

## Appendix B: Stimuli for perception experiment

Item	Sentence type	Focus category	Text
1	declarative	s	At first, you made a very small amount more than I did. Then after a year or two you made much more than I did.
2	declarative	s	I think Tom said it a little better than I did. In fact, he said it a lot better than I did.
3	declarative	ns	I'll feel probably 90% better than I did last week. In fact, maybe 100% better than I did.
4	declarative	ns	Today, I know a little bit more than I did when I started. And in a few weeks, I'll know way more than I did.
5	declarative	s	You worked harder than I did, and you worked longer than I did.
6	declarative	s	Tom knew more than I did, and he remembered more than I did.
7	declarative	ns	I feel generally more pessimistic now than I did as a kid, and I feel more conservative than I did as a kid, as well.
8	declarative	ns	I felt more comfortable onstage than I did offstage. And I felt more confident onstage than I did offstage.
9	declarative	s	There were a lot of photographers who would shoot more than I did.
10	declarative	s	He saw the situation differently than I did.
11	declarative	ns	I learned more in the last three hours than I did in the last three years of high school.
12	declarative	ns	I've been traveling more than I did when I was playing full time, so it's time to slow down.

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13	interrogative	s	Why would anyone stay there longer than I did?
14	interrogative	s	How can I help my kids to achieve more than I did?
15	interrogative	ns	Why do I have more energy today than I did the day before?
16	interrogative	ns	How can I find time to visit my family this year more than I did last year?