



ADULT CONSENT FORM PRINCETON UNIVERSITY

TITLE OF RESEARCH: *Using Amazon Mechanical Turk to create and validate stimulus materials*

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You are being invited to take part in a survey being conducted by the Computational Memory Lab in the Department of Psychology at Princeton University. Before you decide to participate in this study, it is important that you understand why the research is being done and what it will involve. Please take the time to read the following information carefully, as it contains important information about the study and your rights as a research participant. Please email the researcher at abeukers@princeton.edu if there is anything that is not clear or if you need more information.

Purpose of the research:

You have been asked to participate in a study to learn more how we make predictions about upcoming events in a narrative. To understand how easily you can predict an upcoming situation in a story, you will read a sequence of sentences and try to predict the next sentence in the story by adjusting a slider. You will then continue reading the story, which you can use as feedback for your answers.

Study Procedures:

If you choose to participate in this study, you will be asked to read text and adjust a slider position. Your total expected time commitment for this study is 30 – 60 minutes. There are 100 stories in the experiment. You will be asked to pay careful attention to the text as you read the story, as you will be responding to questions about the story.

Benefits and Risks:

Benefits: There are no direct benefits to participating in this experiment. However, you

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may draw satisfaction from the knowledge that information generated by this study may help promote better understanding of how we understand the world around us. This knowledge may eventually lead to improvements in the diagnosis, treatment and cure of neurological and psychiatric illness.

Risks: The risks involved in this study are minimal. If you experience any discomfort with the stimuli, please let us know by email. You may end the study at any time.

Confidentiality:

All records from this study will be kept confidential. Your responses will be kept private, and we will not include any information that will make it possible to identify you in any report we might publish. Research records will be stored securely in a locked cabinet and/or on password-protected computers. The research team will be the only party that will have access to your data. Anonymous data (without your name) may be presented at research meetings and published in research journals.

Compensation:

You will be paid \$6 for participation in the survey.

Disclosure of alternatives to participation:

The alternative is to not participate.

I understand the information that was presented and that:

- A. My participation is voluntary, and I may withdraw my consent and discontinue participation in the project at any time. My refusal to participate will not result in any penalty. My refusal to participate or discontinuation of participation will not result in loss of benefits to which I am otherwise entitled.
- B. I do not waive any legal rights or release Princeton University, its agents, or you from liability for negligence.

3. I hereby give my consent to be the subject of your research.

Click the box if you agree:

Date:

Who to contact with questions:

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3. In the event of a research related injury, or if you have questions regarding your rights as a research subject, or if problems arise which you do not feel you can discuss with the Investigator, please contact the Institutional Review Board at:

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