Online Consent Form

I am Becky Bui, a research coordinator in the Department of Psychology at Northwestern University. You are reading this document because you selected our study from Amazon Mechanical Turk.

We are conducting a research study to investigate human cognition and learning.

If you agree to participate, you will be asked to view materials and make responses to questions based on the materials that you viewed. The study should take no more than one hour.

Your participation in this study does not involve any risk to you beyond that of everyday life.

You are not likely to have any direct benefit from being in this research study. Taking part in this study may help researchers to better understand learning processes and what kinds of things can aid or hinder learning processes.

Participation in this study will involve no cost to you. You will be paid in accordance with the stated policies of Amazon Mechanical Turk. Payment will be made upon completion and acceptance of the HITs that you have agreed to complete. Payment will be processed through the Mechanical Turk.

[Confidentiality]

Study records that can identify you will be kept confidential because we will not request any identifiable data.

This survey is being hosted by Amazon Mechanical Turk and involves a secure connection. Terms of Service, addressing confidentiality, may be viewed at https://www.mturk.com/mturk/conditionsofuse

The results of the research study may be published, but your name will not be used. Your participation in this research study is completely voluntary. You can skip questions in the survey and you can withdraw at any time by exiting the survey.

If you have any questions about this study you may contact Dedre Gentner, the person in charge of this research study. She can be reached at (847) 467-2035. You can also contact the research coordinator, Becky Bui, at (847) 467-1360. Questions about your rights as a research subject may be directed to the Institutional Review Board (IRB) Office of Northwestern University at (312) 503-9338.
If you want a copy of this consent for your records, you can print it from the screen. If you would you like documentation linking you to this research study, please email your request to the Principal Investigator at gentner@northwestern.edu.

If you wish to participate, please select the Accept button below to begin the survey. If you do not wish to participate in this study, please select the Skip/Decline button, and your session will end.

Sincerely,
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