

**Subject Information form**

This is a research study investigating how we form impressions of novel objects. Participation in this study involves completing a survey and takes about 15 minutes. You will receive £ 2.25 (~ \$ US 2.80) for completing the study.

Participation in this study requires (1) that your first language is English, (2) that you have at least 50 previous submissions on Prolific, and (3) that your Prolific approval rate is at least 90%.

There are no known or anticipated risks to participating in this study. Although this study will not benefit you personally, we hope that our results will add to the knowledge about psychology and evaluative learning in particular.

However, please note the following points. Firstly, some of the pictures that you will be exposed to can be of a disturbing nature (including, but not limited to: cockroaches, accidents, fire). Secondly, we do not provide insurance for participation in this study.

The researcher will not know your name, and no identifying information will be connected to your survey answers in any way. The survey is therefore anonymous.

Your responses will be numbered and stored on a password-protected computer hard drive. The information you provide will be kept until publication. A data file containing your anonymous responses (without your Prolific ID) will be stored in a secure online archive (i.e., the Open Science Framework). This data file will be available to other researchers without time limit.

Participation in this study is completely voluntary. You are free to decline to participate, to end participation at any time for any reason, or to refuse to answer any individual question without penalty or loss of compensation.

If you have any question or comment, or if you would like to receive additional information on the present study, please do not hesitate to contact the person in charge of this research at the following e-mail address: [karoline.bading@uni-jena.de](mailto:karoline.bading@uni-jena.de)

**Consent form (four pages; 1-2: consent form as presented at the beginning of the experiment; 3-4: consent form participants can download by clicking on a “download” button displayed on the consent form included at the beginning of the experiment)**



Consent form to take part in the study entitled “impressions of novel objects”  
conducted online on Prolific

Dear participant,

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If you want a copy of the consent form, click on the "Download consent form" button below (it will open a new tab in your browser; then go back to the experiment tab):

*[Here, "Download" button]*

Do you understand this consent form, agree with it, and want to participate in the study?

- Yes, I understand, I agree, and I want to participate
- No, I do not want to participate

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**Debriefing form**

The experiment is now over. Thank you very much for your participation!

In this experiment, we wanted to see whether the valence of the paired image (positive vs. negative) has an influence on your evaluation of the nonwords. In addition, we were also interested in your memory for the nonword-image pairs.

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