

Instructions were given in the respective target language (German/Italian) and had the following contents:

Instructions for Filling out the Experiment Sheets

Imagine several alien visitors from another planet speaking our language, but each one does not know a specific thing/object from our world (can be an animal, food, etc.).

Can you help? – How can you describe to each of them the unknown thing in the fastest and most accurate way?

Only things will be asked for which can be seen or touched; explain to each visitor in short phrases what that thing is.

Please keep in mind:

- Write down only one sentence per line
- Try and find at least 4 sentences for each thing and as many as possible
- Consider the time:
You'll get 1 minute for each thing,
so try to be quick, but take some time to think about it
- Fill out one sheet of paper at a time,
don't go back to filled-out sheets

Here's an example:

Telephone:

has a handset

is used for talking to other people

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More and different things can be described concerning the unknown objects and in a different way than shown in the example – this was just to give you a rough idea.

Thank you for participating and have fun.