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 ---
--- 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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