

CALIFORNIA STATE SCIENCE FAIR 2006 PROJECT SUMMARY

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Project Title

Eye Spy: A "Handy" Game

Abstract

Objectives/Goals

The goal of my project was to see if there was a difference in the number of hidden 3-D pictures ('Magic Eye" pictures) right and left handed persons were able to see.

Methods/Materials

For my experiment I used 25 right handed persons and 25 left handed persons. I also used seven 3-D pictures(2 practice and 5 test pictures), pencils, pens, answer sheets for the subjects to write their answeres on and a spreadsheet program to graph results

Results

Early testing, with 29 subjects, showed that left handed persons could see 2.2 pictures and right handed persons could see 1.5 pictures. However, further testing, with 50 subjects, revealed an even slighter difference. The second round of testing showed that left handed person could see 1.92 pictures and right handed persons could see 1.8 persons. I hope to contuine testing to further enhace my results and provide more accuracy.

Conclusions/Discussion

In conclusion, my hypothesis was supported by my data. I hypotheized that left handed persons would be able to see more pictures than right handed persons and there was a slight difference. Although the reults do show a slight difference in the number of pictures, there are so many variables when testing with humans, that I need to continue testing in hopes of further enhancing my results.

Summary Statement

My project tested right and left handed persons and their ability to see hidden 3-D pictures.

Help Received

My parents supplied materials and the board design.