

CALIFORNIA STATE SCIENCE FAIR 2008 PROJECT SUMMARY

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Project Title

Caffeinated Typing

Abstract

Objectives/Goals

The purpose of this project was to find out wether or not caffeine affected typing speed, as well as accuracy.

Methods/Materials

The experiment involved recording the number of words typed in a two minutes test and the errors made. It was done by testing 10 children (all of them 12 years old and both, female and male). They took a typing test for two minutes. After the test they drank 16 ounces of Diet Coke with caffeine and took another two minutes test. I repeated the experiment with Diet Coke without cafeine.

Results

The results confirmed my hypothesis that caffeine will make people type faster.

Conclusions/Discussion

In the experiment the percetage of words typed after drinking soda with caffeine increased by 37.98%, and after drinking soda without caffeine increased by 13.85 %. However, the percentage of errors was higher after drinking caffeine; 16.85%, and without caffeine the percentage decreased by 12.05%.

Summary Statement

I wanted to see if caffeine affected typing speed and accuracy.

Help Received

Teacher who guided me through the project; Mother who helped mount my board; My fellow students for helping me by participating in my experiment.