

You are hereby invited to participate in a research study titled **Second Hand Stories**. This study is being carried out by the LangAge corpora team, University of Potsdam.

The purpose of this research study is to collect stories from personal experience, which are shared and retold in families and among friends. If you agree to take part in this study, you will be asked to answer the questions of an online questionnaire, and to be recorded while doing so. This questionnaire will ask about the origin of your story or stories and some general personal information. It will take you approximately 15 minutes to complete. Although you may not directly benefit from this research, we hope that your participation in the study may improve our understanding of the social value of storytelling. Even if it's one of those stories told over and over again: it has its secret formula!

We believe there are no known risks associated with this research study; however, as with any online related activity the risk of a breach of confidentiality is always possible. To the best of our ability your answers in this study will remain confidential. We will minimize any risks by anonymizing personal information in textual data and audio recordings.

Your participation in this study is completely voluntary and you can withdraw at any time. You are free to skip any question that you choose. If you have questions about this project or if you have a research-related problem, you may contact the interviewer. If you have any questions concerning your rights as a research subject, you may contact the research team.

By signing below you are indicating that you are at least 18 years old, have read and understood this consent form and agree to participate in this research study. We will analyze your data in an anonymized form. Please print a copy of this page for your records. Please upload the signed version in the questionnaire or send it to the research team: langage@uni-potsdam.de.

Yes, I agree No, I do not agree (do not participate in this study)

1. Can we publish the transcript of your story/stories, in an anonymized form?

Yes, I agree No, I do not agree

2. Can we publish the recording of the story online, in an anonymized form?

Yes, I agree No, I do not agree

Role: Interviewer Role: Interviewee

Full name and pseudonym used _____

Email and address (not mandatory) _____

Date and place: _____

Signature: _____