Challenges and Opportunities in Training Data Collectors on iPad[®] Data Collection

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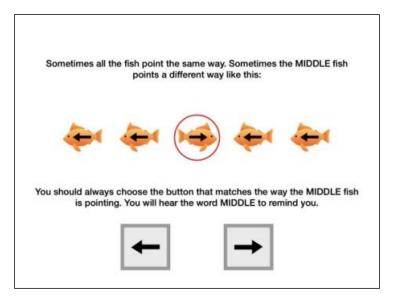
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Background and Goals

• Battery of assessments test:

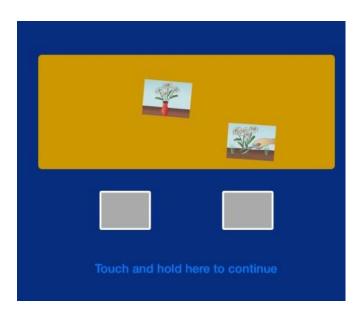
- Executive function
- Cognitive flexibility
- Reaction time
- Episodic memory
- Encouraging completion without influencing performance





Challenges

- Training challenges:
 - Using the iPad
 - Downloading and uploading participant information
 - Interviewing vs. testing
- Administration Challenges
 - Gaining and maintaining cooperation
 - Break off recognition and recovery





Using the iPad

- Challenge:
 - Varying trainee iPad experience
- Solutions:
 - iPad basics module
 - iPad functions and care instructions job aid
 - Worked individually with data collectors

I Pad Air Basics

Sleep/Wake button

You can lock iPad and put it to sleep when you're not using it. When iPad is locked, nothing, happens if you touch the screen, but music continues playing and you can use the volume buttons.



Lock iPad. Press the Sleep/Wake button.

Unlock iPad. Press the Home button or the Sleep/Wake button, then drag the slider that appears onscreen.

Turn iPad on. Hold down the Sleep/Wake button until the Apple lago appears.

After turing the iPad on, press the Home button to access the applications.
Turn iPad off. Hold down the Sleep/Wake button for a few seconds until the slider appears onscreen, then drag the slider.

When you have fininshed administering the Neuro Toolbox to the child participant, please turn it off as this will help conserve battery

If you don't touch the screen for two minutes, iPad locks itself. You can change how long iPad waits to lock itself, or set a passcode to unlock iPad.

Set the auto-lock time. Go to Settings > General > Auto-Lock.

Set a passcode. Go to Settings > Passcode.

Home button

The Home button takes you back to the Home screen at any time. It also provides other convenient shortcuts.

Go to the Home screen. Press the Home button.

On the Home screen, tap an app to open it. See Start from home on page 19.

See apps you've opened. Double-click the Home button when iPad is unlocked, then swipe left or right.



Downloading and Uploading Information

- Virtual Private Network (VPN) use
 - Challenge:
 - Complex participant case upload and download process
 - Solutions:
 - Step-by-step explanatory job aids provided
 - Upload and download process built into certification







Interacting with the Child Participant

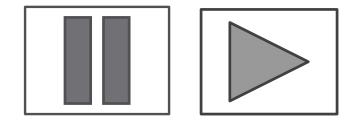
Challenge

- Gaining and maintaining participant cooperation
- Hesitancy to encourage

Solution

• Generous time dedicated to training on neutral feedback



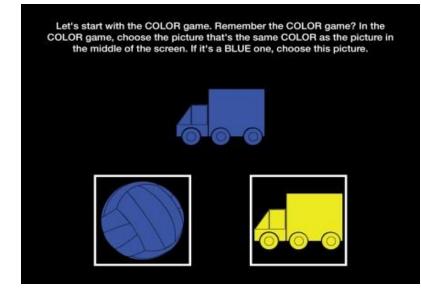




Break Offs

Challenge

- Working with young children
 - Short attention spans
 - Restlessness
- Solution
 - Spending ample time on break off recognition and recovery
 - "Secret Handshake"





Conclusion

- Do not assume proficiency
 - Prepare for diverse levels of experience
- Job aids and practice time
 - Helpful to facilitate understanding
- Neutral feedback and encouragement
 - Absolutely fine and beneficial for completion







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