

Parent Consent for Child to Participate in Research

Dear Parent(s) or Guardian(s):

Human Research Protections Program	
UC San Diego	
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We are inviting your child to participate, with your permission, in a research project being conducted by the University of California, San Diego's Mind and Development Lab headed by Professor Adena Schachner.

Why is this study being done? The purpose of this study is to find out more about children's developing understanding of the social and physical world. The study explores how children reason about social things, like faces or actions, and non-social things, like objects or natural events. How do children learn the ideas they need to understand actions, objects, and events? How do children learn about the individual people and objects they see?

Your child has been asked to participate in this study because we are currently investigating development at your child's age level. Over several years, this study will include children between the age of 3 months and 18 years, and approximately 8,000 participating families.

What will happen if my child takes part in this study? In this research study, your child will participate in one or more short activity designed for children of their age. This research will take place at your child's school during school hours.

Your child will sit with a trained researcher and listen to a short story, see a short puppet show or video, or play with toys. For example, children may be asked to sort toys into categories, or interact with an age-appropriate game on an iPad or computer. The researcher may ask your child questions about the story or game.

How long will this study take? Each child will participate for less than 15 minutes.

Withdrawal. Taking part in this study is your and your child's choice. Your child is free to not take part or to withdraw at any time for any reason. If you decide to withdraw your child from this study or your child decides to withdraw from this study, the information that you have already provided will be kept confidential. You may choose to withdraw your child or your child may withdraw by telling the researcher that you or your child wish to stop participation in this study. Additionally, the researcher may withdraw your child from participating if the researcher believes that it is in the best interests of the child or the study.

How will you keep my child's study records confidential? We will keep the records of this study confidential by storing them on our secure and password protected server, on a password-protected computer in a locked room, and/or in a locked cabinet; by identifying participants by ID codes rather than names; and by allowing nobody other than laboratory personnel access to research materials. Publications and conference presentations of the data will not identify individuals and will present results of the group as a whole. Signed consent forms will be kept separate from the research data.

Are there any benefits of being in this study? Children typically enjoy participation, and you as a parent may enjoy learning about this research on children's development. Your child's participation will increase knowledge of how children learn.

What are the risks of taking part in this study? The study does not involve any risks or discomforts beyond those experienced in everyday life. There is a risk of your child becoming bored, but we try to avoid this by designing all tasks to be engaging to children, and keeping sessions short in length. As with any study, there is a risk of loss of confidentiality, so we take many steps to ensure that the records of this study and your child's participation are kept confidential. Since this is an investigational study there may be some unknown risks that are currently unforeseeable. You will be informed of any significant new findings.

Will we be paid for taking part in this study? No, you will not be paid; your child may receive a certificate for participating in this research.

What will it cost to take part in this study? Aside from time, there are no known costs to you or your child for participating in this research study.

If we have any questions or concerns about this study, who can I talk to? If you or your child have questions or concerns regarding this research, either now or at any time in the future, please feel free to contact our research team (858-534-7713 or MaDlab@ucsd.edu) or Professor Adena Schachner (schachner@ucsd.edu). You may also obtain information about your child's rights as a research participant by contacting the Human Research Protections Program Office at 858-246-4777.

Taking part in this study is up to you. If you decide to allow your child to take part in this study, we will ask you to sign this form.

Please see the next page for the statement of consent.

Statement of Consent

I have read the information in this consent form, including risks and possible benefits. I have been given an opportunity to ask questions, and my questions have been answered to my satisfaction. I have been given a copy of this form.

I agree to allow my child to participate in the study.

Name of Parent/Guardian

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

Name of Child

Child's Date of Birth

Sex: ____Male ____Female

Videotaping. We would like to videotape the study session for our records. It will be possible to identify your child in the video; however, we will keep the videos confidential and only approved study staff will be able to see the videos. We will store the videos on our secure and password protected server, on a password-protected computer in a locked room, and/or in a locked cabinet, and label videos with a code. Videos will be securely stored for ten years, and then deleted.

Do you agree to let us **videotape** the study session?

YES

NO

If we cannot videotape the study session, may we **audio record** it? ____YES ____NO

Future Contact. Would you like to be contacted about future opportunities for your child to participate in research studies with the Kid Science Labs at UC San Diego? By providing information, you are not committing to participate in other studies – we'll just ask you if you're interested, when a new study is available.

If you think you might be interested, please provide us with some contact information:

Email address _____ or Phone _____

Sibling's name(s) (if any) _____ Sibling's birth date(s) _____

Participant's Bill of Rights for Non-Medical Research

You have been asked to participate in a research study. Any participant in a research study has the right to:

- a. Be told the nature and purpose of the study.
- b. Be given an explanation of what will happen during the study and of how the research participant is expected to participate.
- c. Be given an explanation of any risks or discomforts that may be experienced as a result of participating in the study.
- d. Be given an explanation of any benefits that may be expected from participation in the study.
- e. Be told of other appropriate choices that may be better or worse than being in the study, and be told of the risks and benefits of those other choices.
- f. Have the opportunity to ask questions about the study or about your participation in it, both before agreeing to participate in the study and during the course of the study.
- g. Be told that you may withdraw your consent and participation in the study at any time, and that your withdrawal will not affect your services.
- h. Be told that you may refuse to answer any question.
- i. Be given a copy of the signed and dated consent form.
- j. Be free of pressure when considering whether to consent to, and participate in, the study.
- k. Be informed, upon request, about the results of the study.