

INFORMATION SHEET FOR EXEMPT RESEARCH

STUDY TITLE: Ian's Screening Project

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You are invited to participate in a research study. Your participation is voluntary. This document explains information about this study. You should ask questions about anything that is unclear to you.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this study is to investigate how individuals produce and comprehend language. We hope to learn about how words and sentences are created and how the properties of language impact that creation. You are invited as a possible participant because you are a native speaker of American-English with normal/corrected-to-normal vision and hearing.

PARTICIPANT INVOLVEMENT

If you volunteer to participate in this study, we would ask you to do the following: You would be asked to do simple tasks, such as listen to or read sentences or words, look at pictures and/or video clips on the computer screen, and provide responses, e.g., answer questions, produce/say sentences out loud, click on a picture, move the mouse or press a button. In some versions of the study, you will be asked to fill out standardized questionnaires (e.g. to rate how well different statements apply to you.) The total duration would be about 15 to 30 minutes.

If you decide to take part, you will be asked to complete simple tasks that will help us learn more about language.

PAYMENT/COMPENSATION FOR PARTICIPATION [If applicable, describe payment amount. Indicate how payment will be made (cash, gift card, etc.); when payment will be given and by whom. If there is no payment, please remove this section]

You will be compensated \$10 per hour of participation (\$5 for 30 minutes or less, \$2.50 for 15 minutes or less).

ALTERNATIVES TO PARTICIPATION

[If subjects are employees, students, consumers/patients, please include their alternative. If the alternative is to not participate, remove this section]

EXAMPLE:

If you joined the student subject pool, your alternative may be to participate in another study or to write a paper, please contact the Subject Pool Coordinator for further information.

CONFIDENTIALITY

The members of the research team, and the University of Southern California Institutional Review Board (IRB) may access the data. The IRB reviews and monitors research studies to protect the rights and welfare of research subjects.

When the results of the research are published or discussed in conferences, no identifiable information will be used. Your identifiable information will not be linked to your responses. Only members of the research team will have access to the data associated with this study. The data will be stored in the Principal Investigator's lab or office indefinitely, and may be used in future research studies and/or shared with other researchers. If you do not want your data used or shared in future studies, you should not participate in this study.

This study is conducted on Amazon Mechanical Turk and it adheres to Amazon's MTurk Privacy Policy. To understand the privacy and confidentiality limitations associated with using MTurk, we strongly advise you to familiarize yourself with Amazon's privacy policies (<https://www.mturk.com/mturk/privacynotice>).

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[Explain how information will be kept confidential.]

[If there is a potential for a breach of confidentiality, explain the circumstances. Indicate how long the data will be kept. The data may be kept indefinitely; subjects should be informed of the maximum length of data storage.]

[If audio/video recordings will take place, describe the participant's right to review/edit the audio/video-recordings or transcripts, who will have access (including transcribers) and, if/when the audio/video-recordings will be erased (approximately), describe how personal identities will be shielded/disguised, and how long the audio/video recordings will be maintained.]

[If information will be released to any other party for any reason, state the person/agency to which the information will be furnished, the nature of the information, and the purpose of the disclosure.]

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[Include if using focus groups, otherwise delete] Due to the nature of focus groups, your confidentiality cannot be guaranteed. However, in order to maintain the confidentiality of the group, you are asked not to discuss the content of the group with anyone not in the group, or to discuss who participated in the focus group.

INVESTIGATOR CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have any questions about this study, please contact Ian Rigby (irigby@usc.edu) Department of Linguistics, University of Southern California, GFS 301, Los Angeles, CA 90089.

IRB CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have any questions about your rights as a research participant, please contact the University of Southern California Institutional Review Board at (323) 442-0114 or email irb@usc.edu.