

Eyewitness Testimony Exercise

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Eyewitness Identification Beliefs Pre-Test

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- True False** 2. People are just as accurate at identifying someone of their own race as they are at identifying someone of a different race.
- True False** 3. When the police stage a lineup, the main suspect is present.
- True False** 4. The language that police use during suspect identification can be misleading.
- True False** 5. If you were assaulted by a person that you got a good look at, recognizing that person again would be easy.
- True False** 6. Eyewitness testimony has few errors.
- True False** 7. To ensure accuracy, eyewitnesses should take an extensive amount of time identifying the person they saw at the scene of the crime.

Lineup Eyewitness ID Test Answer Sheet

Set A

- Test 1 Left Right
- Test 2 Left Right
- Test 3 Left Right
- Test 4 Left Right

Lineup A

1 2 3 4 5 6

Set B

- Test 5 Left Right
- Test 6 Left Right
- Test 7 Left Right
- Test 8 Left Right

Lineup B

1 2 3 4 5 6

How confident are you in your abilities to serve as a credible eyewitness?

extremely NOT confident

neutral

extremely confident

-3

-2

-1

0

+1

+2

+3

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