

INFORMED CONSENT

PARTICIPANT NUMBER:

EXPERIMENT CODE:

EXPERIMENT NAME: Reaction Time Task

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Before you begin this experiment, I would like to let you know what to expect.

During the experiment you will see two circles (one on the left, one on the right) outlined in white on a black screen. The inside of each circle will flash up white periodically. Your task will be to press the "x" key if the left circle flashes white and the ">" key if the right circle flashes white. The idea is for you to respond as quickly as possible to the right and left circle flashes, whilst avoiding errors.

In the centre of the screen there will be a square outlined in white on the black screen. Before each circle flashes white the square will fill with a colour. This is to warn you of the next trial. For optimal performance on the task it is important that you look at the square so you are prepared to make your response when the circle flashes.

If there is any reason why you feel that you may be unable to complete this study, you may withdraw from participation at any point and your data will be eliminated. The experiment involves flashes on screen, and if you have epilepsy you cannot take part.

I understand that:

- Participation in this study is entirely voluntary and that I can withdraw from the study at any time without giving a reason.
- Non-participation or withdrawal from the study will not be of any disadvantage to my university career [Students only.]
- If I prematurely withdraw from the study I will still be appropriately compensated for my participation.
- I can instruct the researchers carrying out this study at any time to delete data obtained from me from their records.
- I am free to ask any questions at any time and that I can arrange to discuss any concerns with the lead researcher (see below).
- At the end of the study I will be provided with additional information and feedback about the purpose of the study.
- No data will be published in which I can be identified individually. In accordance with the Data Protection Act, I can have access to my information at any time.
- The data provided by me in this experiment will be used for research purposes only. They will not be shared in any manner which would allow identification of my individual responses.
- Anonymised research data will be archived at the Economic and Social Data Service (ESDS), and might also be uploaded onto other digital data repositories, such as Figshare and the Exeter Data Archive, in line with current data sharing practices.

Name: _____

Age: _____

Date: _____

Gender: _____

Signature: _____

R/L handed: _____

Degree course: _____

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