

Hostile Expectancy Violation Paradigm

(Gagnon et al., 2016)

HEVP Scenario Structure

The HEVP comprises 320 scenarios simulating typical social interactions, structured as follows:

1. **Context:** A first sentence indicating a context, that is whether the situation is either hostile or non-hostile.
2. **Ambiguous Behavior:** A second sentence describing a character's ambiguous behavior.
3. **True Intention:** A third sentence revealing the character's true intention behind the ambiguous behavior, either as hostile or non-hostile .

Example

Before the exam, the students
are in competition.

A friend walks by and
does not talk to you.

He does not want to distract you.

Before the exam, the students ^{hostile context} are in competition.

A friend walks by and does not talk to you.

He does ^{non-hostile intention} not want to distract you.