

Appendix D: Juncture perception experiment instructions in English

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INSTRUCTIONS

Our experiment looks at how native speakers of English understand and remember sentences.

You will listen to a series of sentences and you will have 2 tasks:

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YOUR 2 TASKS

First, listen carefully and pay attention to the meaning of each sentence. That is, understand it, just as you would in an everyday situation.

Make sure you understand each sentence. You will be tested on your comprehension of them at the end of the experiment.

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Second, it's important to note that, when we speak, we not only convey meaning through the words we use, but also through the **WAY** in which we speak.

For every sentence, choose the **CORRECT** meaning intended by the speaker **AS FAST AS YOU CAN**.

In this experiment, you will see a screen where you can choose the correct meaning by pressing the **LEFT BUTTON** or the **RIGHT BUTTON**.

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Let's practise through some examples!

REMEMBER:

- 1) Make sure you **UNDERSTAND** the meaning of each sentence.
- 2) Press the **CORRECT** button as **QUICKLY AS YOU CAN** when you know the correct meaning.

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LEFT BUTTON

The man helped the dog bite the victims

RIGHT BUTTON

The man helped the victims who were bitten by dogs

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Did you understand the sentence?

Did you push the correct button as soon as you understood the sentence?

Correct answer – **RIGHT BUTTON**: The man helped the victims who were bitten by dogs

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LEFT

The man helped the
dog bite the victims

RIGHT

The man helped the
victims who were
bitten by dogs

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Did you understand this sentence?

Did you push the correct button as soon as
you understood the sentence?

Now let's practice on the **SAME** sentence
with a different meaning

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LEFT

The man helped the
dog bite the victims

RIGHT

The man helped the
victims who were
bitten by dogs

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In this case, the **LEFT BUTTON** is the
correct answer: The man helped the dog
bite the victims

So you must listen carefully to the **WAY** the
sentence is produced

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RECOGNITION TEST

Did you hear the following sentences?

1. The man helped the victims who were bitten by dogs.
YES NO
2. The woman helped the dogs bitten by cats.
YES NO
3. The man helped the dogs who were abandoned by their owners.
YES NO
4. The man helped the dog-bite victims.
YES NO

--- Push the **GREEN BUTTON** to see the **ANSWERS** ---

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ANSWERS

Did you hear the following sentences?

1. The man helped the victims who were bitten by dogs.
YES NO
2. The woman helped the dogs bitten by cats.
YES NO
3. The man helped the dogs who were abandoned by their owners.
YES NO
4. The man helped the dog-bite victims.
YES NO

--- Push the **GREEN BUTTON** to continue ---

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--- Practice Complete ---

**ARE YOU READY TO DO THE ACTUAL
EXPERIMENT?**

(This is your chance to take a rest)

--- Push the GREEN BUTTON to begin ---

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--- Push the GREEN BUTTON to begin ---