

RESEARCH PARTICIPANT INFORMATION LETTER

Please read this document carefully before you decide to participate in this research study. **Your participation is voluntary, and you can decline to participate, or withdraw consent at any time, with no consequences.**

Study Title: Choices on a Button-Pressing Game

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Purpose of the research study: The purpose of the research study is to examine your choices in a button-pressing game. The study is being conducted by researchers in the University of Florida Department of Psychology. You are invited to participate if you are 18 years of age or older, have access to a laptop or desktop computer and are currently registered as a Prolific.co research participant.

What you will be asked to do in the study: You will be asked to press buttons in a for points and answer a short survey about the study.

Time required: Overall time will not exceed 30 min.

Risks and benefits: The risks associated with participating in this study are minimal. To minimize any risk following participation, we will provide you with a list of online resources should you experience any distress at the end of the session. No direct physical, health, psychological, or social benefits are expected to result from participation

Confidentiality: We will protect your privacy and the data you provide by de-identifying your data and storing the coded data file in a separate, secure location (i.e., the principal investigator's University of Florida OneDrive.com account). Your Prolific ID will never be shared with anyone and will only be collected for the purpose of distributing compensation. Data resulting from your participation in this study will be deleted from the researcher's Prolific account in 120 days. Information collected through your participation could contribute to presentations at research conferences or publications in professional journals. If you have questions about your rights as a research participant, please see <https://participant-help.prolific.co/hc/en-gb/sections/360004026793--Practices-Security-and-Privacy>. By participating in this study, you are agreeing to Prolific.co's Privacy Policies. Please contact Prolific.co (<https://participant-help.prolific.co/hc/en-gb/requests/new>) or the researchers (via the researchers' Prolific.co account) with any additional questions.

Compensation: You will receive \$4.00 in base pay. In addition, performance could also result in earning points that add to your base pay. You could earn, on average, \$7.50 total.

Withdrawal from the study: You are free to withdraw your consent and to stop participating in this study at any time without consequence. Your participation is completely voluntary. If you choose to withdraw, your data can be withdrawn if it is identifiable. Your decision about whether to participate or to stop participating will not jeopardize your future relations with Prolific.co or opportunities to participate in future research with the University of Florida or the University of Florida Department of Psychology.

If you wish to discuss the information above or any discomforts you may experience, please ask questions now or contact one of the research team members listed at the top of this form.

If you have any questions regarding your rights as a research subject, please contact the Institutional Review Board (IRB02) office (University of Florida; PO Box 100173; Gainesville, FL 32610; (352) 392-0433 or irb2@ufl.edu.)

Agreement: Now that you have read about the study, if you wish to participate, click the “I agree” button to continue; if you do not consent to participate, click “Do not agree” or just close this window. Please print a copy of this page for your records.