

Information Sheet

English Literature, Language and Linguistics

Study title:	Word guessing experiment
Principal Investigator:	Dr Christine Cuskley
Researcher collecting current data:	Laura Taylor (Linguistics MA student at Newcastle University)

What is this document? This document explains what kind of study we're doing, what your rights are, and what will be done with your data. If there are any special benefits or risks, they will be explained here. Please read the information carefully and retain it for your records.

Nature of the study: You are about to participate in a study which aims to study sound-meanings correspondences in several languages using a simple guessing game. You can play as long as you like; guessing all the items should take 10-15 minutes. You will be given full instructions before the study begins.

Compensation: There are no known risks to participation in this study. The only benefits to you personally are those you draw from contributing to our study.

Confidentiality: All of your responses are completely anonymous. The data we collect will not be associated with your name or with any other personal details or identifying information. Data is stored in compliance with the Data Protection Act of 1998.

Voluntary participation: Your participation is voluntary and you may stop playing at any time for any reason. To stop at any time, simply close the browser. You can return later and your progress will be saved. Any responses you provide to this point will have been recorded; if you wish to withdraw your responses after participating, contact the experimenters.

Contact information: This research is being conducted by Laura Taylor at Newcastle University, overseen by Dr Christine Cuskley. Contact Dr Christine Cuskley ([christine.cuskley \[at\] ncl.ac.uk](mailto:christine.cuskley@ncl.ac.uk)) for questions or to report a research-related problem. Contact Newcastle University Research Ethics at res.policy@ncl.ac.uk if you have concerns regarding your rights as a participant in the research

By agreeing to these terms, you consent:

- to the anonymous response data you produce may be kept permanently in research archives at Newcastle University, and used for the specific research project which made them.
- to your anonymous data being used by the above-named researcher(s) as well as by other qualified researchers, for teaching or research purposes, in professional presentations and publications.
- to your anonymous data being included in aggregate data released as part of scholarly publication.
- that you understand you have the right to terminate my participation at any point. If you choose to withdraw formally, your data will be deleted.