

## **Title of Research Study:**

Cognitive and Affective Processes Online

#### **Researcher Team Contact Information:**

For questions about research appointments, the research study, research results, or other concerns, call the study team at:

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#### What is research?

Doctors and researchers are committed to your care and safety. The goal of research is to learn new things to help groups of people in the future. You as an individual, may or may not be helped by volunteering for a research study.

## Why am I being asked to take part in this research study?

We are asking you to take part in this research study because you are currently an mTurk user.

#### What should I know about a research study?

- Someone will explain this research study to you
- Whether you take part is up to you
- You can choose not to take part
- You can agree to take part and later change your mind
- Your decision will not impact the care received
- You can ask all the questions you want before you decide

## Why is this research being done?

Researchers are hoping that the information you share about yourself may help researchers find harder-to-reach populations for future research assessments in the mTurk community.

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## How long will the research last?

The study is expected to take approximately 30 minutes to 1 hour for each participant to complete.

#### How many people will be studied?

It is expected that about 5,000 people will be in this research study.

#### What happens if I say "Yes, I want to be in this research"?

You will first indicate that you are willing to participate at the end of this informational screen. You will then be taken through a series of questions, surveys and tasks. These activities will ask questions about your personal thinking and lifestyle, but they will not ask for your name, address or any other data that would easily identify you.

## What are my responsibilities if I take part in this research?

If you agree to take part in this research, you are volunteering to answer the research questions and complete the tasks as they are presented to you online.

## What happens if I do not want to be in this research?

Choosing not to be in this study or to stop being in this study will not result in any penalty to you or loss of benefit to which you are entitled.

# What are the risks of being in this study? Is there any way being in this study could be bad for me?

There is a potential some of the questions may be sensitive in nature, but you may skip any questions that you do not wish to answer.

Some examples of mood descriptions are:

- "I blame myself for everything bad that happens"
- "I feel guilty all of the time"
- "I feel my future is hopeless and will only get worse"

Because of the sensitive nature of these questions, consider participating in this study at a time, and in a context, where you will have sufficient privacy.

#### Will being in this study help me in any way?

There is no direct benefit to you for being in this study.

# What happens if I say "Yes", but I change my mind later?

You can change your mind at any time by stopping and exiting the activities. You will only be compensated for completion of the entire study at up to \$4.00 - \$5.00 per hour. The minimum compensation for study completion will vary within this range depending on the task that you are being asked to complete.

# Can I be removed from the research without my agreement?

The person in charge of the research study can remove you from the research study without your approval. Possible reasons for removal include:

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- HITs demonstrate bot-like behavior: failing multiple attention checks, extremely rapid responses, impossible level of consistency in task performance.
- Failure to meet attention checks within the surveys
- Non-matching generated unique code

## Will it cost me anything to participate in this research study?

Taking part in this research study will not cost you anything.

## What happens to the information collected for the research?

This project will not collect any identifiable information for this study. Participants will use their mTurk worker ID rather than name or email address. Your responses to surveys and tasks will be stored in a secure software program which can only be accessed by authorized research staff.

#### Will I be compensated for my participation?

Yes. Those who complete the entire study will receive \$4.00-\$5.00/hour with an additional bonus depending on performance on applicable tasks. Money will be transferred to your mTurk account within 72 hours of completion. Since this is an online study aimed at obtaining a community sample, no Research Experience Points will be awarded.

## Who do I contact if I have question, concerns or feedback about my experience?

Please feel free at any time to share your questions or concerns with the research coordinators.

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This research has been reviewed and approved by an Institutional Review Board (IRB) within the Human Research Protections Program (HRPP). To share feedback privately with the HRPP about your research experience, call the Research Participants' Advocate Line at 612-625-1650 (toll free 1-888-224-8636) or go to z.umn.edu/participants. You are encouraged to contact the HRPP if:

- Your questions, concerns, or complaints are not being answered by the research team.
- You cannot reach the research team.
- You want to talk to someone besides the research team.
- You have questions about your rights as a research participant.
- You want to get information or provide input about this research.

#### Will I have a chance to provide feedback after the study is over?

After the study, you might be asked to complete a survey about your experience as a research participant. You do not have to complete the survey if you do not want to. If you do choose to complete the survey, your responses will be anonymous. If you are not asked to complete a survey after the study is over but you would like to share feedback, please contact the study team or the Human Research Protection Program (HRPP). See the "Who Do I Contact?" section of this form for study team and HRPP contact information.

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