

Sample Debriefing Statement for “Study Skills”

The following example should be considered an example of the *minimum* amount of information provided in a debriefing:

The purpose of this study was to see whether there is a relationship between conditions under which new material is learned and how well it is remembered. Based on the results of previous research, my hypothesis is that people who read material and then tell another person about it will remember the material better than people who read it and take notes, and that both of these groups will remember material better than people who only read the material.

The results of this study will be posted on the _____ Department bulletin board after (*date*). If you have any questions or you would like more information about this study, please contact me, _____, or _____ in the _____ Department at (*phone #*). It is not expected that you will suffer any adverse effects from this study, but if that should happen, please contact _____ or the Counseling Center, which is on call 24-hours at (*phone #*).

Thank you for participating in this study.