

Experiment Result Sheets

So as to control for recording errors separate sheets were made for the sender and agent; the sheets uploaded here are a composite and were checked for errors by Adrian Parker and later again by Anneli Goulding and a Danish visiting researcher Ulla Bovald.

Under receiver there is an initial encircled and this refers to the main experimenter sitting with the receiver and who helped them make judgments (e.g., H = Helena and A = Adrian). There are also small initials referring to the recruitment groups NA = New Age and PA Paranormal experience. Stud = student (no criteria).

From session 61 onwards there are initials under Sender, which refer to the assistant experimenter who sat with the sender.

In trials from 61-90 there is also encircled R - these are previous successful participants who were asked to return for a further session - most often also successful.

There some trials where the experimenters decided in advance of outcome should be discounted as non-trials – this rule was strictly followed and mostly concerned those who had no mentation or did not like ganzfeld and broke off and those who feel asleep and remembered nothing. These are either marked non-trial or avbryter/avbröts - with a line thru them and a signature Avbryta = off break / break off in Swedish.

Sender's and receiver's names have been removed from the sheet for reasons of privacy and data protection. These are not included in the spreadsheet except for some of the later experiments where the experimenters acted as senders.

In some cases the dates of experiments is not sequential, an example being that experiments 107 and 108 are dated before experiment 106. Regarding this particular instance, Adrian Parker writes: "There is a gap here marking when Andrea Fredriksson became seriously ill and had to withdraw from the experiment. Although I don't have a clear memory of this, I believe the explanation for the non-sequential dates is that either I found two trials she had not entered into the composite list and added these, but more likely is that I made up the composite list from the data files and simply got these two out of sequence."

Experiment Results Sheet - Version 2

This second, later, version was prepared by Anneli Goulding for James Spottiswoode, who had requested trial-level data with dates and times. The sender and receiver mentation files all had the time and date recorded - Anneli went to these in order to get the time.

Anneli has corrected the date for experiment 1 from 960706 to 950706. She made also a couple of other changes in dates having access to the sender and receiver records.

Data Spreadsheet

The data spreadsheet was created by keying data from versions 1 and 2 of the experiment result sheets. Adrian Ryan keyed the data. The data was keyed twice for verification. Adrian Parker answered some questions in cases where the data on the form was unclear.

Spreadsheet Columns

Time – The time that the experiment was conducted. (This is the time that was booked for the session to begin. Ganzfeld induction began, on average about 20-30 minutes later.) Times are local time. (Experiments were conducted in the basement of the Psychology Department, Sweden.)

Experiment ID – Uniquely identifies the experiments. Experiments are not necessarily sequential in time, see notes above.

Date – The date the experiment was conducted.

Returning Participant? – R indicates returning participant (individuals invited back for new sessions in order to see if they could replicate their initial success). Applies only to experiments 61 to 90.

Recruitment Group – NA = New Age; PA, PE, PAE = Paranormal Experience; Stud = Student (no Criteria); Stud PE and PE Stud = Student with Paranormal Experience; Udda = Odd (meaning the participant did not belong to any group - neither normal nor PE)

Receiver's Assistant – Main experimenters: A, AP = Adrian Parker; H, HJ = Helena Johansson, AnP, AN = Anneli Persson (now Anneli Goulding). Psychology student experimenters: AF = Andrea F.; CP = Charlie P.; PJ = Pernilla J.; S = Sarah.

Sender – The sender, in cases where the experimenter acted as the sender. Adrian, Andrea, Sarah. Relevant only for experiments 61 onwards.

Sender's Assistant – Values as per Receiver's Assistant.

Target

Rank

Rating