

Instructions from Survey 1 of “Study of Decision Making”

Basics of the study

Thank you for agreeing to participate in the study. This study is about decision-making.

This is the first of five parts in this study. You will earn money based on the choices you make and the activities you complete throughout the study. Your submissions will be approved if you complete all five parts of the study.

The second, third, fourth, and fifth parts of this study will also be completed through Prolific. We expect that those who participate in the study will receive at least \$8 per hour on average for every part that you complete.

The link below will allow you to download an information sheet about the study. Please read the information sheet.

Participant Information Sheet

Please refer to the calendar below to see when each part of the study must be completed. The second part of the study must be completed on Monday or Tuesday of next week. The third part of the study must be completed on Thursday or Friday of next week. The fourth part must be completed on Monday or Tuesday of the week after next. The fifth and final part must be completed on Thursday or Friday of the week after next. Subject to completion, **all submissions and bonuses will be approved on Saturday the week after next.**

Once you understand the conditions of participation, please respond to the consent form on the next page.

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
This Week					Part 1: Introduction		
Next Week		Part 2: 1.Complete IQ quiz 2.Choose tasks for Part 3			Part 3: 1. Choose tasks for Part 3 2. Complete Part 3 tasks		
Week After Next		Part 4: 1.Complete IQ quiz 2.Choose tasks for Part 5			Part 5: 1. Choose tasks for Part 5 2. Complete Part 5 tasks		Submissions approved and payments sent

Current Part
Future Parts

Sets of Sliders

During the study, you will have the opportunity to complete some tasks for payment. Each task involves moving a number of sliders to a predetermined point. There will be two kinds of tasks: each “easy” set of sliders will involve moving 20 sliders to predetermined points, while each “hard” set of sliders will involve moving 30 sliders to predetermined points.

Choosing the Number of Sets

You will complete the sliders for payment in the third and fifth parts of this study. We will ask you how many sets of sliders you would like to complete for various payment rates (e.g.

\$0.20 per set of sliders or \$0.30 per set of sliders).

However, you will be asked twice how many sliders you would like to complete. In both the second and third parts of the study, we will ask you how many sets of sliders you would like to complete in the third part. That is, you will make an initial decision in the second part. Then in the third part, you will have a chance to alter that decision, if you wish, before actually completing the sets of sliders. In both the fourth and fifth parts of the study, we will ask you how many sets of sliders you would like to complete in the fifth part.

Because we will ask you twice about how many sets of sliders you would like to complete for payment, we will randomly select which choice will count. For instance, the number of sets of sliders you complete in the third part could be determined by your choice in the second part with 1 out of 5 chance and your choice in the third part with 4 out of 5 chance.

Furthermore, we will allow you to choose the likelihood that each choice is the one that counts (potentially) at the cost of doing a few more easy sets of sliders. For instance, we will ask you questions like “would you rather complete 1 easy set of sliders now with 4 out of 5 chance of today’s choices being the ones that count or would you like to complete 3 easy sets of sliders now and have 1 out of 5 chance of today’s choices being the ones that count.”