

**User Testing: Task Script**

[To be read to each participant]

We are students at Sheridan College. For one of our courses, we are working on the development of a [- application\_name-] application.

We have developed a prototype which simulates some aspects of the final system.  What you will see is not a working system.  Only pages relevant to the tasks we will ask you to complete have been mocked up.  In addition, some links and functionality will not work.  In order evaluate the prototype and concept, we would like you to interact with the prototype and then give us your honest opinions. Any problems you find will help us improve the prototype.

The testing session will consist of two parts:

1. Completion of three tasks using the prototype, where you will be asked to verbalize your thoughts and opinions as you use the prototype
2. A brief interview to find out your opinions

One member of the group will run the session while the other will take notes.  During the session, you are encouraged to ask questions but we may not be able to respond to them at that time.  We will be able to answer all questions at the end of the session. The session should take about 20-30 minutes.  You can end the testing at any point in the session if you feel uncomfortable.

Do you have any questions?

If you feel comfortable taking part in this testing session, please sign the consent form.   
[Make sure the participants sign the consent form before beginning the session]



**Tasks**

Using the prototype, you will be asked to perform three tasks.  While you are performing the tasks, please try to say your thoughts **aloud**.  If you become quiet, I may ask questions to find out what you are thinking or remind you to speak your thoughts aloud.

**Task 1**  
Please [task one here]  
 **Task 2**  
Please [task two here]

**Task 3**  
Please [task there here]

**Task 4**  
Please [task there here]

**Task 5**  
Please [task there here]

[After completion of each task, ask the following question.]

On a scale of 1-5, how difficult was this task to complete? (1 being the easiest)

**Semi-structured Interview Questions (Post-test questions)**

Now we would like to ask you a few questions to find out what you think of the prototype.  [The following questions should be asked in each session.  Other questions may be improvised to solicit further information from the participant.]

1. What aspects of using prototype (application) were problematic or confusing?
2. Did you notice any features that you like?
3. Did you notice any features that you dislike?
4. Which terms, labels or navigation elements are confusing or require clarification?
5. Do you have any suggestions for improvement?
6. Would you xxxxxx?