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How to begin:

1. Open a web browser on the desired computer (preferred is FireFox).
2. Go to the URL at the top and type <http://webpages.csus.edu/~jrc74/> and press enter. The screen should like below.



3. On the pull down menu, select which group your participants will be engaging in. Either:
 - a. Control
 - b. Experiment 1
 - c. Experiment 2
 - d. Etc...
 - i. Each experiment (and the control) has its own setup and unique administration of the game experience.
4. The screen, once you select the proper group, should like below.



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5. Go to the VIEW menu and deselect the following:
 - a. VIEW > Status Bar
 - b. VIEW > Tool Bar > Navigation Tool bar, Bookmark Toolbar, (and all others).
6. Make sure the window is maximized to the full WINDOW.
7. PRESS F11 for the final adjustment (you can press F11 to get the menu's back)

YOU DO NOT NEED THIS ANYMORE (IGNORE SECTION)

How to select their USER ID:

8. Next, you must select a RANDOM number for their ID pulled from the ID page of this manual. Please **SCRATCH OUT and DATE** as you use them. Please follow these instructions on how to do it properly:
 - a. Please use the scratch paper provided to TAPE this onto their monitor in the **UPPER RIGHT HAND CORNER**
 - b. We have group codes that are to be used as the FIRST TWO digits if their ID. This identifies, for us, which group they participated in. The group ID's can be found in the section titled "Random ID" just before the random sequences. An example would be:
 - i. Experiment 1 Subject ID should look like this:
 1. Experiment 1 = 23
 2. The random number is 584 (no one else will get this number not even in another experiment or control group)
 3. WHAT YOU WRITE IS:
 - a. 23-584 or 23584 is fine as well (the format can be xx-xxx or xxxxx, either is fine)

IGNORE THE ABOVE SECTION! SEE BELOW FOR EDITING PAGES and TROUBLE SHOOTING.

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What to do if something goes wrong:

9. First, don't panic – it's OK. These things happen while doing research.
10. Next, let's fix it!
 - a. First things first – close ALL WEB WINDOWS and start over. This will solve 99% of the problems.
 - b. If it does not, then you will need to check a few things:
 - i. Do you have internet connection?
 1. Verify by trying to go to another website like www.google.com or something else. If not – then the experiment must stop, internet connection is required.
 - ii. Did you enter the correct URL?
 1. <http://webpages.csus.edu/~jrc74/>
 - a. The last part reads ".../~jrc74/"
 - iii. Is there a bug or glitch that is preventing completion?
 1. If this is the case, please call Justin Carroll at 916 628 4204 for trouble shooting support. More than likely though, if the above does not fix the problem, the experiment will not be able to be follow through.
 2. There is another option, which in the event that one experiment is not working, you may direct the participants to use one of the other experiments. WARNING: If they have competed almost ALL of the original experiment and THEN something went wrong, DO NOT allow them to do another experiment – these participants will be afflicted with Practice effects and can damage our analysis.

Edit web pages (need to have administrator access)!

1. Go to <ftp://ftp.saclink.csus.edu/web/>
2. Enter your user name and password.
 - a. For this research, you cannot gain access unless you have Justin Carroll log on via his account.