Before regular PD task:

Hi. Today you will be asked to make a series of economic choices. These choices are hypothetical, but we want you to respond to the questions as if real money were on the line. On each trial, you will be asked whether you would prefer a certain amount or an uncertain amount. The uncertainty will change as the task progresses. For example, you may be asked to choose between $500 for sure or an 85% chance of gaining $1000. Please take the task seriously and let me know when you hit the stop sign.

Before EV PD task:

Thanks for your participation so far. See it’s not that difficult. This next task will be very similar to the task that you just took. You will be asked to choose between a certain amount or an uncertain amount. This time information related to expected value will be displayed. Expected value is the amount of money that you would hypothetically earn on average if you were able to take this task an infinite number of times. Expected value is calculated by multiplying the probability of receipt by the amount of the reward. For example, an 85% chance of earning $1000 yields an expected value of $850. That means that on average, you would be expected to earn $850 if you could take the task an infinite number of times.