

PsychInquiry CD

Activity name:	Demonstrate Effects of Expectation
Student's name:	

Instructions: Complete this worksheet and hand it in to your instructor.

Questions

1. Would the following suggestions help control for the effects of expectation? Fill in the table below.

Would these suggestions be helpful in controlling for expectancy effects?	Helpful	Not Helpful
Divide the participants into two groups (an experimental group and a control group) at random.		
Ask participants to volunteer to be in the experimental group or the control group.		
Inject the new pain medication into all participants.		
Inject the new pain medication into participants in the experimental group and give the control group aspirin tablets.		
Inject the new pain medication into participants in the experimental group, and inject a saline solution into participants in the control group.		
So that there is no confusion, inform participants as to whether they're in the experimental group or the control group.		

2. According to Dr. David Spiegel, how might expectancy effects play a role in cancer recovery?
