

Lofa Protocol—Summer 2008

The project will involve four visits to each of the villages.

Visit 1:

Motorcycle messenger schedules community meeting

Preparation: A sheet with information about the project with the village name and date of the community meeting clearly visible at top.

Step 1: Motorcycle messenger given set of info sheets and instructions on which villages to contact and in which order.

Step 2: Motorcycle messenger reaches village and meets with the chief. The messenger provides a general description of the project according to a **messenger script** and asks for the chief's cooperation in scheduling a community meeting at the specified date and time. The messenger leaves the **info sheet** with the chief.

Visit 2:

Community meeting and village mapping

Step 1: One of the graduate students and/or one of the managers makes contact with the village chief and convenes the community meeting.

Step 2: The managers delivers the **community meeting script** informing the community of the game and tests for understanding. The graduate student should be present and visible at the meeting.

Special care must be taken to ensure that the *correct* community meeting script is delivered, indicating whether the game will consist only of women or of mixed genders

Step 3: At the end of the meeting, the manager publicly hands the **community representatives form** to the chief or the chief's representative.

Step 4: The graduate student enlists the help of a village resident to walk around the community and draw a village map, indicating the layout of the village and the approximate number of houses in each section of the village.

Visit 3:

Game and Survey

Preparation: The graduate students must prepare 24 surveys for each village. Each set of surveys must include a randomized mixture of interest rates, and be properly labeled with a unique ID, indicating the household number and the village IRC code.

Game envelopes must be prepared, with stickers indicating gender and/or interest rate, and a code must be written on each envelope linking it to the survey. The envelopes should be affixed to the correct survey, with the household ID numbers matching.

Liberian currency in small denominations must be paper-clipped to the envelopes and surveys.

Additional funds for the village payout must also be prepared.

All enumerator boxes must be labeled and sealed with tape.

All enumerators must also have a notebook, a set of numbered cards (1-14) for the selection of household members, and a codebook of codes to be used for the survey.

Step 1: The enumerator team and graduate student arrive at the village at the time specified during the community meeting and make contact with at least one of the community representatives. The graduate student obtains the **community representatives form** and checks it for completeness. The names of the representatives and the project selected by the community are read aloud to all of the enumerators, who record this information in a notebook for use during the surveys.

Step 2: Houses are selected according to a randomization procedure that depends on village size and layout. In small villages, the graduate student leads the team of enumerators through the village, numbers each house with a card and tack, determines a sampling interval, and randomly selects 24 houses. Each enumerator is assigned a set of 6 houses.

In larger villages, the graduate student will lead the team to a central location in the village, according to the village map. Each enumerator walks out in a separate direction from this point and times how long it takes to reach the outskirts of the village. Each enumerator will return to the central meeting point, and the graduate student will assist the enumerators in dividing this time in six, to obtain the **critical time**. Then the enumerator will choose a random number between zero and the critical time to determine the **initial time**. Each enumerator will set out in the same direction as before. When they have walked for the initial time, the house nearest them will be marked as the first house, using a note card and pushpin. Each additional house will be spaced according to the critical time, until the enumerator has identified 6 houses. If two or more houses are equidistant to the enumerator when s/he reaches the critical time, the enumerator will always choose the house closest to his/her right shoulder.

Meanwhile, the manager conducts the interviews/surveys with the chief and representatives.

Step 3: Each enumerator visits their houses. At each house the enumerator reads the **introductory script**, randomly selects a participant, and finds a private place inside the house to conduct the game. The enumerator reads the **game script** and tests for comprehension. The enumerator conducts the game and **game survey**. Once the enumeration is complete, the team gathers at the vehicle.

If any houses are empty when they are selected, the enumerators should return to those houses several times during the course of the game. If no one returns to the house, that household will be replaced according to the **replacement procedure**: the enumerator will select the house next door, in the direction of the initial selection (For example, if household #3 is empty, the enumerator will choose the next house in the direction of household #4).

Step 4: The graduate student collects the boxes from the enumerators and records the survey IDs for each enumerator.

Step 5: The graduate student convenes a community meeting. In public, the graduate student breaks the seal on each box and opens each envelope. ***The graduate student will mark each envelope with the amount contributed.*** This step is vital as it is the only way to link contributions to the surveys.

The graduate student will announce the interest rate for each envelope, according to the **interest rate sticker** that is applied to each envelope.

The total amount earned by the village is publicly counted and verified and then handed, in cash, to the three community representatives.

Step 6: The team thanks the village and leaves. Upon returning to Voinjama/Zorzor the graduate students enter the data and record any observations.

Visit 4:

Follow-up study

Preparation: The two follow-up enumerators will be provided with ***follow-up forms*** that are a mix of open-ended and closed-ended questions.

The enumerators also receive a schedule of which villages to visit and in what order.

Step 1: The enumerators visit the village and speak with the chief, community representatives, and several members of the community. The responses are recorded.

Step 2: After all visits are complete, these forms are compiled and sent to Stanford.

Forms and Scripts

Messenger Script

Hello, I have been sent to inform you that your village has been selected to participate in the Stanford-Liberia Community Project, if you and the community wish to do so.

This project is run by several universities in America, in partnership with NEPI here in Liberia. The project has two main purposes. The first is to contribute to development in your community and in Liberia by providing the community with funds of up to about LD25,000 that may be used as the community sees fit. The second goal is to learn about how communities in Liberia are recovering from the war. By participating in this project, you are helping us to gather important information about how communities here work together after a conflict.

This project is something like a game, and the village can win some money by participating in this game.

If you and the community agree to participate, a group of people will come to the village on {DAY and DATE} at {TIME} and explain the rules to everyone in the village. One week later, those people will return and play the game.

Depending on how people in the village play the game, the village will earn different amounts of money that can be used for anything the village decides to spend it on. On the day of the game, we will randomly choose twenty-four households in the community, and give someone in each of these households LD300. This person can then choose, completely in private, how much of this money to contribute to a “community pot.” No one in the community will know how much any one person contributes. Then, at the end of the game, we will provide matching funds to the community based on the amount of contributions to the community pot. The total amount if every one of the 24 households contributes LD300 each would be about LD25,000. But depending on how many people chosen to play the game contribute, and how much they contribute, the actual amount could be less than that.

Here is some more detailed information about the game. If you would like to contact the people in charge of the game, their phone numbers are on the paper.

As with all development projects and studies there can be both benefits and small risks associated with this one. The main benefits of this project are that, at the very least, community members can gain some money, but also the whole community can benefit from the funds in the community pot. Also, by participating you and your community will be helping to improve the way development projects work in the future.

The main risks and costs are these: First, it will take about 2 hours to explain the game when we come back, and it will take about 5 hours to play it with community members at the next meeting (which will be in the morning). Second, some people in the community could be disappointed by the project that the community or its representatives choose, and some people might be

disappointed if fewer households contribute to the community pot than they think ought to contribute.

If you have any questions, or if problems with this project arise, you may contact the NEPI Office in Monrovia. You may also speak to the District Commissioner or County Superintendent, who have all of our contact information and are supportive of this study. You can also contact the office at Stanford University that oversees the Stanford researchers involved in this project; you can reach these people through the NEPI office in Monrovia.

Would you, on behalf of this community, like to participate in a community meeting next {DAY and DATE} at {TIME} to explain and then play this development game?

RECORD ANSWER: _____
NAME OF CHIEF/COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVE: _____
DATE:
TIME:

Remember, the people will come on {DAY and DATE} at {TIME} to explain the game. As many people as possible in the village should gather to attend this meeting—both women and men. The more people that come to this meeting, the more likely that the village will win more money.

Information about the Stanford-Liberia Community Project

Town Name: _____

Meeting DAY _____

Meeting TIME _____

Your village has been selected to have the opportunity to participate in the Stanford-Liberia Community Project. This project is run by professors and graduate students from Stanford University and Columbia University in America. NEPI, a local Liberian organization, is helping to implement the project.

The Stanford-Liberia Community Project has two main goals. The first is to contribute to development in your community and in Liberia by providing the community with funds of up to about LD25,000 that may be used however the community would like. The second goal is for us to learn about how communities in Liberia are recovering from the war. By participating in this project, you are helping us to gather important information about how communities here work together after a conflict.

As part of the research project, some people in the community will be asked to play a game. The rules are simple, and the community can earn some money from the game.

The money earned from the game can be spent on anything that the community considers useful. It can for example be used towards projects like getting provisions for the school or it can be used for getting tools or chickens or such things to get business going in town. It can even be divided up and given as cash to individual citizens in whatever way you think important.

It is important to realize that how the money raised in the game is used is completely up to the community. We will not tell you how to use it, or ask that you do any particular project.

Before the game can begin, everyone in the community must be aware that the game will happen. A team from the Stanford-Liberia Community project will come to this village and explain the rules of the game at a community meeting.

This meeting will happen on the day and time specified at the top of this paper.

It is important that as many people as possible from the community attend this meeting—both men and women. The more people that attend this meeting, the more likely that the community will earn more money. However, it is also important that everyone realize that no one has to participate in the project if he or she does not want to. Participation is completely optional, both for the community as a whole, and for all individual people in the community.

If you have any questions, please contact:

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Community Meeting Script--- MIXED GENDER

Hello.

My name is _____ and I am working on a project with a group of universities in the U.S. that are working to support post-conflict development in Liberia. The major goal of this project is to contribute to development in your community and in Liberia by providing the community with funds of up to about LD25,000 that may be used however the community would like. We also hope to learn about how communities are recovering from the war.

The money the community receives can be spent on any kind of project that the community considers useful. For example, it could be used towards projects like getting provisions for the school or it can be used for getting tools or chickens or such things to get business going in town. It could be used for other community projects, such as building a palava hut or purchasing rice seed. In fact, it is fine with us if you want to just divide the money up and give it as cash to individual citizens in whatever way you think important. It is completely up to the community.

So the first task for your community, after we leave today, is to decide how you would want to spend this money. You should determine what sort of project you would implement if the community received more than 12,500 Liberty, but also what kind of project you would do if the community received less than 12,500 Liberty.

The important thing though is that you decide on this before we come back next week so we will know what the money will be used for.

You people must also identify three representatives who will receive this money on behalf of the community. These representatives can be anybody in the village. We will give the money directly to these people and they will be responsible for spending the money on whatever project the community chooses. You should know that we will not be monitoring how these representatives spend this money. We will not be keeping track of the funds or punishing people if they do not use the money correctly.

Now, to determine how much money the community will receive, we are going to ask some people in the village if they would like to play a game. The rules of the game are very simple. It is fun, and people in the village can benefit from participating.

Let me explain how the game is played.

On {day} I will come back to this village with my co-workers. We will come first thing in the morning, by 8am if possible.

When we get here, we will randomly select 24 houses in the village to visit. Nobody, not even myself, knows which houses will be selected. We will choose the houses by selecting a number and then counting so many houses. Then we will visit that house and select one person inside who will play the game. In 12 households, we will select a man from among all men between the ages of 18 and 60. In the other 12 households, we will select a woman from

among all women between the ages of 18 and 60. So, in the village, the game will be played by 12 men and 12 women.

It is important that at least one person be in each house on {Day} at {Time} so they will have a chance to play the game. If no one is in the house, we will try again to find someone there later in the morning, but if we cannot find someone then that household will not be able to play the game.

In each house, one of us will give someone in that house 300 Liberian dollars and a paper. That 300 Liberty will be in the form of three 100 liberty bills.

[Hold up three 100 liberty bills]

Completely in private, that person will make a decision. The person must decide how many of the three liberty bills they want to keep for themselves or the family, and how many they want to contribute to the community by putting something in the paper.

If that person wants, they can keep all the money—no one in the village will know. The person can just keep the money and put the empty paper in the box. The decision will be secret.

[Demonstrate by placing the 300 liberty into front shirt pocket and then dropping the envelope into the box]

The people in charge of this project will be the only people that can find out, but even they will not know until later, after we have left, and they won't tell anybody. No one else will know which of the 24 households contributed and which did not.

If the person keeps the money, they or their household can use it for whatever they want or need.

The person can also decide to contribute some of the money, or even all of the money. Whatever money they want to contribute, they should put the money in the paper and then put the paper inside the box. *[Demonstrate with items]*.

And for every 100 LDs that go in the box, we will add more money to this. All the money that is put in the box, and the money that we add to that, will then go to three representatives for the village, to be used for a project of your choosing.

Now let me explain how we add money to the box after the people in the village chosen to play the game have made their contributions.

Remember that I said that we would randomly pick 24 households to play the game? For half of these households, 12, we will DOUBLE whatever money they decide to contribute when we give the money to the community representatives

For the other 12 households, we will multiply the contributions by FIVE times when we give the money to the community representatives.

This is kind of complicated, so let's use an example.

Pretend that these are the people who are playing the game.

[Set up sticks or figures representing 24 individuals].

Pretend that we divide these people in half.

[Separate the figures into two groups of twelve]

Any time any of these people put money in the box, that money will go to the community.

When these people contribute money,

[Gesture to one of the groups]

we will double that money when we give it to the community.

But when these people contribute money,

[Gesture to the other group]

We will make that money five times bigger.

So every time someone in this group *[Gesture to group]* gives 100 liberty, we will add 100 liberty and make it 200 Liberty.

[Demonstrate by adding an additional bill and then hold up full amount]

Each person can put in up to 300 Liberty in the box. Since for this “two times” group we will add 300 liberty and double the amount, to make 600 liberty. So the most the village can get from each person in this group is 600 Liberty. If all 12 people in this group choose to put 300 liberty in the box, then the village will receive 7,200 liberty dollars.

Now what about the other group, the “five times” group? Every time someone in this group

[Gesture to group] gives 100 liberty, we will add 400 liberty and make it 500 liberty.

[Demonstrate adding the additional bills one at a time and then hold up full amount]

Each person can put in up to 300 liberty, so the village can receive a maximum of 1,500 liberty from each person in this group. If all 12 people in this group choose to put 300 liberty in the box, then the village will receive 18,000 Liberty.

Every individual who is selected to play the game will be told which group they are in before they make their decision, but no one else will know. Half of the people chosen to play the game will be in the “two times” group and half will be in the “five times” group.

Ahead of time, even our team does not know which individuals will be put in to which groups---it is random. And no one on our team can decide to switch an individual from one group into the other group. People must accept the group they are in.

If everyone who is selected to play the game chooses to contribute all of the 300 liberty---so everyone in both groups puts in all the money---the village would receive a total of 25,200 liberty. This is the maximum possible amount.

Any questions?

Okay, so let's review.

If all 24 people who play the game choose to contribute their money by placing 300 Liberian dollars in the envelope, the village will receive 25,200 liberty dollars.

But keep in mind that people playing the game can also choose to keep money because they think they have important needs for it themselves or in their household. Or maybe they are not sure that the project chosen is a good idea or that would work out well. It is completely up to the person chosen to play the game to decide what to do, and everyone in the community has to realize that this is what the rule of the game is and everyone has to respect the outcome whatever it is.

If nobody puts any money in the envelope—if all 24 people keep the 100 dollars for themselves, the village will not receive any money. But those people will keep the money for themselves.

Do you understand?

So if a person in the “two times” group puts 100 LD into the envelope that goes to the community pot, how much will get added to it?

[wait for response]

So if a person in the “five times” group puts 100 LD into the envelope that goes to the community pot, how much will get added to it?

[wait for response]

If you are selected to play the game and you agree to play, do you have to put 300LD in the box?
[No, you can put in zero, 100, 200, or 300LD.]

What happens to someone if they keep the money? Will anyone in the village find out?
[No, it is completely your decision and it is a private decision that no one can find out.]

Now, I am going to give the chief a form that needs to be completed before I return next week.

Remember, you people must decide on a project that you will spend the money on and write down that project in this space on the form [*hold up the form and indicate the space*].

You should decide on two projects, depending on how much the community receives from playing the game. Pick one project in case the community earns more than 12,500 liberty.

You should also pick another, smaller project that the community can do if it earns less than 12,500 liberty.

You people must also choose three representatives and write their names down here on the form [*point to the space*].

These representatives can be anybody in the village. These representatives will play an important role in collecting the money.

When the game has finished, I will give whatever money the village will receive directly to these three people.

I will tell the whole village how much money the village will receive and you people will be able to see us hand the money to your representatives. If you would like, you may also watch us open the boxes and count the money, so you can make sure we don't make any mistakes. These three people will be responsible for spending the money on whatever project the village decides.

But you must understand: We will not be monitoring how these representatives spend this money. We will not be keeping track of the funds or punishing people if they do not use the money correctly.

Do you understand? Do you have any questions about that?

If the form is not completed when I come back next week, we will not be able to play the game in this village. Please make sure that the form is completed and kept safe for me.

About 2 months after we play the game someone will return to the village to see how the money was spent and to talk to a few people around town. This person is not trying to punish anyone. We just want to know how the project is coming along and whether people in the community are satisfied.

We are calling this project the "Stanford-Liberia Community Project", so if anyone asks you about the Stanford-Liberia Community Project you will know what they are talking about.

I want to say again that your decision on whether to keep the money will be secret. No one in the village will know whether you keep the money or put it inside the box.

If you are selected to play the game, then we will ask you a few questions after you play the game, such as your age, whether you have heard about the project, things like that. We will not record your name and your answers to the questions will be secret. No one, not even myself, will be able to identify you from those questions. You can also decide that you don't want to answer any of the questions, and of course if you want you can also decide that you don't want to play the game.

One more thing: It is very important that every house has at least one person in it at 8am on {Day}. We will select the houses within one hour of our coming to the village. If after one hour your house is not selected to play the game, then you can leave your house and go do whatever things you need to do.

If we visit a house to play the game and nobody is home, we will try back in a little while. But if no one is there, that household will not have the opportunity to play the game.

Does anybody have any questions?

Community Meeting Script--- ALL FEMALE

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So the first task for your community, after we leave today, is to decide how you would want to spend this money. You should determine what sort of project you would implement if the community received more than 12,500 Liberty, but also what kind of project you would do if the community received less than 12,500 Liberty.

The important thing though is that you decide on this before we come back next week so we will know what the money will be used for.

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It is important that at least one person be in each house on {Day} at {Time} so they will have a chance to play the game. If no one is in the house, we will try again to find someone there later in the morning, but if we cannot find someone then that household will not be able to play the game.

In each house, one of us will give a **woman** in that house 300 Liberian dollars and a paper. That 300 Liberty will be in the form of three 100 liberty bills.

[Hold up three 100 liberty bills]

Completely in private, that **woman** will make a decision. The person must decide how many of the three liberty bills they want to keep for themselves or the family, and how many they want to contribute to the community by putting something in the paper.

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If the person keeps the money, they or their household can use it for whatever they want or need.

The **woman** can also decide to contribute some of the money, or even all of the money. Whatever money they want to contribute, they should put the money in the paper and then put the paper inside the box. *[Demonstrate with items]*.

And for every 100 LDs that go in the box, we will add more money to this. All the money that is put in the box, and the money that we add to that, will then go to three representatives for the village, to be used for a project of your choosing.

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Any questions?

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If you are selected to play the game and you agree to play, do you have to put 300LD in the box?
[No, you can put in zero, 100, 200, or 300LD.]

What happens to someone if they keep the money? Will anyone in the village find out?

[No, it is completely your decision and it is a private decision that no one can find out.]

Now, I am going to give the chief a form that needs to be completed before I return next week.

Remember, you people must decide on a project that you will spend the money on and write down that project in this space on the form [*hold up the form and indicate the space*].

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Do you understand? Do you have any questions about that?

If the form is not completed when I come back next week, we will not be able to play the game in this village. Please make sure that the form is completed and kept safe for me.

About 2 months after we play the game someone will return to the village to see how the money was spent and to talk to a few people around town. This person is not trying to punish anyone. We just want to know how the project is coming along and whether people in the community are satisfied.

We are calling this project the "Stanford-Liberia Community Project", so if anyone asks you about the Stanford-Liberia Community Project you will know what they are talking about.

I want to say again that your decision on whether to keep the money will be secret. No one in the village will know whether you keep the money or put it inside the box.

If you are selected to play the game, then we will ask you a few questions after you play the game, such as your age, whether you have heard about the project, things like that. We will not record your name and your answers to the questions will be secret. No one, not even myself, will be able to identify you from those questions. You can also decide that you don't want to answer any of the questions, and of course if you want you can also decide that you don't want to play the game.

One more thing: It is very important that every house has at least one person in it at 8am on {Day}. We will select the houses within one hour of our coming to the village. If after one hour your house is not selected to play the game, then you can leave your house and go do whatever things you need to do.

Even if no women live inside the house, someone should be in the house to tell us that no women live there. If no women live in the house, it is no problem: we will select another house to play the game.

If we visit a house to play the game and nobody is home, we will try back in a little while. But if no one is there, that household will not have the opportunity to play the game.

Does anybody have any questions?

Stanford-Liberia Community Project Town Form

Town name:

Town code:

Date of game:

Time of game:

Thank you for participating in our project.
Please fill out this form and give it to the head of the research team when the team returns to the village next week to conduct the experiment.

IF THE FORM IS NOT FILLED OUT, OR IF THE FORM IS MISSING, THE RESEARCH TEAM WILL NOT BE ABLE TO CONDUCT THE GAME AND THE VILLAGE WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE ANY MONEY.

Community Project

Please describe briefly how the community plans to spend any money earned through participation in this experiment:

If the community earns LD12,500 – LD25,200:

If the community earns less than LD12,500:

Village Representatives

List the names of three people in the village who will receive the money and be responsible for spending the money on the project chosen by the community, described on this form.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Introductory Script--TEMPLATE

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We visited this community a week ago and held a public meeting to introduce the project. We asked the community to decide how it would spend any money it receives from the project and also to identify three representatives who would be in charge of spending the money. To determine how much money the community will earn, some people living in this town are being asked to play a game. 24 different households are being selected randomly to participate.

Your house has been selected to play a game that is part of the project, if you are willing to participate. Our first task will be to list **everyone** who **lives** in this household between the ages of 18 and 60. From that list, you will help me select one person randomly who will play the game. **[In this house, the / The]** person selected must be a **[man / woman]**

[Enumerate the household, randomly select a person using the cards, in accordance with the gender treatment, and then find the person. Return to the beginning of this script and describe the project again. Then continue.]

We hope to gain knowledge from this game and we hope that you will take the game seriously. You or your village may win some money by playing it. But you do not have to participate if you do not want to.

After we play the game, I would like to ask you a few questions about yourself and your village.

The game and the questions we ask afterward will take about 30 minutes of your time.

Your answers will be kept secret. Nobody in the village will know how you play the game or how you answer the questions.

Would you like to play the game?

May I ask you a few questions afterwards?

If you are not comfortable answering any of these questions for any reason, you do not have to answer. [If the person agrees, read the **Game Script**]

Game Script---TEMPLATE

Now I will explain to you how we will play the game.

I will give you two things.

I will give you this paper.

[The enumerator holds up the envelope, marked with the household ID]

And I will give you three 100 Liberty bills.

[The enumerator holds up the LD100 bills].

Now you can decide how many of the three Liberty bills to keep and how many to put in the paper. You can keep them all and put none in. You can keep two and put one in. You can keep one and put two in. Or you can put all three bills in the paper.

[Demonstrate putting bills in the paper or putting bills in front pocket to mimic keeping the money.]

After you have decided, you should put the paper inside the box.

[Demonstrate holding the envelope over the slot in the box]

For every 100 Liberty you put in the paper, and then put the paper inside the box, we will add **[100 / 400]** Liberty to make it **[200 / 500]** Liberty dollars.

Then we will give this money to the three village representatives to use for the community project, along with money from any other households that decide to put the money in the box.

The maximum amount that the village can receive is **25,200** Liberty.

If you keep the money for yourself, nothing will be added to it. But nobody in the village will know that you kept the money—your decision is secret. I myself will not even know whether you put the money in the paper or not, and nobody in the village will know.

If you keep the money, you can use it for your family or for whatever you want.

The village will still receive any money that other people decide to contribute.

If you decide to put the money in the paper, then you personally will not receive any of that money, but the village will receive more money to use on the project.

If you put the 300 Liberty in the paper, the village will receive **[600 / 1,500]** Liberty dollars, but it will not go to you personally. It will go to the community to be used for the community project.

If you put 200 Liberty in the paper, you will keep the 100 Liberty and the village will receive **[400 / 1,000]** Liberty dollars.

If you put 100 Liberty in the paper, you will keep the 200 Liberty that's left and the village will receive **[200 / 500]** Liberty dollars.

You cannot use any of your own money for this game. Do not put any other money into the box, or it will not count.

Now I will ask you a few questions to make sure I have explained the game correctly.

What happens if you keep the money?

Will anybody in the village know if you keep the money?

What happens if you put the money in the paper?

[If they answer these questions correctly, the enumerator should proceed to the next section. If they are confused, the enumerator should go back and restate parts of the script that apply to the areas of confusion]

Remember, you are not the only person playing this game. In this village, **[12 men and 12 women / 24 women]** from 24 different households are taking part. The total amount the village receives will depend on the decision that you make, but also the decisions made by each of the other players.

Here is the 300 Liberty dollars and the paper.

[The enumerator hands the person the money and the envelope]

Now, here is the box *[The enumerator places the box on the floor]*

After you have made your decision, put the paper in this box.

This box will keep your decision secret.

If you decide to put any money in the box, make sure you put the money deep inside the paper so it will not fall out, before you put it in the box.

If you decide to keep the 300 Liberty, please put the empty paper inside the box.

Now I will step outside, so that you can make your decision in private.

You can let me know whenever you are finished.

Please take your time and let me know if you have any questions.

[After the decision is made, the enumerator collects the box.]

Thank you. Now I would like to ask you a few questions, if that is okay with you.

[See **Game Survey**]

Introductory Script—MIXED GENDER--MALE, 2x

Hello.

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We visited this community a week ago and held a public meeting to introduce the project. We asked the community to decide how it would spend any money it receives from the project and also to identify three representatives who would be in charge of spending the money. To determine how much money the community will earn, some people living in this town are being asked to play a game. 24 different households are being selected randomly to participate.

Your house has been selected to play a game that is part of the project, if you are willing to participate. Our first task will be to list **everyone** who **lives** in this household between the ages of 18 and 60. From that list, you will help me select one person randomly who will play the game. **In this house, the person selected must be a MAN**

[Enumerate the household, randomly select a person using the cards, in accordance with the gender treatment, and then find the person. Return to the beginning of this script and describe the project again. Then continue.]

We hope to gain knowledge from this game and we hope that you will take the game seriously. You or your village may win some money by playing it. But you do not have to participate if you do not want to.

After we play the game, I would like to ask you a few questions about yourself and your village.

The game and the questions we ask afterward will take about 30 minutes of your time.

Your answers will be kept secret. Nobody in the village will know how you play the game or how you answer the questions.

Would you like to play the game?

May I ask you a few questions afterwards?

If you are not comfortable answering any of these questions for any reason, you do not have to answer. [If the person agrees, read the **Game Script—MIXED GENDER--MALE, 2x**]

Game Script---MIXED GENDER--MALE, 2x

Now I will explain to you how we will play the game.

I will give you two things.

I will give you this paper.

[The enumerator holds up the envelope, marked with the household ID]

And I will give you three 100 Liberty bills.

[The enumerator holds up the LD100 bills].

Now you can decide how many of the three Liberty bills to keep and how many to put in the paper. You can keep them all and put none in. You can keep two and put one in. You can keep one and put two in. Or you can put all three bills in the paper.

[Demonstrate putting bills in the paper or putting bills in front pocket to mimic keeping the money.]

After you have decided, you should put the paper inside the box.

[Demonstrate holding the envelope over the slot in the box]

For every 100 Liberty you put in the paper, and then put the paper inside the box, we will add **100** Liberty to make it **200** Liberty dollars.

Then we will give this money to the three village representatives to use for the community project, along with money from any other households that decide to put the money in the box.

The maximum amount that the village can receive is **25,200** Liberty.

If you keep the money for yourself, nothing will be added to it. But nobody in the village will know that you kept the money—your decision is secret. I myself will not even know whether you put the money in the paper or not, and nobody in the village will know.

If you keep the money, you can use it for your family or for whatever you want.

The village will still receive any money that other people decide to contribute.

If you decide to put the money in the paper, then you personally will not receive any of that money, but the village will receive more money to use on the project.

If you put the 300 Liberty in the paper, the village will receive **600** Liberty dollars, but it will not go to you personally. It will go to the community to be used for the community project.

If you put 200 Liberty in the paper, you will keep the 100 Liberty and the village will receive **400** Liberty dollars.

If you put 100 Liberty in the paper, you will keep the 200 Liberty that's left and the village will receive **200** Liberty dollars.

You cannot use any of your own money for this game. Do not put any other money into the box, or it will not count.

Now I will ask you a few questions to make sure I have explained the game correctly.

What happens if you keep the money?

Will anybody in the village know if you keep the money?

What happens if you put the money in the paper?

[If they answer these questions correctly, the enumerator should proceed to the next section. If they are confused, the enumerator should go back and restate parts of the script that apply to the areas of confusion]

Remember, you are not the only person playing this game. In this village, **12 men and 12 women** from 24 different households are taking part. The total amount the village receives will depend on the decision that you make, but also the decisions made by each of the other players.

Here is the 300 Liberty dollars and the paper.

[The enumerator hands the person the money and the envelope]

Now, here is the box *[The enumerator places the box on the floor]*

After you have made your decision, put the paper in this box.

This box will keep your decision secret.

If you decide to put any money in the box, make sure you put the money deep inside the paper so it will not fall out, before you put it in the box.

If you decide to keep the 300 Liberty, please put the empty paper inside the box.

Now I will step outside, so that you can make your decision in private.

You can let me know whenever you are finished.

Please take your time and let me know if you have any questions.

[After the decision is made, the enumerator collects the box.]

Thank you. Now I would like to ask you a few questions, if that is okay with you.

[See **Game Survey**]

Introductory Script—MIXED GENDER---MALE, 5x

Hello.

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We visited this community a week ago and held a public meeting to introduce the project. We asked the community to decide how it would spend any money it receives from the project and also to identify three representatives who would be in charge of spending the money. To determine how much money the community will earn, some people living in this town are being asked to play a game. 24 different households are being selected randomly to participate.

Your house has been selected to play a game that is part of the project, if you are willing to participate. Our first task will be to list **everyone** who **lives** in this household between the ages of 18 and 60. From that list, you will help me select one person randomly who will play the game. **In this house, the person selected must be a MAN**

[Enumerate the household, randomly select a person using the cards, in accordance with the gender treatment, and then find the person. Return to the beginning of this script and describe the project again. Then continue.]

We hope to gain knowledge from this game and we hope that you will take the game seriously. You or your village may win some money by playing it. But you do not have to participate if you do not want to.

After we play the game, I would like to ask you a few questions about yourself and your village.

The game and the questions we ask afterward will take about 30 minutes of your time.

Your answers will be kept secret. Nobody in the village will know how you play the game or how you answer the questions.

Would you like to play the game?

May I ask you a few questions afterwards?

If you are not comfortable answering any of these questions for any reason, you do not have to answer. [If the person agrees, read the **Game Script—MIXED GENDER--Male, 5x**]

Game Script---MIXED GENDER---MALE, 5x

Now I will explain to you how we will play the game.

I will give you two things.

I will give you this paper.

[The enumerator holds up the envelope, marked with the household ID]

And I will give you three 100 Liberty bills.

[The enumerator holds up the LD100 bills].

Now you can decide how many of the three Liberty bills to keep and how many to put in the paper. You can keep them all and put none in. You can keep two and put one in. You can keep one and put two in. Or you can put all three bills in the paper.

[Demonstrate putting bills in the paper or putting bills in front pocket to mimic keeping the money.]

After you have decided, you should put the paper inside the box.

[Demonstrate holding the envelope over the slot in the box]

For every 100 Liberty you put in the paper, and then put the paper inside the box, we will add **400** Liberty to make it **500** Liberty dollars.

Then we will give this money to the three village representatives to use for the community project, along with money from any other households that decide to put the money in the box.

The maximum amount that the village can receive is **25,200** Liberty.

If you keep the money for yourself, nothing will be added to it. But nobody in the village will know that you kept the money—your decision is secret. I myself will not even know whether you put the money in the paper or not, and nobody in the village will know.

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What happens if you keep the money?

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Here is the 300 Liberty dollars and the paper.

[The enumerator hands the person the money and the envelope]

Now, here is the box *[The enumerator places the box on the floor]*

After you have made your decision, put the paper in this box.

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If you decide to put any money in the box, make sure you put the money deep inside the paper so it will not fall out, before you put it in the box.

If you decide to keep the 300 Liberty, please put the empty paper inside the box.

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You can let me know whenever you are finished.

Please take your time and let me know if you have any questions.

[After the decision is made, the enumerator collects the box.]

Thank you. Now I would like to ask you a few questions, if that is okay with you.

[See **Game Survey**]

Introductory Script—MIXED GENDER—WOMAN, 2x

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[Enumerate the household, randomly select a person using the cards, in accordance with the gender treatment, and then find the person. Return to the beginning of this script and describe the project again. Then continue.]

We hope to gain knowledge from this game and we hope that you will take the game seriously. You or your village may win some money by playing it. But you do not have to participate if you do not want to.

After we play the game, I would like to ask you a few questions about yourself and your village.

The game and the questions we ask afterward will take about 30 minutes of your time.

Your answers will be kept secret. Nobody in the village will know how you play the game or how you answer the questions.

Would you like to play the game?

May I ask you a few questions afterwards?

If you are not comfortable answering any of these questions for any reason, you do not have to answer. [If the person agrees, read the **Game Script—MIXED GENDER—WOMAN, 2X**]

Game Script---MIXED GENDER---WOMAN, 2X

Now I will explain to you how we will play the game.

I will give you two things.

I will give you this paper.

[The enumerator holds up the envelope, marked with the household ID]

And I will give you three 100 Liberty bills.

[The enumerator holds up the LD100 bills].

Now you can decide how many of the three Liberty bills to keep and how many to put in the paper. You can keep them all and put none in. You can keep two and put one in. You can keep one and put two in. Or you can put all three bills in the paper.

[Demonstrate putting bills in the paper or putting bills in front pocket to mimic keeping the money.]

After you have decided, you should put the paper inside the box.

[Demonstrate holding the envelope over the slot in the box]

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The maximum amount that the village can receive is **25,200** Liberty.

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[The enumerator hands the person the money and the envelope]

Now, here is the box *[The enumerator places the box on the floor]*

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If you decide to put any money in the box, make sure you put the money deep inside the paper so it will not fall out, before you put it in the box.

If you decide to keep the 300 Liberty, please put the empty paper inside the box.

Now I will step outside, so that you can make your decision in private.

You can let me know whenever you are finished.

Please take your time and let me know if you have any questions.

[After the decision is made, the enumerator collects the box.]

Thank you. Now I would like to ask you a few questions, if that is okay with you.

[See **Game Survey**]

Introductory Script—MIXED GENDER—WOMAN, 5X

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[Enumerate the household, randomly select a person using the cards, in accordance with the gender treatment, and then find the person. Return to the beginning of this script and describe the project again. Then continue.]

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Your answers will be kept secret. Nobody in the village will know how you play the game or how you answer the questions.

Would you like to play the game?

May I ask you a few questions afterwards?

If you are not comfortable answering any of these questions for any reason, you do not have to answer. [If the person agrees, read the **Game Script—MIXED GENDER—FEMALE, 5X**]

Game Script---MIXED GENDER---FEMALE, 5X

Now I will explain to you how we will play the game.

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I will give you this paper.

[The enumerator holds up the envelope, marked with the household ID]

And I will give you three 100 Liberty bills.

[The enumerator holds up the LD100 bills].

Now you can decide how many of the three Liberty bills to keep and how many to put in the paper. You can keep them all and put none in. You can keep two and put one in. You can keep one and put two in. Or you can put all three bills in the paper.

[Demonstrate putting bills in the paper or putting bills in front pocket to mimic keeping the money.]

After you have decided, you should put the paper inside the box.

[Demonstrate holding the envelope over the slot in the box]

For every 100 Liberty you put in the paper, and then put the paper inside the box, we will add **400** Liberty to make it **500** Liberty dollars.

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What happens if you keep the money?

Will anybody in the village know if you keep the money?

What happens if you put the money in the paper?

[If they answer these questions correctly, the enumerator should proceed to the next section. If they are confused, the enumerator should go back and restate parts of the script that apply to the areas of confusion]

Remember, you are not the only person playing this game. In this village, **12 men and 12 women** from 24 different households are taking part. The total amount the village receives will depend on the decision that you make, but also the decisions made by each of the other players.

Here is the 300 Liberty dollars and the paper.

[The enumerator hands the person the money and the envelope]

Now, here is the box *[The enumerator places the box on the floor]*

After you have made your decision, put the paper in this box.

This box will keep your decision secret.

If you decide to put any money in the box, make sure you put the money deep inside the paper so it will not fall out, before you put it in the box.

If you decide to keep the 300 Liberty, please put the empty paper inside the box.

Now I will step outside, so that you can make your decision in private.

You can let me know whenever you are finished.

Please take your time and let me know if you have any questions.

[After the decision is made, the enumerator collects the box.]

Thank you. Now I would like to ask you a few questions, if that is okay with you.

[See **Game Survey**]

Introductory Script—ALL FEMALE—WOMAN, 2X

Hello.

My name is _____ and I am working on a project with a group of universities in America that are working to support post-conflict development in Liberia. This project is called the Stanford-Liberia Community Project.

This project is run by several universities in America, in partnership with NEPI here in Liberia. The project has two main purposes. The first is to contribute to development in your community and in Liberia by providing the community with funds of up to about LD25,000 that may be used as the community sees fit. The second goal is to learn about how communities in Liberia are recovering from the war. By participating in this project, you are helping us to gather important information about how communities here work together after a conflict.

We visited this community a week ago and held a public meeting to introduce the project. We asked the community to decide how it would spend any money it receives from the project and also to identify three representatives who would be in charge of spending the money. To determine how much money the community will earn, some people living in this town are being asked to play a game. 24 different households are being selected randomly to participate.

Your house has been selected to play a game that is part of the project, if you are willing to participate. Our first task will be to list **everyone** who **lives** in this household between the ages of 18 and 60. From that list, you will help me select one person randomly who will play the game. **The person selected must be a woman.**

[Enumerate the household, randomly select a person using the cards, in accordance with the gender treatment, and then find the person. Return to the beginning of this script and describe the project again. Then continue.]

We hope to gain knowledge from this game and we hope that you will take the game seriously. You or your village may win some money by playing it. But you do not have to participate if you do not want to.

After we play the game, I would like to ask you a few questions about yourself and your village.

The game and the questions we ask afterward will take about 30 minutes of your time.

Your answers will be kept secret. Nobody in the village will know how you play the game or how you answer the questions.

Would you like to play the game?

May I ask you a few questions afterwards?

If you are not comfortable answering any of these questions for any reason, you do not have to answer. [If the person agrees, read the **Game Script—ALL FEMALE—WOMAN, 2X**]

Game Script---ALL FEMALE—WOMAN, 2X

Now I will explain to you how we will play the game.

I will give you two things.

I will give you this paper.

[The enumerator holds up the envelope, marked with the household ID]

And I will give you three 100 Liberty bills.

[The enumerator holds up the LD100 bills].

Now you can decide how many of the three Liberty bills to keep and how many to put in the paper. You can keep them all and put none in. You can keep two and put one in. You can keep one and put two in. Or you can put all three bills in the paper.

[Demonstrate putting bills in the paper or putting bills in front pocket to mimic keeping the money.]

After you have decided, you should put the paper inside the box.

[Demonstrate holding the envelope over the slot in the box]

For every 100 Liberty you put in the paper, and then put the paper inside the box, we will add **100** Liberty to make it **200** Liberty dollars.

Then we will give this money to the three village representatives to use for the community project, along with money from any other households that decide to put the money in the box.

The maximum amount that the village can receive is **25,200** Liberty.

If you keep the money for yourself, nothing will be added to it. But nobody in the village will know that you kept the money—your decision is secret. I myself will not even know whether you put the money in the paper or not, and nobody in the village will know.

If you keep the money, you can use it for your family or for whatever you want.

The village will still receive any money that other people decide to contribute.

If you decide to put the money in the paper, then you personally will not receive any of that money, but the village will receive more money to use on the project.

If you put the 300 Liberty in the paper, the village will receive **600** Liberty dollars, but it will not go to you personally. It will go to the community to be used for the community project.

If you put 200 Liberty in the paper, you will keep the 100 Liberty and the village will receive **400** Liberty dollars.

If you put 100 Liberty in the paper, you will keep the 200 Liberty that's left and the village will receive **200** Liberty dollars.

You cannot use any of your own money for this game. Do not put any other money into the box, or it will not count.

Now I will ask you a few questions to make sure I have explained the game correctly.

What happens if you keep the money?

Will anybody in the village know if you keep the money?

What happens if you put the money in the paper?

[If they answer these questions correctly, the enumerator should proceed to the next section. If they are confused, the enumerator should go back and restate parts of the script that apply to the areas of confusion]

Remember, you are not the only person playing this game. In this village, **24 women** from 24 different households are taking part. The total amount the village receives will depend on the decision that you make, but also the decisions made by each of the other players.

Here is the 300 Liberty dollars and the paper.

[The enumerator hands the person the money and the envelope]

Now, here is the box *[The enumerator places the box on the floor]*

After you have made your decision, put the paper in this box.

This box will keep your decision secret.

If you decide to put any money in the box, make sure you put the money deep inside the paper so it will not fall out, before you put it in the box.

If you decide to keep the 300 Liberty, please put the empty paper inside the box.

Now I will step outside, so that you can make your decision in private.

You can let me know whenever you are finished.

Please take your time and let me know if you have any questions.

[After the decision is made, the enumerator collects the box.]

Thank you. Now I would like to ask you a few questions, if that is okay with you.

[See **Game Survey**]

Introductory Script—ALL FEMALE—WOMAN, 5X

Hello.

My name is _____ and I am working on a project with a group of universities in America that are working to support post-conflict development in Liberia. This project is called the Stanford-Liberia Community Project.

This project is run by several universities in America, in partnership with NEPI here in Liberia. The project has two main purposes. The first is to contribute to development in your community and in Liberia by providing the community with funds of up to about LD25,000 that may be used as the community sees fit. The second goal is to learn about how communities in Liberia are recovering from the war. By participating in this project, you are helping us to gather important information about how communities here work together after a conflict.

We visited this community a week ago and held a public meeting to introduce the project. We asked the community to decide how it would spend any money it receives from the project and also to identify three representatives who would be in charge of spending the money. To determine how much money the community will earn, some people living in this town are being asked to play a game. 24 different households are being selected randomly to participate.

Your house has been selected to play a game that is part of the project, if you are willing to participate. Our first task will be to list **everyone** who **lives** in this household between the ages of 18 and 60. From that list, you will help me select one person randomly who will play the game.

The] person selected must be a **woman.**

[Enumerate the household, randomly select a person using the cards, in accordance with the gender treatment, and then find the person. Return to the beginning of this script and describe the project again. Then continue.]

We hope to gain knowledge from this game and we hope that you will take the game seriously. You or your village may win some money by playing it. But you do not have to participate if you do not want to.

After we play the game, I would like to ask you a few questions about yourself and your village.

The game and the questions we ask afterward will take about 30 minutes of your time.

Your answers will be kept secret. Nobody in the village will know how you play the game or how you answer the questions.

Would you like to play the game?

May I ask you a few questions afterwards?

If you are not comfortable answering any of these questions for any reason, you do not have to answer. [If the person agrees, read the **Game Script—ALL FEMALE—WOMAN, 5X**]

Game Script---ALL FEMALE—WOMAN, 5X

Now I will explain to you how we will play the game.

I will give you two things.

I will give you this paper.

[The enumerator holds up the envelope, marked with the household ID]

And I will give you three 100 Liberty bills.

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Now you can decide how many of the three Liberty bills to keep and how many to put in the paper. You can keep them all and put none in. You can keep two and put one in. You can keep one and put two in. Or you can put all three bills in the paper.

[Demonstrate putting bills in the paper or putting bills in front pocket to mimic keeping the money.]

After you have decided, you should put the paper inside the box.

[Demonstrate holding the envelope over the slot in the box]

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If you keep the money, you can use it for your family or for whatever you want.

The village will still receive any money that other people decide to contribute.

If you decide to put the money in the paper, then you personally will not receive any of that money, but the village will receive more money to use on the project.

If you put the 300 Liberty in the paper, the village will receive **1,500** Liberty dollars, but it will not go to you personally. It will go to the community to be used for the community project.

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If you put 100 Liberty in the paper, you will keep the 200 Liberty that's left and the village will receive **500** Liberty dollars.

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What happens if you keep the money?

Will anybody in the village know if you keep the money?

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[If they answer these questions correctly, the enumerator should proceed to the next section. If they are confused, the enumerator should go back and restate parts of the script that apply to the areas of confusion]

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[The enumerator hands the person the money and the envelope]

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Please take your time and let me know if you have any questions.

[After the decision is made, the enumerator collects the box.]

Thank you. Now I would like to ask you a few questions, if that is okay with you.

[See **Game Survey**]