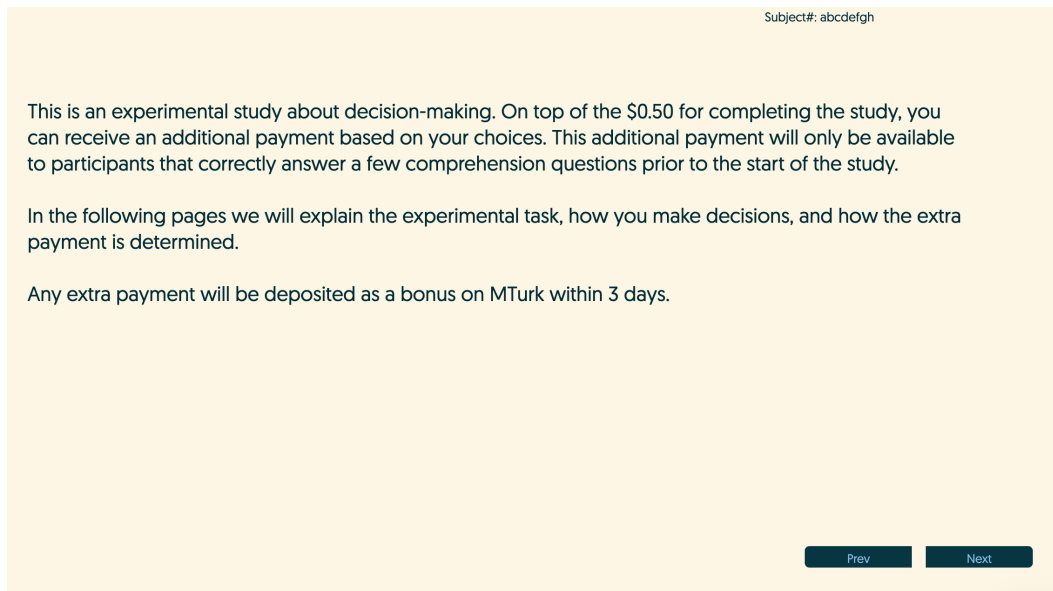
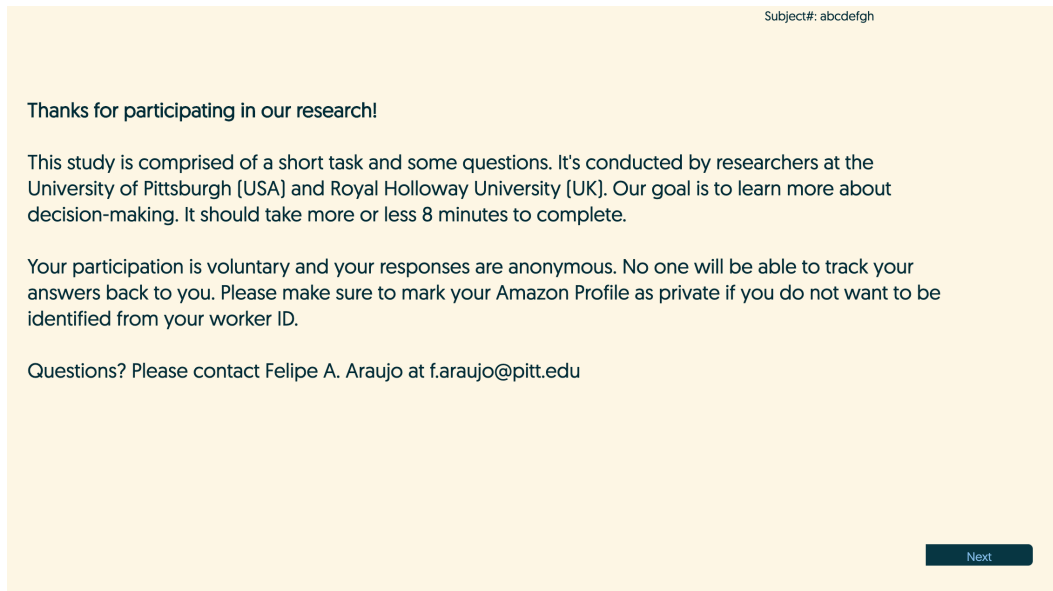


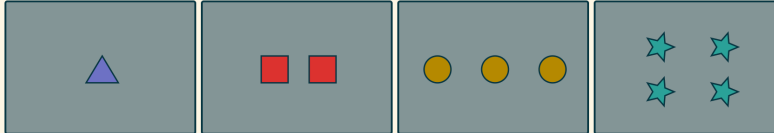
APPENDIX A. SCREENSHOTS AND INSTRUCTIONS

A.1. First Stage Experiments. Screenshots for first-stage experiments. Different states of the same stage are indicated by sub-captions.



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- the same for all three cards, or,
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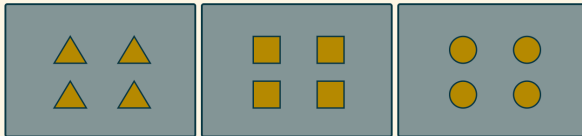
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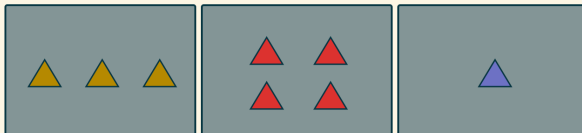
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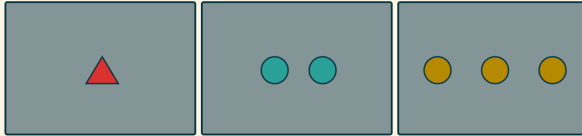
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Even though the middle and right-most cards have circles, the left-most card has a triangle. Hence, for the attribute symbol, the cards are neither all the same nor all different. Note that the cards are all different with respect to color and number.

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There will be two rounds in the experiment, and in each round you will see a 12-card deck that was randomly selected from a larger list of 12-card decks. You will have 120 seconds to form SETs in each round. You can form a SET by clicking on the cards to select, and you can click a selected card to un-select it.

If you select 3 cards that form a SET, it will be registered on the right side of your screen. If you select 3 cards that do not form a SET, you will incur a 5-second penalty. And if you select the same SET more than once, you will also incur a 5-second penalty. Therefore, you should not randomly click on cards in the hopes of finding a SET.

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(A-1) Quiz stage with no answers

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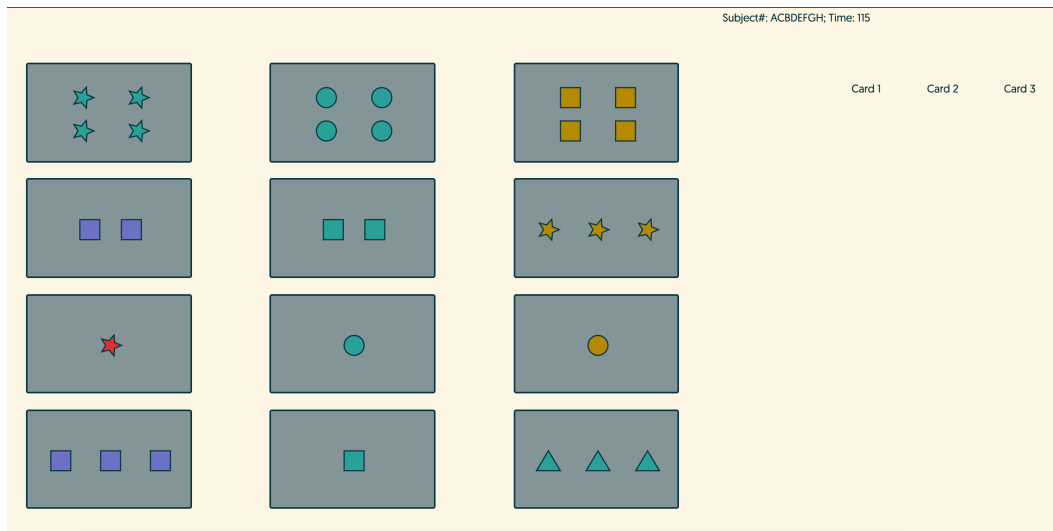
(A-2) Quiz stage with 4 correct answers

Congratulations! You passed the comprehension quiz and will now move on to the main part of the study.

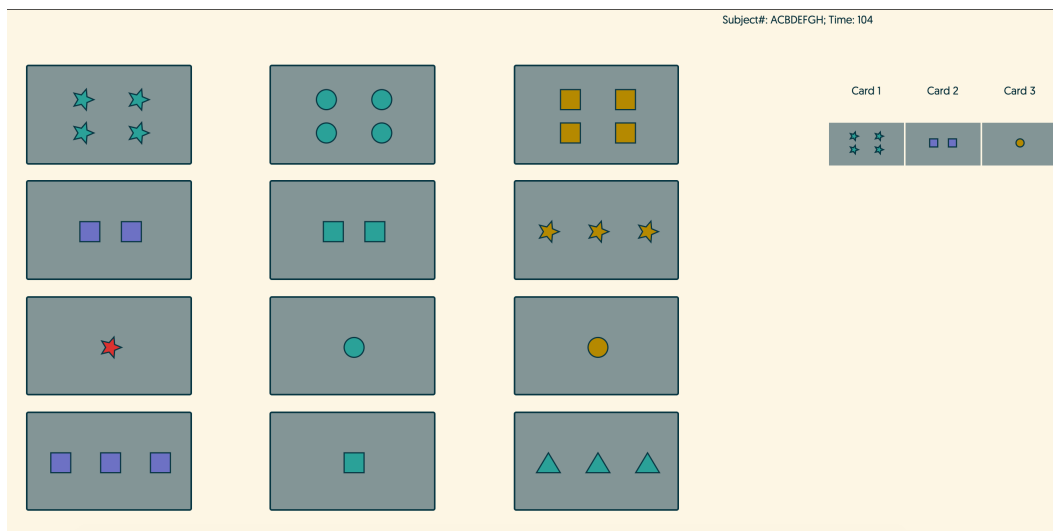
The study consists of 2 rounds and in each round you will have 120 seconds to form SETs. You will be paid an additional \$0.10 per correct SET. After 2 rounds, you'll be asked to complete a brief survey. Finally, you will receive your Mturk completion code.

Any extra amount you earn will be paid via a bonus on MTurk within 3 days.

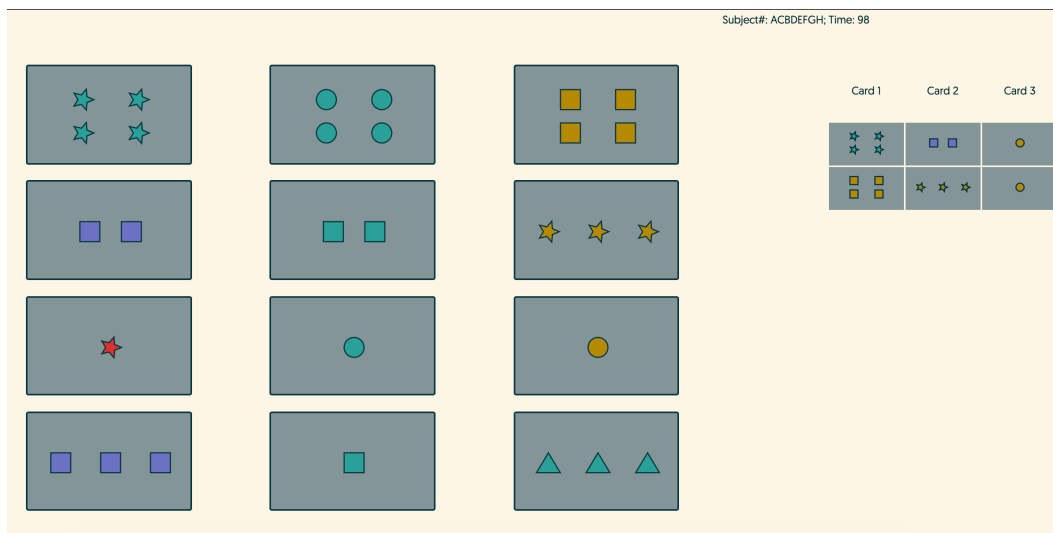
Click on the SUBMIT button to begin.



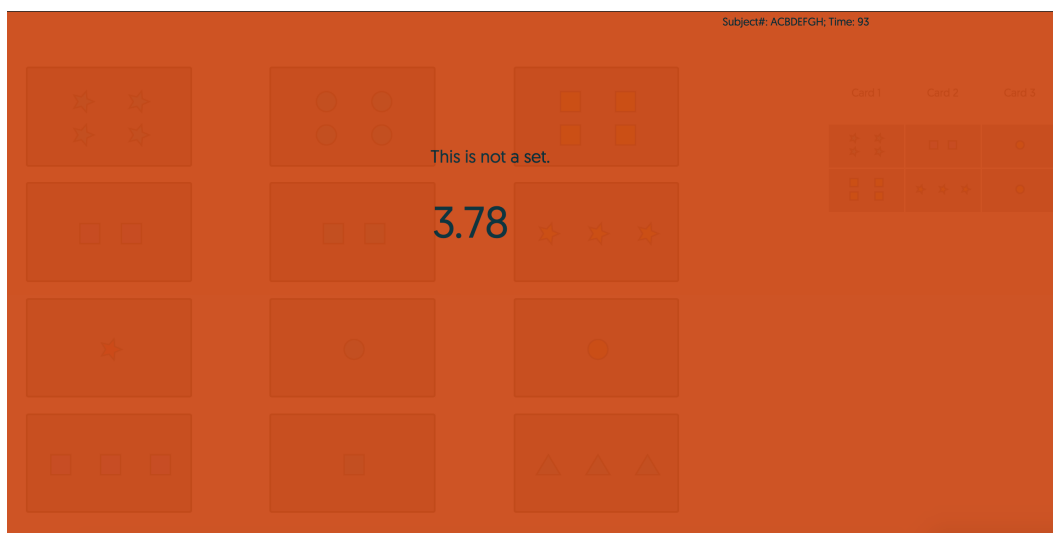
(B-1) Initial screen for round 1



(B-2) Screen indicating 1 set found



(B-3) Screen indicating 2 sets found



(B-4) Example of 5-second time penalty

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In the last round you found 2 SETs.

If you answer the following question within 5% of the true value, you will receive an additional \$0.50.

Of all possible SETs from the previous round, what percentage, from 0 to 100%, do you believe you found?: %

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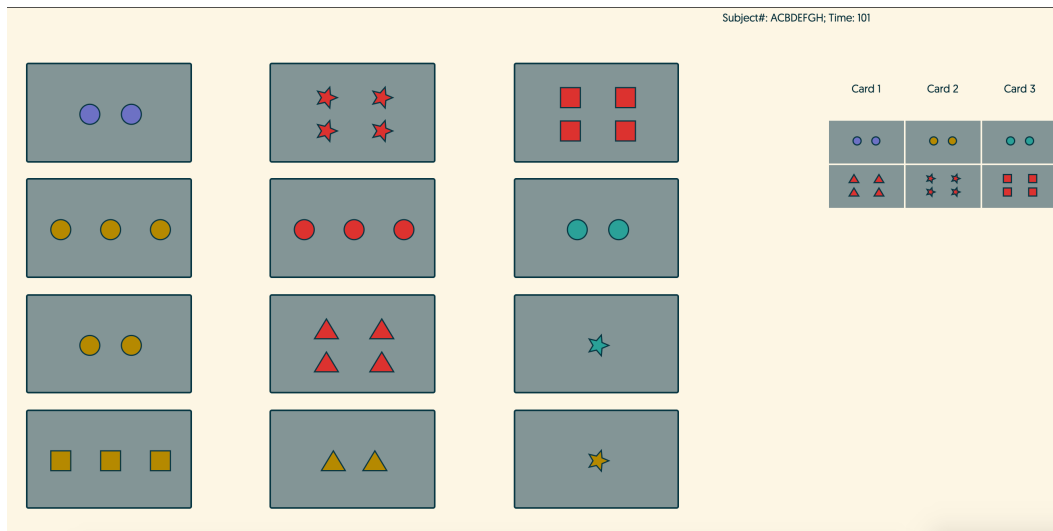
Subject#: ACBDEFGH; Time: 115

Card 1

Card 2

Card 3

(C-1) Initial screen for round 2



(C-2) Screen indicating 2 sets found

Subject#: ACBDEFGH

In the last round you found 2 SETs.

If you answer the following question within 5% of the true value, you will receive an additional \$0.50.

Of all possible SETs from the previous round, what percentage, from 0 to 100%, do you believe you found?: %

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Age: ☒ 18-30 ☐ 31-45 ☐ 46-65 ☐ 65+

Gender: ☒ Female ☐ Male ☐ Other

Highest degree completed so far: ☒ High School ☐ Some College ☐ Bachelors ☐ Masters ☐ Ph.D.

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Thank you.
In round 1 you found 2 of 23 sets: 9%; your assement was 60%.
In round 2 you found 2 of 23 sets: 9%; your assement was 40%.
You received a survey bonus of \$0.00.

You total payment is \$0.90.

Please enter the following paycode on Amazon M-Turk:

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A.2. Main Experiments. Screenshots for main experiments. Different states of the same stage — and different treatments — are indicated by sub-captions.

Subject#: AZCDGhz

Thanks for participating in our research!

This study is comprised of two short tasks. It's conducted by researchers at the University of Pittsburgh [USA] and Royal Holloway University [UK]. Our goal is to learn more about decision-making. It should take around 8 minutes to complete.

Your participation is voluntary and your responses are anonymous. No one will be able to track your answers back to you. Please make sure to mark your Amazon Profile as private if you do not want to be identified from your worker ID.

Questions? Please contact Felipe A. Araujo at f.araujo@pitt.edu

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This is an experimental study about decision-making. On top of the \$0.50 for completing the study, you can receive additional payments based on your choices. The additional payments will only be available to participants that correctly answer a few comprehension questions prior to the start of the study.

You will complete two tasks in today's experiment. In the next pages we'll give you details about Task 1. We will explain how you make decisions and how the payment for Task 1 is determined.

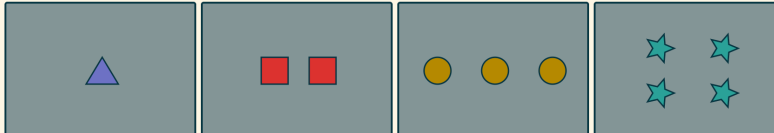
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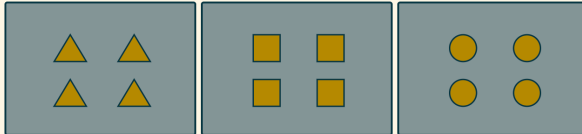
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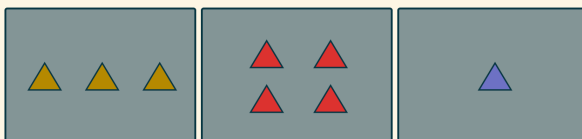
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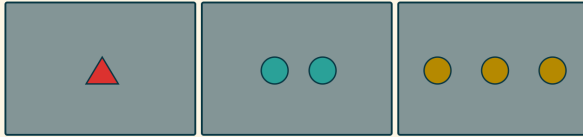
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Congratulations! You passed the comprehension quiz and will move on to the main part of the study.

In Task 1 you will have 120 seconds to form SETs. You will be paid an additional \$0.10 per correct SET.

After completing Task 1 you will receive instructions for Task 2. Following Task 2, you will be asked to answer a few survey questions. Finally, you will receive your Mturk completion code.

Any extra amount you earn will be paid via a bonus on MTurk within 5 days.

Click on the SUBMIT button to begin.

SUBMIT

You have found 1 of 28 sets.

The grid contains the following cards:

- Row 1: Two teal triangles; One red star; Four blue stars.
- Row 2: Three orange squares; Three blue circles; One yellow star.
- Row 3: Three purple squares; One red circle; Two teal stars.
- Row 4: One yellow triangle; Four red triangles; Four yellow stars.

To the right of the grid, three cards are labeled:

- Card 1: Two teal triangles.
- Card 2: Three orange squares.
- Card 3: One red circle.

(A-1) Treatment *full information*; 1 set found

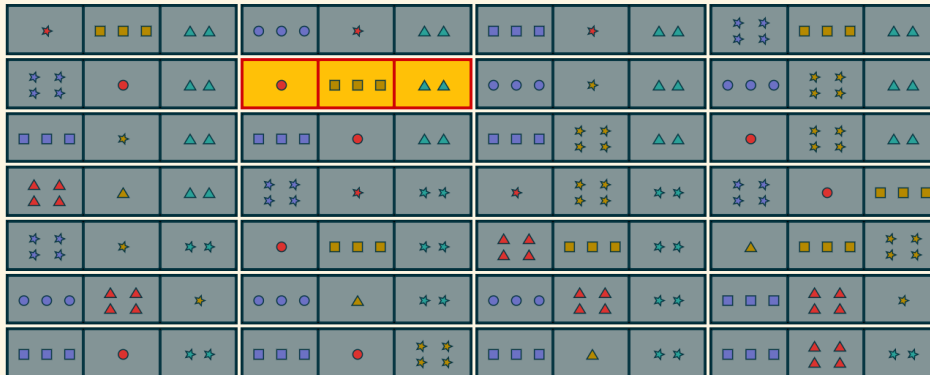
In the last round you found 1 SETs.

Of all possible sets from the previous round, what percentage, from 0 to 100%, do you believe you found?
Please indicate your answer using the slider below:
??%

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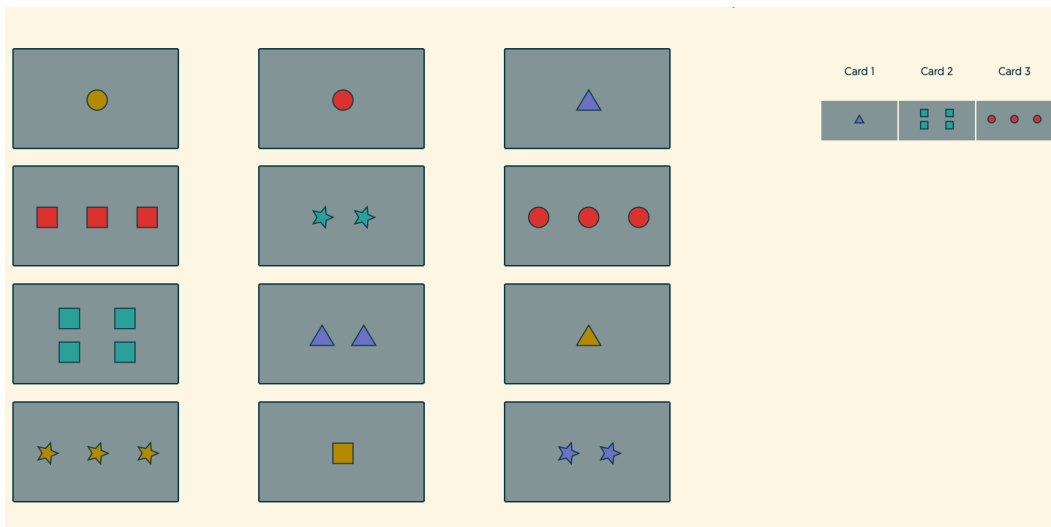
(A-2) Belief elicitation

You found 1 out of 28 sets.



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(A-3) Treatment *full information*; feedback screen



(B-1) Treatment *unawareness*; 1 set found

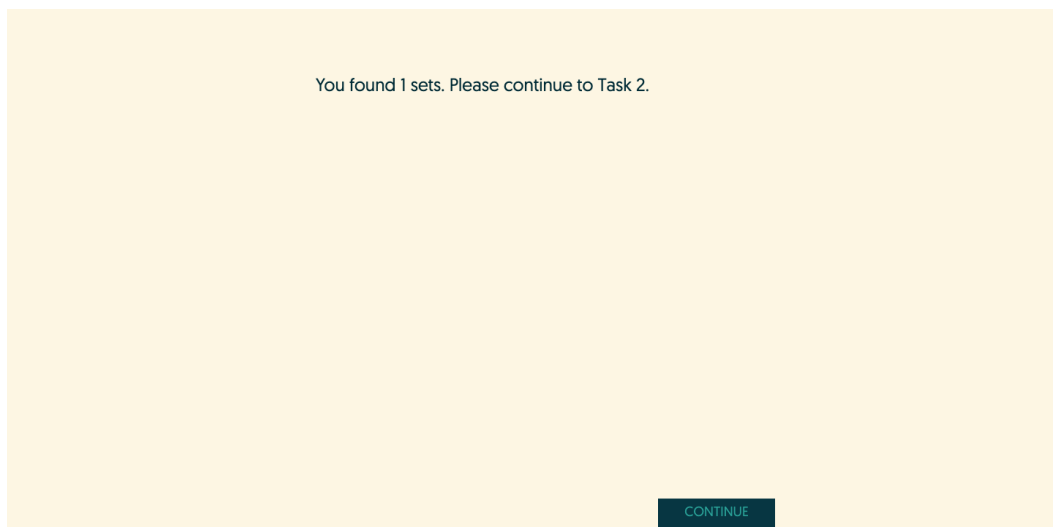
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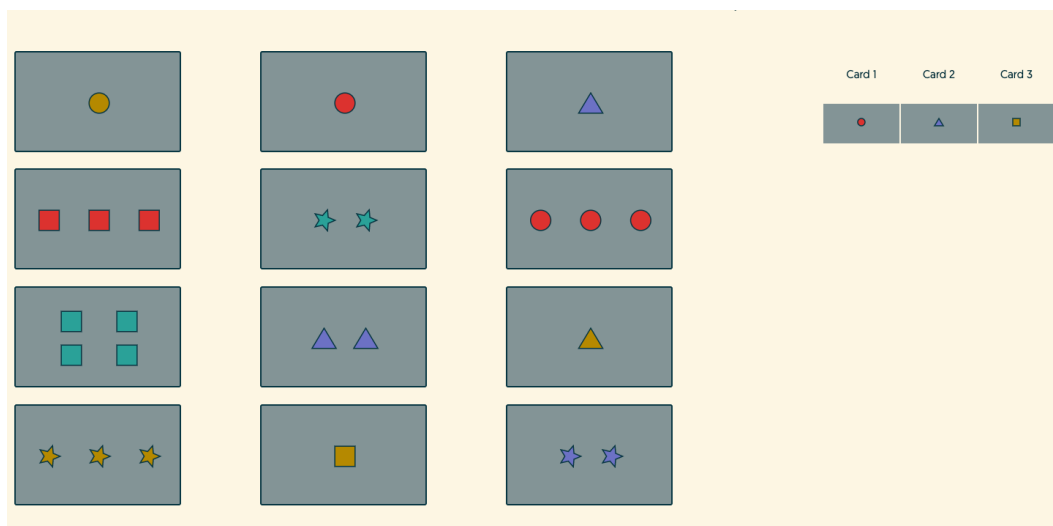
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(B-2) Belief elicitation



(B-3) Treatment *unawareness*; feedback screen



(C-1) Treatment *unawareness-info*; 1 set found

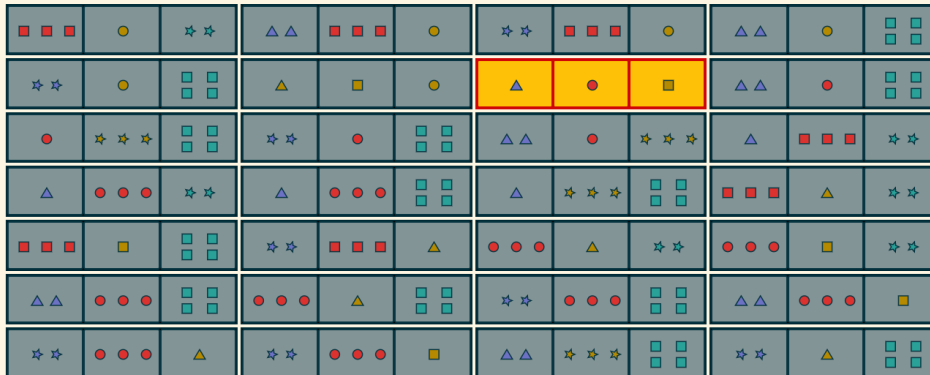
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(C-2) Belief elicitation

You found 1 out of 28 sets.



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(C-3) Treatment *unawareness-info*; feedback screen

Task 2

How does it work?

1. You just received an additional \$1.00 for passing the comprehension quiz
2. You must decide how much of this additional \$1.00 to **keep safe** and how much to **bet** in a lottery
3. You can bet any amount from \$0.00 to \$1.00

How do you earn money?

The amount of money you make will depend on your choices and on chance. You never lose the amount you **keep safe**, but there are two possible outcomes for the amount you **bet**:

- GOOD outcome: you earn **three times** the amount you bet
- BAD outcome: you **lose** the amount you bet

See examples on the next page.

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Example 1

You bet \$0.10 and **keep safe** the remaining \$0.90:

- In the GOOD outcome you end up with $\$0.10 * 3 + \$0.90 = \$1.20$
- In the BAD outcome you end up with \$0.90

Example 2

You bet \$0.90 and **keep safe** the remaining \$0.10:


- In the GOOD outcome you end up with $\$0.90 * 3 + \$0.10 = \$2.80$
- In the BAD outcome you end up with \$0.10

The next page explains the chance component of the lottery.


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We will toss a virtual and fair coin to determine which outcome happens.

If the coin turns up heads, the GOOD outcome happens.



If the coin turns up tails, the BAD outcome happens.




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(D-1) Treatment with *neutral* risk task

Recall that you found 1 SETs out of 28 possible SETs.

Below you can see 2 SETs, half of which you found and half of which you did not find.



We'll randomly select one of the 2 SETs, where each SET has the same chance of being selected.

- If the randomly selected SET is one you found, the GOOD outcome happens.
- If the randomly selected SET is not one you found, the BAD outcome happens.

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(D-2) Treatment with *context* risk task

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The actual randomization will be done using public and verifiable means. Specifically, it will use future results from the Pennsylvania Lottery.

For more details, please e-mail Felipe A. Araujo at f.araujo@pitt.edu or check this study registration at the American Economic Association website.

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Please use the slider to decide how much of the 100 cents to **bet** and how much to **keep safe**.



Keep safe:

??

Bet

??

If randomly selected **SET** is one you found, you will make: ??
Otherwise, you will make: ??

Instructions

Submit

Please use the slider to decide how much of the 100 cents to **bet** and how much to **keep safe**.



Keep safe:
30

Bet
70

If randomly selected **SET** is one you found, you will make: $\$0.70 \times 3 + \$0.30 = \$2.40$
Otherwise, you will make: $\$0.30$

[Instructions](#)[Submit](#)

What is the chance of the GOOD outcome occurring?

Please enter a number between 0 and 100, where 0 means 0% chance and 100 means 100% chance.

If you get this question right, you will receive an additional \$0.50 as bonus on Mturk.

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Please answer a few questions about yourself

Age:

☒ 18-30 ☐ 31-45 ☐ 46-65 ☐ 65+

Gender:

☒ Female ☐ Male ☐ Other

Highest degree completed so far:

☒ High School ☐ Some College ☐ Bachelors ☐ Masters ☐ Ph.D.

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Thank you!

Any bonus payments will be made within 5 days.

Please enter the following paycode on Amazon M-Turk:

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APPENDIX B. TABLES AND GRAPHS

TABLE B.5. Effect of probability assessment on betting behavior

	OLS		Tobit	
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
Constant	29.91*** (5.75)	32.38*** (11.89)	25.26*** (7.96)	19.57 (15.87)
Probability assessment	.16 (.11)	.15 (.13)	.21 (.15)	.22 (.16)
Controls		X		X
N	431	430	431	430

Note: Figures are derived from OLS and Tobit regressions of share of endowment bet on the objective probability assessment. Controls include hand fixed-effects and dummies for age group (18-35, 36-45, 46-65, and 65+), education level (high-school, some college, college, and masters+) and gender.

*** $p < 0.01$ ** $p < 0.05$ * $p < 0.10$