

## **INSTRUCTIONS**

The task consists of individual trials in which you will first see an image (1 of a possible 4), then a circle and then the outcome.

Each of the 4 different images indicates whether you can win or lose money on the trial, and whether or not you should press the button in order to win or avoid losing money.

At first you will not know what the different images mean, but this will become clear through trial and error. If you decide the image means it is more advantageous to press a button, then you do this when you see the circle. Alternatively you may decide after seeing certain images that it is better to not press the button when you see the circle. The meaning of each image stays constant through the experiment.

After the circle, you will see the outcome which will either be an upper arrow meaning that you win £1, a lower arrow meaning that you lose £1, or a horizontal bar meaning that you neither lose nor win. Critically, in this task you may not win every time after doing a correct response and you may lose even after doing a correct response (we will explain this in more detail).

The aim is to try and win money by choosing the best strategy for each image. Your winnings will be calculated throughout the experiment and at the end you will get paid in cash (maximum £15, minimum of £5).