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Consent to Participate in Internet Research

Identification of Investigator and Purpose of Study

You are invited to participate in a research study, entitled “Narrative Learning, Emotion, and Memory.” The study is being conducted by David Schnyer, Ph.D. Of The University of Texas at Austin: Department of Psychology, (512) 475-8499, schnyer@utexas.edu, and by Nicholas Griffin, of The University of Texas at Austin: Department of Psychology, (512) 471-4507, ngriffin@utexas.edu.

The purpose of the study is to try to better understand the effects of emotion and event narratives on memory performance and the neural mechanisms underlying these memories. You are free to contact the investigator at the above address and phone number to discuss the study. You must be at least 18 years old to participate.

If you agree to be in this study, we will ask you to do the following:

- You will first complete an online eligibility screening. This screening will take approximately 5 minutes. You will not be compensated for completing the screening survey.
- For the screening, you will be asked to complete a measure of basic health and demographic questions, and depressive feelings and behaviors.
- If you are eligible for the study, you will be asked come to lab space in the SEA Psychology Building at the University of Texas at Austin to participate in the study. During the study, you will read prose, listen to instrumental music, complete a word learning task, and/or complete a multiple choice assessment.
- You will view text stimuli and answer questions about those stimuli using the mouse and keyboard.
- You will sign a separate consent form before participating in experiment sessions.

Risks/Benefits/Confidentiality of Data

Risks of being in the study are minimal. There are no known risks to behavioral testing of learning, attention, and memory other than minimal fatigue resulting from reading and responding to questions.

If you wish to discuss the information above or any other risks you may experience, you may ask questions now or call the Principal Investigator listed on the front page of this form.

Benefits of being in the study - There will be no direct benefit to you by undergoing these procedures, other than the satisfaction of having assisted with research. The knowledge gained from this study could be beneficial for understanding the relationship between emotion, text learning, and memory.

Confidentiality. Data will be stored on secure data disk arrays located in SEA 3.312 on the campus at UT Austin. The primary reference field will be a study number and any personal information linking a participant to data will be maintained in a manually generated log,

which is stored in a locked cabinet in 3.312. All paperwork will be protected to the extent provided by law.

The records of this study will be stored securely and kept confidential. Authorized persons from The University of Texas at Austin, members of the Institutional Review Board, and (study sponsors, if any) have the legal right to review your research records and will protect the confidentiality of those records to the extent permitted by law. All publications will exclude any information that will make it possible to identify you as a subject. Throughout the study, the researchers will notify you of new information that may become available and that might affect your decision to remain in the study.

Participation or Withdrawal

Your participation in this study is voluntary. You may decline to answer any question and you have the right to withdraw from participation at any time. Withdrawal will not affect your relationship with The University of Texas in any way. If you do not want to participate either simply stop participating or close the browser window.

Compensation:

Introductory psychology students: Individuals will receive credit for their PSY 301 class for participating in the experiment. Specifically, participants will earn 0.25-2 credit hours (1.0 credits per hour).

Participants from the community: Participants will be compensated \$10 for every hour of behavioral testing, and \$25 for every hour of EEG testing.

Contacts and Questions

If you have any questions about the study please ask now. If you have questions later, want additional information, or wish to withdraw your participation call the researchers conducting the study. Their names, phone numbers, and e-mail addresses are at the top of this page.

If you would like to obtain information about the research study, have questions, concerns, complaints or wish to discuss problems about a research study with someone unaffiliated with the study, please contact The University of Texas at Austin Institutional Review Board for the Protection of Human Subjects at (512) 471-8871. Anonymity, if desired, will be protected to the extent possible. As an alternative method of contact, an email may be sent to orsc@uts.cc.utexas.edu or a letter sent to IRB Administrator, P.O. Box 7426, Mail Code A 3200, Austin, TX 78713.

If you agree to participate, click “Yes” below.

Thank you.

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