins  10 mins |
| In the lab | Experimental games  Pay subjects | X mins  X mins |
| In groups after lab | Explain treatment groups and practice savings mechanism | 30 mins |

**To do before subjects arrive:**

Have a sign-in sheet ready to be filled out.

Have computer software (randomizing tools, database system, zTree, etc) ready to run and take input.

Depending on situation, make adjustments to randomization to aim for balance by end of day.

Make sure printer is ready (to print mastersheet)

Have ID cards ready and accessible (enough to account for how many subjects show up and how randomization works out)

Have test scratchers purchased and ready.

**Session workflow:**

Participants arrive and are brought into the waiting room.

We will have a sign-in sheet to collect subjects’ names and mobile numbers (need to make sure subjects bring phone). Sign-in sheet is passed around.

RA’s collect sign-in sheet and hand to Arun.

RA’s continue with standard waiting room procedures (getting consent, explaining experiment, etc) and then move subjects to lab to begin experimental games. (Do we need to randomize which RA conducts waiting room procedures?)

At the same time, Arun enters participant info into randomization tool (Excel, Stata, etc) and randomizes. (Need to decide on randomization method).

Once participants are randomized into treatment groups, subject mobile numbers and the corresponding assignments are recorded in the database. (Need to streamline this process and practice doing it).

Arun assigns FO’s to explain treatment groups. (Need to decide on method—either randomize each time or keep consistent through all testing).

Create and print mastersheet with subjects divided into treatment groups with an RA assigned to explain each one. (Will add more details to this process. Need to streamline this: randomize, add to database, create and print mastersheet.)

An RA receives a list of the assignments and labels subject ID cards. (Reasonable to have this done before lab experiment ends?)

Lab experiment ends

Subjects are paid. (Called up to front desk one by one. They return to their lab seats after payment.)

RA’s receive mastersheet and break with subjects into groups (Where does each group go? Ex: one group in waiting room, one group remains in lab, one group in office? )

RA’s hand out subject ID cards and explain treatments.

\*Will add script for treatment explanations

Control:

Lottery:

Regret:

RA’s answer any questions

Hand out 10/20 ksh scratchers to practice saving.

Time allotted for subjects to practice savings mechanism.

Possible method: each subject independently applies test scratcher then sambaza’s the project phone. We confirm with each subject that they received a confirmation message. (Do we want to check Telerivet as well?)

Answer any other questions they have.

Subjects go home.