

Final project Visual Thinking and Composition
Leaning to the left makes the Eiffel Tower seem smaller



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Original paper: Leaning to the Left Makes the Eiffel Tower Seem Smaller: Posture-Modulated Estimation

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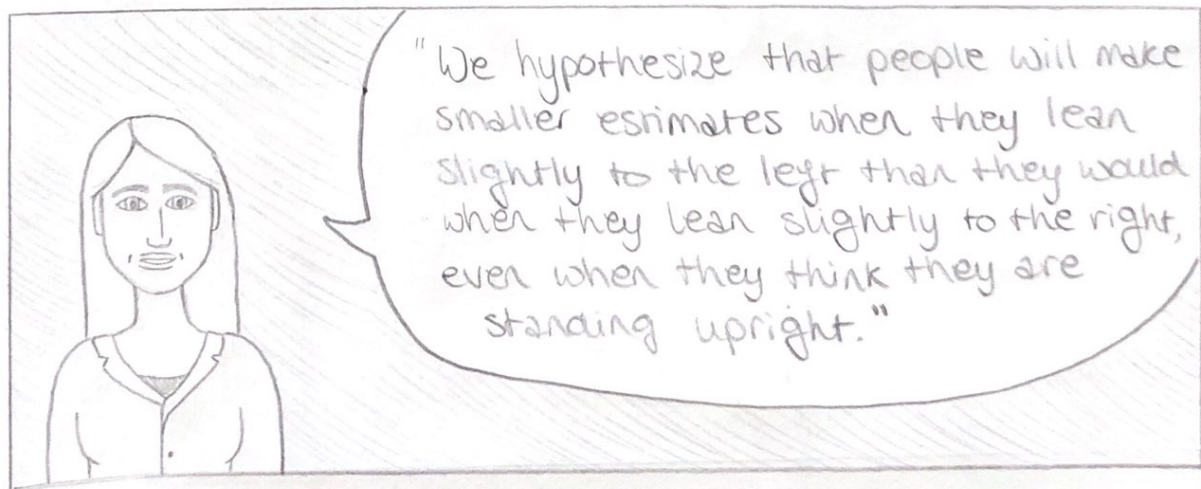
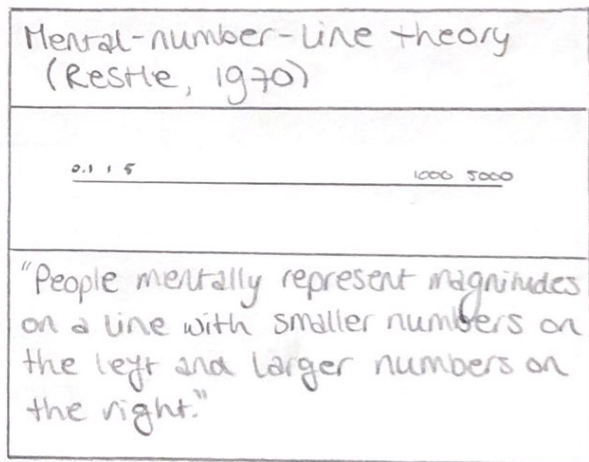
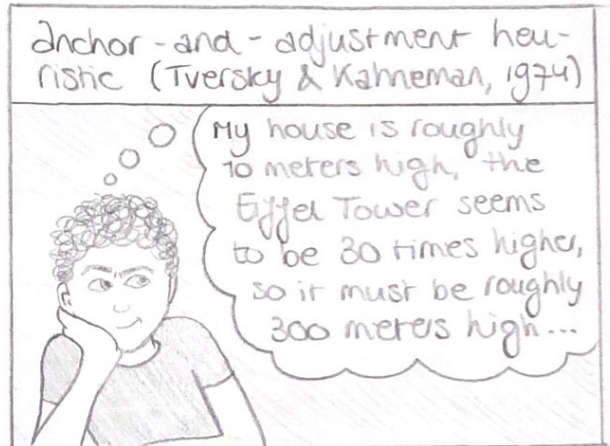
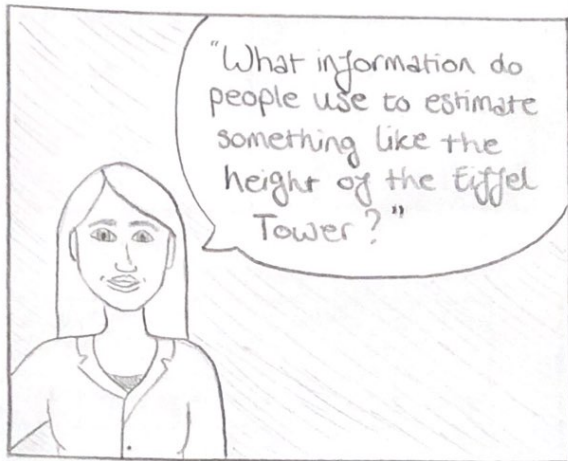
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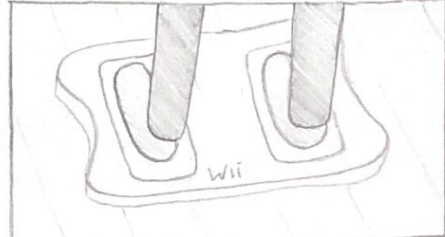
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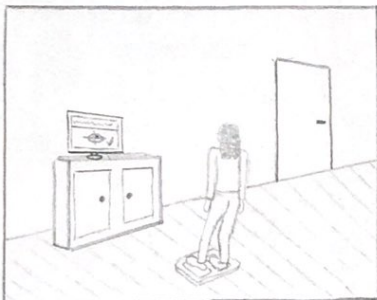
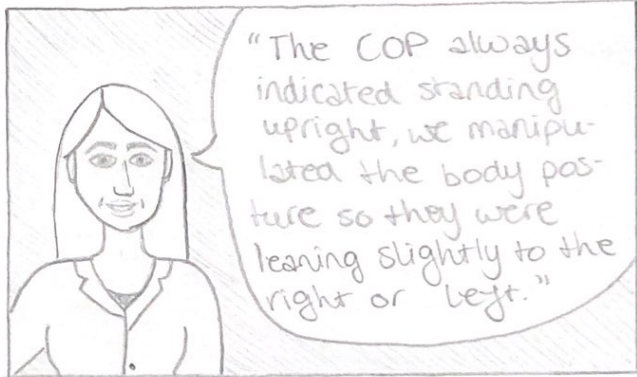
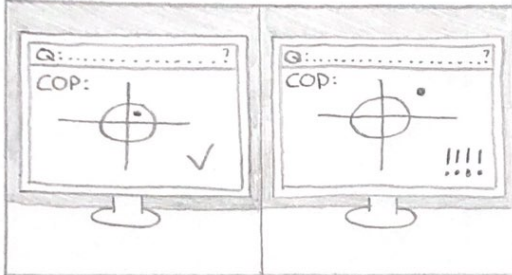
EXPERIMENT 1

33 students who were right-handed, randomly assigned to 1 of 6 lists

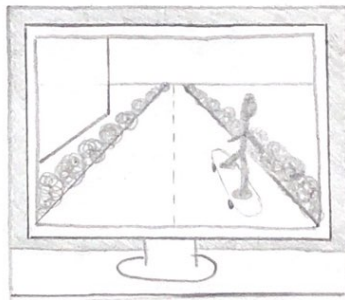


Wii Balance Board measured participants' center of pressure (COP)

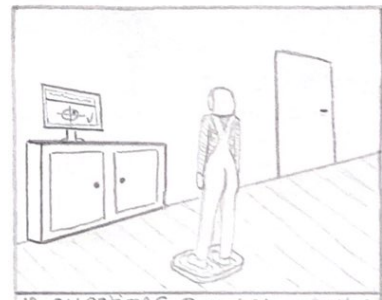
39 QUESTIONS WHILE STANDING ON THE BALANCE BOARD, COP WAS SHOWN ON A COMPUTER SCREEN



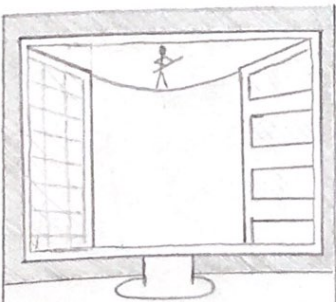
13 questions, e.g. 'How many languages exist?'



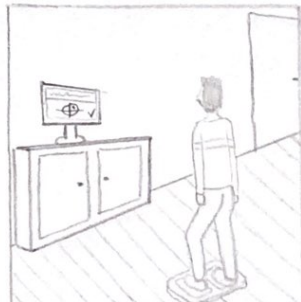
Balance Game



13 questions, e.g. 'What is the percentage of alcohol in traditional vodka?'



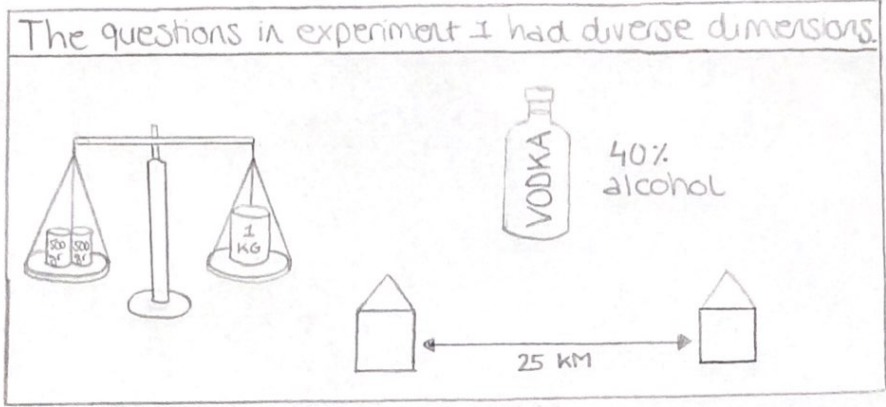
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13 questions, e.g. 'What is the height of the Eiffel Tower?'



EXPERIMENT 2



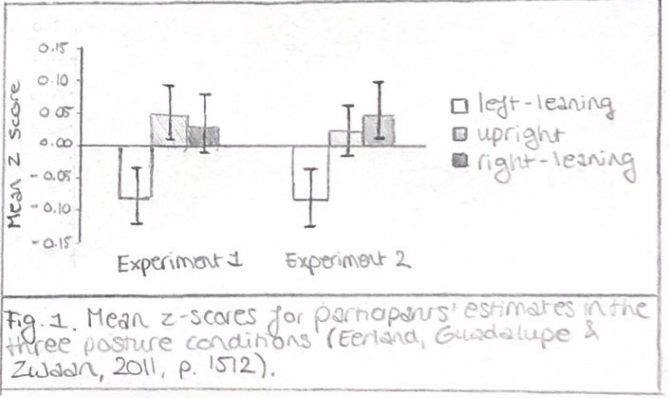
The questions in experiment 2 had answers between 1 and 30

Q: How many grandchildren does queen Beatrix have?

COP:

Results:

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'All participants were right-handed, their neutral stance may already have been right of center. The fact that the neutral stance was used as the upright position, may explain why the results for the upright and right-leaning position were statistically identical.'

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