

Parent's or Guardian's Informed Permission Form
PLEASE READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING

A first-hand experience with laboratory procedures is an educational part of the first course in psychology. At N.Y.U. we take advantage of the need of our faculty researchers for student participation in their studies. Each student is given the opportunity to participate in carefully supervised studies, thus gaining otherwise unobtainable experience with original research in psychology. We have both department and university-wide committees that approve studies for our students. These committees are very exacting in enforcing high ethical standards. Each of the research projects contains safeguards designed to protect the rights and welfare of the students who participate. All records are confidential, so the privacy of the student's data is protected.

The Study: Your child, _____, is invited to take part in a study named People and Behavior I. It is being conducted by Adil Saribay who is the principal investigator. He can be reached at 6 Washington Place, Room 766, 212-998-7809, sas386@nyu.edu. The faculty sponsor of this work is Prof. Uleman who can be reached at 6 Washington Place, Room 753, New York, NY 10003, 212-998-7821, jim.uleman@nyu.edu.

Its Purpose: The study is designed to learn more about how people process behavioral information about others, when presented along with photographs of these people.

Its Procedures: If you give permission for your child to be in this study, he or she will be asked to do the following: S/he will be presented, on the computer, with photographs of individuals with captions underneath each one, and s/he will be asked to memorize the information that is shown. Later in the experiment, s/he will be asked to use this information in other ways. Your child's participation will take about an hour for which s/he will receive 1 credit.

Its Benefits: Although your child will receive no direct benefits for participation in this study, it may make your child more aware of how knowledge is discovered in psychology and help the investigator better understand how people process behavioral information about others, when presented along with photographs of these people.

Its Risks: There are no known risks associated with this study.

Privacy: Confidentiality of your child's research records will be strictly maintained by making sure that your child's name and personal information is not associated with the data collected from him or her. Only researchers will have access to data, which will be destroyed by shredding, 5 years after publication, as recommended by APA.

Consent: Participation in this study is completely voluntary. Non-participation or withdrawal will not affect your child's grade or academic standing in any way. Further, once participating, he or she may withdraw at any time and still receive any credit offered in exchange for that participation.

Debriefing: On completing the study your child will receive a thorough written explanation of it that you may ask to see.

The information above has satisfied me such that I agree that my child may participate in your study. If I have any additional questions or want to report a problem, I may reach the researcher, Adil Saribay, or his/her Faculty Sponsor, Prof. Uleman, at their contacts provided above. For questions about my child's rights as a research participant, I may contact the University Committee on Activities Involving Human Subjects (UCAIHS), Office of Sponsored Programs, NYU, (212) 998-2121. I have received a copy of this permission document to keep.

Permission Granted for my Child's Participation

Parent's or Guardian's Signature

Date

