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*How Is the Accuracy of Eyewitness Testimony Affected by the Method of Questioning?*

The purpose of this experiment was to see how the method of questioning used affected the accuracy of eyewitness testimony. It was hypothesized that the multiple choice survey would be the most accurate, but the audio questioning would provide the most information. The multiple choice survey did indeed have the highest level of accuracy, with 73 percent of questions being deemed correct. The survey came in next with 56 percent, so it can be seen that there was a wide gap between the two. However, the second part of the hypothesis was disproved, because there was no difference between audio questioning and the other methods of questioning. In order to improve the accuracy of this experiment and eliminate any unplanned variables that may have occurred. In the future, the photo lineup could contain the same questions as the other methods, but display pictures instead of options.