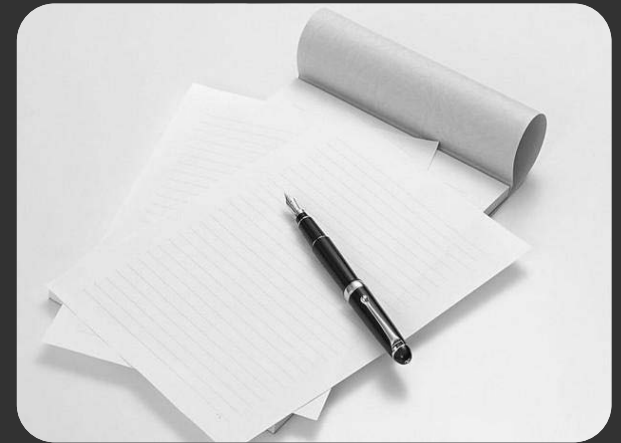




Get to know the course

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**What is the course?**



*Academic English Writing* is a course specially designed for students in the Experimental School. It introduces the meaning and features of academic writing in English. It explains how to use English to write academic papers, including **the essential principals and strategies to structure and develop a science research paper**. More importantly, it gives opportunities for students to **practise** corresponding knowledge and skills in writing research articles, which **leads to strict, logical, and critical thinking** and abilities to write and publish academic papers in international journals.



# Academic Writing in English

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**In short...**

**how to write a research paper  
using English**



# Why to write

- ◆ To store your ideas and get ready to diffuse them
- ◆ **Unwritten work does not exist.**
- ◆ It will never exist.

## Why to write in English?



# When to write?

- ◆ As soon as you obtain **ONE** (as in A SINGLE) **meaningful result** with potential impact, that is fully validated by the analysis conducted, it is time to write a paper.



# What to write?

- ◆ A good paper dealing with one exciting finding fully validated by the data that everyone can understand at some level.



# How to write?

## ◆ Aim for perfection!!!

Abstract

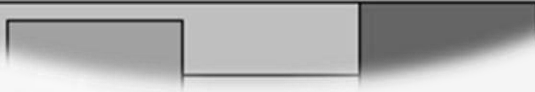
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# Writing a good paper

- ◆ OK. How?
- ◆ What do you start with?
- ◆ Guess.





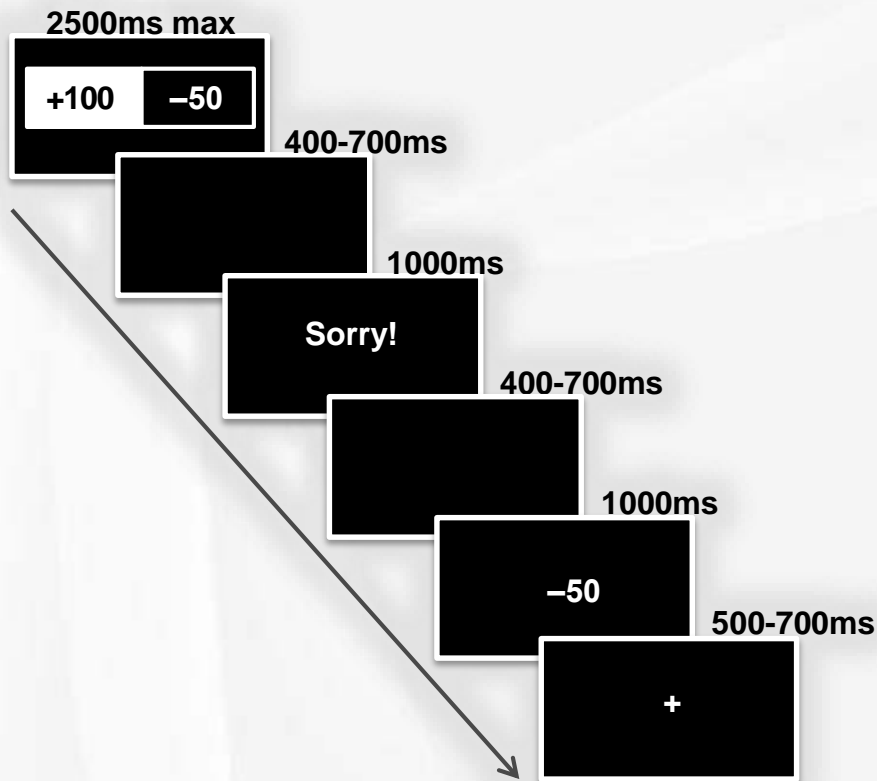
# Writing a good paper

- ◆ **First**, you need to be sure that what you have found is TRUE.
- ◆ Is it? You'll never know. But you need to be absolutely convinced before you try to convince others.

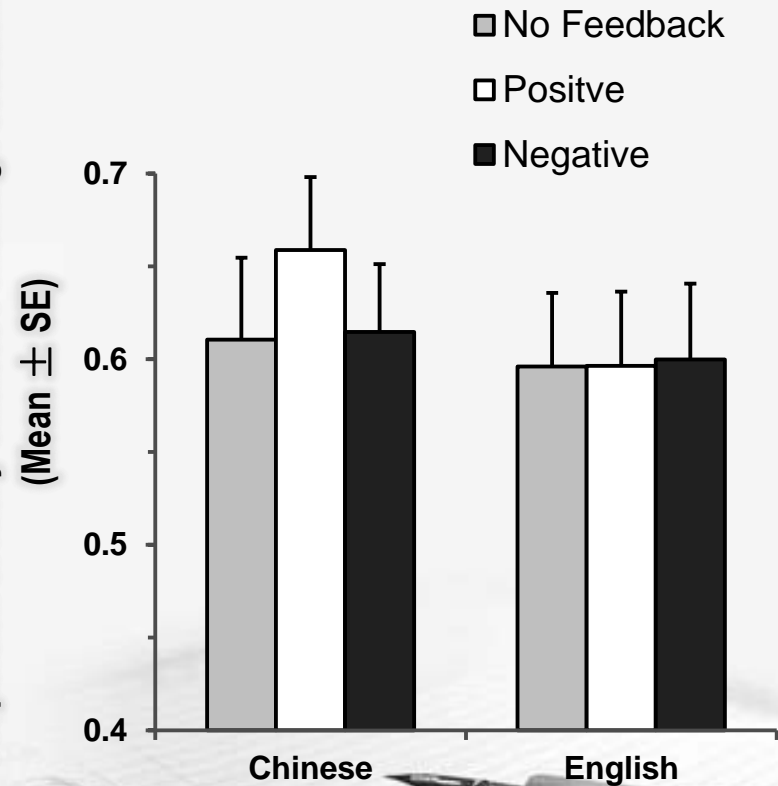


# Writing a good paper

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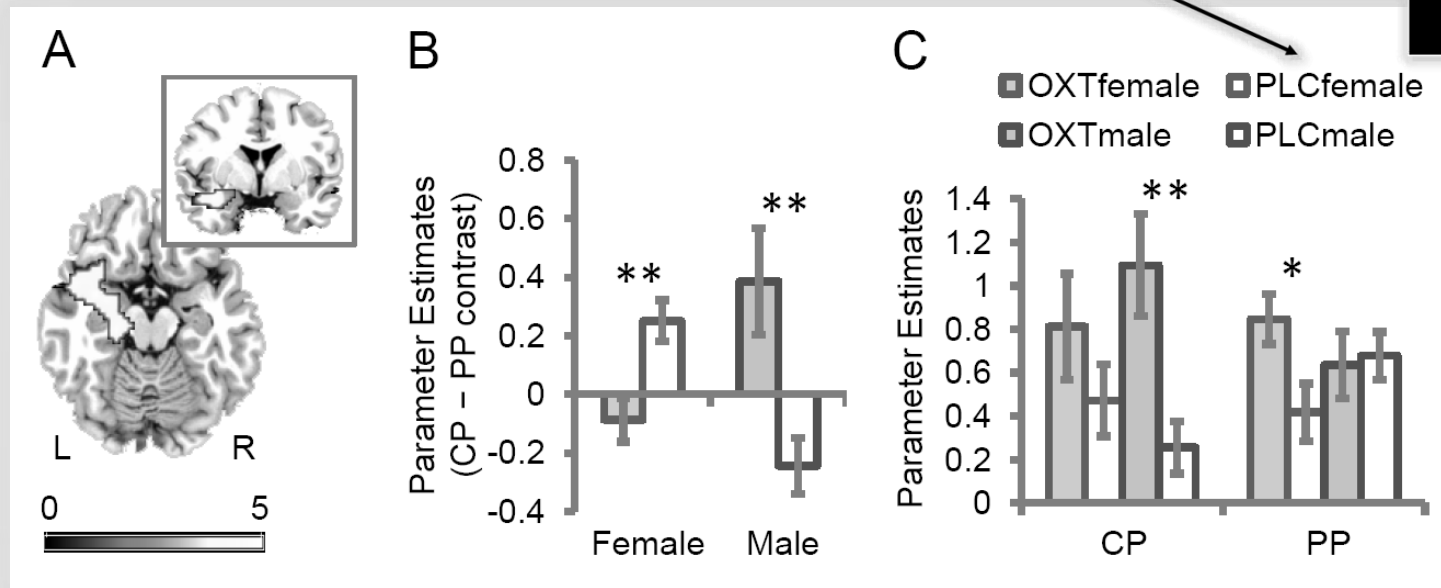
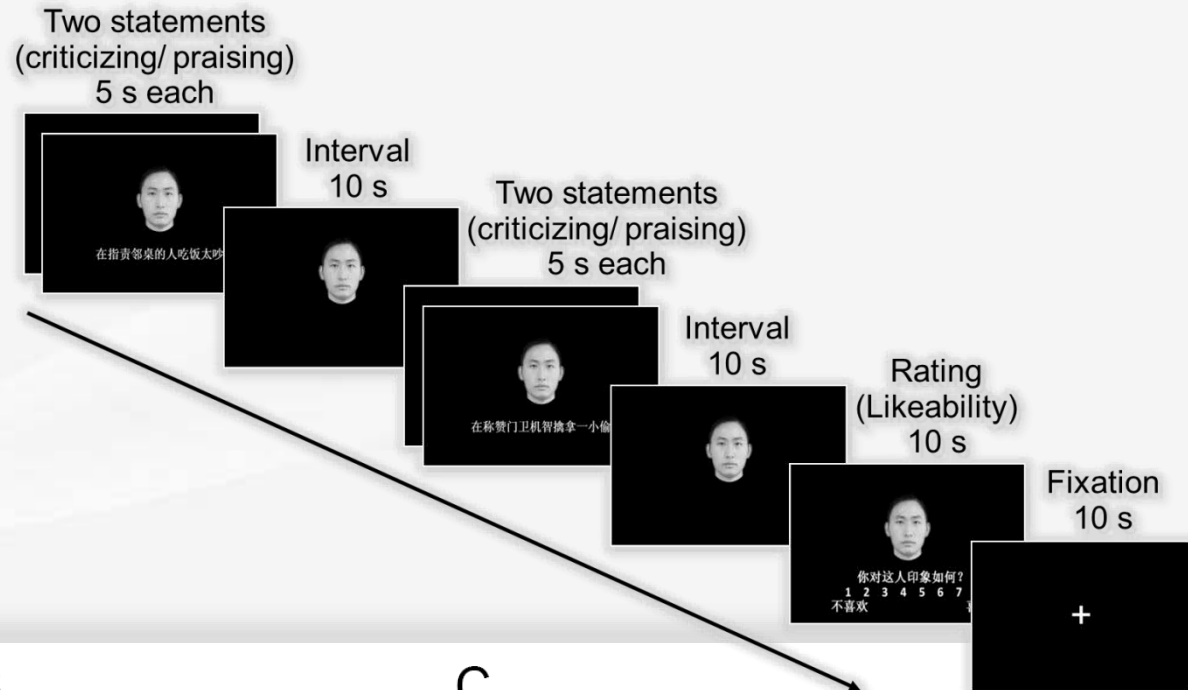


Proportion of Risky Choices Following Feedback  
(Mean  $\pm$  SE)



# Writing a good paper

## ◆ Example 2: First Impression



# Writing a good paper

- ◆ Ok, you know you have one core finding and you are sure it is interesting and valid.
- ◆ What next?
- ◆ How do you actually start?
- ◆ Guess.



# Writing a good paper

- ◆ I recommend writing a paper in the following order: Title, Abstract, Introduction, Methods, Results, Discussion, Conclusion, References.
- ◆ A conventional way means that the structure of a research article is quite similar for all writers and readers, that is, easy to follow.



# Writing a good paper

- ◆ Because science writing is so conventional, the amount of grammar and vocabulary you need to learn is quite small.
- ◆ So, **science writing is much easier than it looks.**



# Writing a good paper

- ◆ A limited amount of grammar and vocabulary
- ◆ But need to organize them in academic way



# Writing a good paper

*Things should be made **as simple as possible**, but **not any simpler**.*

— Albert Einstein





# Writing a good paper

- ◆ Reasonably short (less than 15 A4 sides including graphs and tables)
- ◆ Absolutely relevant to your topic. No bullshit, no decorative features.
- ◆ Clear enough in explaining what is your question and how you answer it.

**Simple but clear!!!**



# Summary

- ◆ We are going to learn how to write a research paper in a simple but clear way.
- ◆ We are going to learn it following the conventional model--Title, Abstract, Introduction, Methods, Results, Discussion, Conclusion, References.



# References

- ◆ Hilary Glasman-deal. Science Research Writing: A Guide for Non-Native Speakers of English [M]. Imperial College Press, 2009
- ◆ And many other papers



# What will you get?

- ◆ 2 credits
- ◆ The real knowledge and skills about how to write a search paper in English!!!
- ◆ And, the strict, logical, and critical thinking of science!!!



# How will you be tested?



attendance + classroom performance + exercise

# The way to keep contact

◆Join the QQ group:



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◆Download the references

# Assignment

◆ **Review what you learned in this part**

