

Is this news real or fake ?

Please read the news pieces that follow, and answer these questions:

1. If you think the news piece is **objectively fake** (it contains **mainly misinformation**) or not,
2. Your confidence in your response,
3. Your estimation of others' answers to the first question.
(Note: The responders are all American MTurk workers.)

You can **double** or even **triple** your earnings with bonuses.

Things to know

- This experiment is not optimized for phones. If possible, please use a **desktop computer**.
- News pieces vary in length but the whole experiment is designed to take roughly 10 minutes. Do not rush; you are given 6 hours to finish the task.
- Your answers will be accepted (in 1 hour) and you will be paid \$2 for your participation regardless of your answers, so tell us your honest opinion.
- Your expertise/knowledge will be awarded in the form of additional bonuses.

Bonuses

There are two bonuses that you can collect in addition to your flat participation fee.

Accuracy Bonus

Based on your answer to Questions 1 and 2 we calculate an *accuracy* score for you according to the following table, and calculate a sum of scores. The top 20% of MTurk workers who have the highest sum of scores will be awarded a bonus of \$2.

Your confidence	Your score if you are correct	Your score if you are wrong
50%	0	0
60%	9	-11
70%	16	-24
80%	21	-39
90%	24	-56
100%	25	-75

- The more certain you claim to be, the more points you can win.
- As you approach 100%, the penalty for being incorrect climbs much faster than the gains for being correct.
- In general, you will score the most points if the numbers correspond to your true levels of confidence. *Expressing too much confidence is a common mistake in this game.*

Estimation Bonus

You will be rewarded an additional \$2 bonus if you can make a good estimation of others' responses (Question 3). Note that the experiment is only open to American workers on MTurk. The bonus goes to the top 20% of MTurk workers with the best estimation.

Start the survey