Supplementary Materials 1

Original story script used in experiment (from Bebbington et al, 2017)

Note: Each story event is numbered and separated by a slash. Negative: unambiguously negative story event, Positive: unambiguously positive story event, Ambiguous: ambiguous story event.

[1] Sarah is 18 years old./ [2] She decided to a take some time off before starting university./ [3] Her parents were disappointed that Sarah didn't want to start uni right away. (Negative)/ [4] Sarah's exam results were due out in a week./ [5] She was sure she knew how she had done. (Ambiguous)/ [6] Her parents had made her promise to phone with the results./ [7] They had always been supportive of her. (Positive)/[8] Sarah had decided to spend some time in the UK./[9] On the day of her trip Sarah arrived at the airport./ [10] She was so excited. (Positive)/ [11] Sarah boarded the plane and found her seat./ [12] As she sat down Sarah found her seatbelt was broken. (Negative)/ [13] She called for a flight attendant to ask to be moved to a new seat. / [14] The flight attendant told Sarah she would check to see what seats were available./ [15] When she returned she told Sarah that she would be moved to business class. (Positive)/[16] Sarah was thrilled. (Positive)/[17] As the plane sped down the runway Sarah noticed how jittery she felt. (Ambiguous)/ [18] When the seatbelt light went out Sarah unfastened her seatbelt and pushed her seat back./ [19] The seat was so comfortable. (Positive)/ [20] There was a young woman sitting in the seat next to Sarah./ [21] Sarah decided to start a conversation with her./ [22] The woman told her she was travelling for work./ [23] As Sarah told her about her travel plans/ [24] she could tell how interested the woman was in the conversation. (Ambiguous)/[25] An hour into the flight lunch was served./[26] There was a choice between fish and beef. / [27] Sarah had once gotten food poisoning from bad fish, (Negative)/ [28] so she chose the beef./ [29] As Sarah smelled the food she realised she was hungry./ [30] Sarah noticed that the meat had an unusual flavour. (Ambiguous)/ [31] Sarah had a short stop-over in Dubai. / [32] Walking down the concourse, Sarah saw a young man take an old woman's bag. (Ambiguous)/ [33] As she walked on further, Sarah saw that one of the stores was having a big sale. (Positive)/[34] She couldn't resist having a quick look./[35] She picked out a top to try on./ [36] As she came out of the change rooms, Sarah overheard someone talking about how she looked. (Ambiguous)/[37] As Sarah left the store, / [38] she found some money on the ground. (Positive)/[39] As she was putting the note in her pocket,/[40] Sarah heard a boarding call for her flight over the PA system./ [41] Looking around Sarah realised she had no idea where her gate was. (Negative)/ [42] She hurried over to an information desk to ask for directions/ [43] and she started running toward her gate./ [44] She got there just in time! (Positive)/ [45] Sarah boarded the plane for the next leg of her trip./ [46] The man in the seat next to her seemed to have a nasty cold. (Negative)/ [47] Sarah got up from her seat/ [48] and asked the flight attendant if she could be moved./ [49] The flight attendant told her that she would have to stay in her allocated seat. (Negative)/ [50] Sarah returned to her seat/ [51] She was sure she would catch his cold. (Negative)/ [52] During the flight Sarah got up to go to the toilet./[53] There was a long queue. (Negative)/[54] When Sarah reached the front, she was surprised by the condition of the toilet. (Ambiguous)/[55] She moved back to her own seat/ [56] and reflected on her trip so far./ [57] She had been surprised by the quality of the service on the flight. (Ambiguous)