

Experimenter Instructions

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1 On the day of the experiment

1. Open two screens of putty, one for the expt and another to watch the cpu (access it typing *top*)
2. Open each computer on the right kiosk mode
3. Adjust code to match the right number of people. **MAKE SURE YOU ARE USING THE RIGHT CODE**, $N = 18, T = 10$
4. Upload the code to putty and run it.
5. Make sure all the computers have
 - * paper
 - * pencil
 - * calculator
 - * instructions
 - * consent form
 - * information sheet
 - * Receipt

2 Experimenter instructions

2.1 Bring to the lab:

1. Instructions, consent forms, info sheets, receipts, calculators.
2. Signed up subjects sheet

Come to the lab. Distribute consent forms/information sheets receipts and calculators to all seats. Open putty and winscp. `source(R script)` and `ready(expt)`. Then open Chrome Kiosk windows on computers 1-N. When everyone is seated `start(expt)`.

2.2 At experiment time

At the door ask “*Has everyone got university ID or another form of ID?*” Those who haven’t will only be used if we have insufficient of those who have; warn them, in future bring ID.

Randomize over subjects using the lab tokens (Sara knows where these are). Surplus subjects given £2.50 and sent off.

You need 18 participants. (The can only run using 18 participants, on the Factor Analysis won’t work and matching groups are of size 6). Only use the chrome kiosk pages for the 18 people

If you get number 1-18, come in and sit quietly at that desk. Please do not talk or communicate with other participants while you are in the room. Keep mobile phones and other communication devices silent, and do not use them while in the room. If you get a 13 or higher, wait outside.

Subjects 1-18 come in with ID checked at the door.

When everyone is seated, say

“Welcome to this experimental session.

Your behaviour in this experiment will be confidential. Data is collected based on your computer number, which was assigned randomly. Personally identifying information about you will never be linked to this computer number. At the end of the experiment, you will be paid privately, so that no other participants will know how much you have earned.

You may have heard about experiments in which participants were deceived. Experiments in ESSEXLab never involve deception by the experimenters. That is, everything the experimenter tells you, and all on-screen instructions, are true and accurate. If you have any questions about this, please email esserlab@essex.ac.uk.

Fire exits are here and here [point them out]. Is there anyone who will have difficulty exiting the lab in an emergency? If so, please put your hand up.” [If so, ask if they have a Personal Emergency Plan; if they do not, use your judgement as to whether it is safe for them.]

“On your desk there is a consent form for this experiment, as well as an information sheet. There is also a receipt. At the end of the experiment you will be asked to fill it out with the amount you have won, and return it with the signed consent form to the experimenter. You may keep the information sheet if you wish. Lastly there are experiment instructions and a number of blank papers for you to take notes on during the experiment.

I will now read out experiment instructions. At the end you will have an opportunity to ask questions. If at any time you have a question or a problem with your computer, please put your hand up, and an experimenter will help you privately.”

Start the corresponding treatment on putty using `start(expt)`. The participants will see the instructions screen.

Read the instructions

When you finish reading the instructions, *“Once you finish reading the instructions please press the ‘Continue’ button to start the experiment”*

When the experiment is over:

“Please sign and date your receipts with the amount shown on your screen, and then click Payment on screen to show that you have done so.”

While this is happening prepare payment envelopes.

“The experiment is now over. I will come round to each of you in turn with your payment in an envelope. Check that you have received the correct payment. Note that amounts have been rounded to the nearest 10 pence. Please hand over your receipt and consent form when I do so. After you have received payment, please quietly leave the laboratory.”

“Please check the amount and if it’s wrong, raise your hand.”

Go round swapping envelopes for receipts. To each individual:

Email the results to me and store them safely somewhere, then delete them from the server.