

University of California, San Diego
Consent to Act as a Research Subject

Human Language Comprehension from Form to Meaning

Dr. Eva Wittenberg is conducting a research study on language. You have been asked to participate in this study because it will help our research to understand how people process the linguistic materials used in this study. There will be approximately 50-150 participants in this experiment, and approximately 2,500 participants per year in this study.

This study will take no more than two hours. If you agree to participate, you will do one or more of the following

- Read, listen to, or write words or sentences, or draw
- Watch videos or other visual stimuli
- Complete a response time task
- Have your speech or gestures recorded

Participation in this study may involve some unknown risks or discomforts. The information collected from this experiment will be associated with a code that is not linked to your name in any way. In addition, research records will be kept confidential to the extent provided by law. They will be kept in a locked drawer in a locked office. Data will be used only for the purpose of the research. Research records may be reviewed by the UCSD Institutional Review Board.

The alternative to participation in this study is not to participate. There is a risk of boredom and fatigue. There are no direct benefits to you from participation in our study. However, we may learn more about human language, leading to potential benefits for society.

Participation in research is entirely voluntary. You may refuse to participate or withdraw or refuse to answer specific questions in an interview or on a questionnaire at any time without penalty or loss of benefits to which you are entitled.

You may call the Human Research Protections Program Office as 858-246-4777 for more information about this, to inquire about your rights as a research subject, or to report research-related problems.

The PI may remove you from the study without your consent if the PI feels it is in your best interest or the best interest of the study. You may also be withdrawn from the study if you do not follow the instructions given you by the study personnel.

There will be no cost to you for participating in this study, and no compensation.

If you have other questions or research-related problems, you may reach Dr. Wittenberg at ewittenberg@ucsd.edu.

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You have received a copy of this consent document. You agree to participate.