Appendix C

Experiment 3 and 4: sentences and corresponding targets. Sentences were truncated at the offset of the vowel that followed the critical consonants (bold underlined). In the Experiment 3 prime sentences (Exp. 3) the critical consonants were spliced from another token of the same sentence (with a medial singleton), from a singleton realized in initial position (IS) or from a token of the geminate counterpart of the critical consonant (Exp. 4). In the Experiment 4 prime sentences (Exp. 4) the critical geminates were again spliced from another token of the same sentence, or from the singleton counterpart of the geminate realized in initial position (IS) or medial position (Exp. 3). The first 16 targets contained consonants that can appear word-initially and word-finally in Italian words (unrestricted consonants); the other 16 contained those that do not appear in word-final position (restricted consonants).

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(The title of the book was "A student of Jung")

IS - Il titolo del libro era "una lieve distorsione"

(The title of the book was "A mild distortion")

Exp. 3 - Gianna tolse l'alone della macchia di caffè

(Gianna removed the ring of the coffee stain)

Exp. 4 - Gianna tolse l'alloro dal piatto di portata

(Gianna removed the laurel from the platter)

IS - Gianna tolse la loro biancheria dal cassetto

(Gianna removed their underwear from the drawer)

Exp. 3 - Il giornalista parlava dell'alunno dell'anno

(The journalist was talking about the student of the year)

Exp. 4 - Il giornalista parlava dell'allungo di fine gara

(The journalist was talking about the spurt at the end of the contest)

IS - Il giornalista parlava della lunga processione

(The journalist was talking about the long procession)

Exp. 3 - Dissero che dilemmi di vita o di morte non ce n'erano

([[they] said that dilemmas of life or death there were not])

Exp. 4 - Dissero che d'illesi all'incidente non ce n'erano

([[they] said that of the uninjured in the incident there were not])

IS - Dissero che di ilesi gravemente non ce n'erano

([[they] said that of the seriously injured in the incident there were not])

Exp. 3 - La nonna disse che diluvi del genere erano frequenti

(The grandmother said that downpours of that sort were frequent)
Exp. 4 - La nonna disse che di illusi è pieno il mondo

(The grandmother said that of dreamers full the world)

IS - La nonna disse che di lussi non ne aveva mai goduto

(The grandmother said that she has never had luxuries)

Exp. 3 - Corrado disse che l'analisi andava rifatta

(Corrado said that the analysis had to be redone)

Exp. 4 - Corrado disse che l'annata migliore era esaurita

(Corrado said that the best year was sold out)

IS - Corrado disse che la nave era partita

(Corrado said that the ship left)

Exp. 3 - Fabrizio chiese se c'era un anello che piaceva a Paola

(Fabrizio asked whether there was a ring that Paola liked)

Exp. 4 - Fabrizio chiese se c'era un annesso campo sportivo

(Fabrizio asked whether there was an attached sport ground)

IS - Fabrizio chiese se c'era una nespola per la macedonia

(Fabrizio asked whether there was a medlar in the fruit salad)

Exp. 3 - Il cugino disse che un'anonimo poeta scrisse quei versi

(The cousin said that an anonymous poet wrote those verses)

Exp. 4 - Il cugino disse che un'annosa questione divideva le due famiglie

(The cousin said that an age-old issue divided the two families)

IS - Il cugino disse che una nomina temporanea non era adeguata

(The cousin said that an appointment temporary was not adequate)

Exp. 3 - Lo studente chiese la definizione d'in erzia al nuovo docente

(Definite the meaning of inertia to the new teacher)
Exp. 4 - Lo studente chiese la definizione d'innesco al nuovo docente  
(The student asked the definition of trigger of the new teacher)  

IS - Lo studente chiese la definizione di nestore al nuovo docente  
(The student asked the definition of the parrot of the new teacher)  

Exp. 4 - Roberto parlò di innesti e trapianti mal riusciti  
(Roberto talked about grafts and transplants [that were] unsuccessful)  

IS - Roberto parlò di netti tagli al bilancio famigliare  
(Roberto talked about decisive cuts to the family budget)  

Exp. 3 - Marta descrisse l'arena che visitò a Verona  
(Marta described the arena that she visited in Verona)  

Exp. 4 - Marta descrisse l'arredo della casa di campagna  
(Marta described the furniture of the country house)  

IS - Marta descrisse la retina degli insetti  
(Marta described the retina of the insects)  

Exp. 3 - Il cugino di Carlo fece l'aringa in umido  
(The cousin of Carlo made the herring in a sauce)  

Exp. 4 - Il cugino di Carlo fece l'arringa finale  
(The cousin of Carlo made the final harangue)  

IS - Il cugino di Carlo fece la riga ai pantaloni  
(The cousin of Carlo ironed the crease into the trousers)
Exp. 3 - Il marito pensò che l'aroma fosse eccellente

(The husband thought that the aroma was excellent)

Exp. 4 - Il marito pensò che l'arrosto fosse eccellente

(The husband thought that the roast was excellent)

IS - Il marito pensò che la rosa fosse sufficiente

(The husband thought that the rose was sufficient)

Exp. 3 - Massimo si lamentò dell'erario troppo alto per il suo stipendio

(Massimo complained about the tax being too high for his salary)

Exp. 4 - Massimo si lamentò dell'errato giudizio ricevuto

(Massimo complained about the wrong judgment received)

IS - Massimo si lamentò delle rare occasioni di stare in famiglia

(Massimo complained about the rare chances to be with the family)

Exp. 3 - Il libro trattava dell'eroe dei due mondi

(The book dealt with the hero of the two worlds)

Exp. 4 - Il libro trattava dell'errore umano

(The book dealt with the human error)

IS - Il libro trattava delle rotte navali

(The book dealt with the marine routes)

Exp. 3 - Sara disse che l'abate era partito

(Sara said that the abbot left)

Exp. 4 - Sara disse che l'abbacchio era pronto

(Sara said that the baby lamb was ready)

IS - Sara disse che la baia era deserta
(Sara said that the bay was deserted)

Exp. 3 - Lisa disse che era un acerbo concertista in erba

(Lisa said that [he] was an unripe concert artist in the making)

Exp. 4 - Lisa disse che era un accenno inopportuno alla sua famiglia

(Lisa said that [that] was an inkling inopportune to her family)

IS - Lisa disse che era una cerchia ristretta e inavvicinabile

(Lisa said that [that] was a circle privileged and inaccessible)

Exp. 3 - La mamma non aveva l'aceto balsamico

(The mother did not have the balsamic vinegar)

Exp. 4 - La mamma non aveva l'accento siciliano

(The mother did not have the Sicilian accent)

IS - La mamma non aveva la cera per il legno

(The mother did not have the wax for the wood)

Exp. 3 - Pietro disse che l'adone aveva sedotto Maria

(Pietro said that the Adonis seduced Maria)

Exp. 4 - Pietro disse che l'addome era coperto di macchie

(Pietro said that the abdomen was covered with stains)

IS - Pietro disse che la dose di valium era eccessiva

(Pietro said that the dose of valium was extreme)

Exp. 3 - Paolo disse che l'efelide sul naso era scomparsa

(Paolo said that the freckle on the nose disappeared)

Exp. 4 - Paolo disse che l'effetto della medicina era finito

(Paolo said that the effect of the medicine had passed)
IS - Paolo disse che le ferie ormai erano finite

(Paolo said that the vacation by now was finished)

Exp. 3 - Anita cercava un'agenda da regalare alla mamma

(Anita was looking for a planner to give as a gift to her mother)

Exp. 4 - Anita cercava un aggeggio per rompere il lucchetto

(Anita was looking for a device to break the padlock)

IS - Anita cercava una gemma per il suo ciondolo

(Anita was looking for a gemstone for her pendent)

Exp. 3 - Mostrarono l'immagine dell'aguzzo campanile della cattedrale

([they] showed the picture of the sharp bell-tower of the cathedral)

Exp. 4 - Mostrarono l'immagine dell'agguito al convoglio umanitario

([they] showed the picture of the ambush to the humanitarian convoy)

IS - Mostrarono l'immagine della guardia uccisa dai rapinatori

([they] showed the picture of the guard killed by the robbers)

Exp. 3 - Mario raccontò di un acuto commento di uno studente

(Mario told about an acute comment of a student)

Exp. 4 - Mario raccontò di un'accusa di plagio ad un professore

(Mario told about a charge of plagiarism against a professor)

IS - Mario raccontò di una cura efficace per l'emicrania

(Mario told about an effective treatment for migraine)

Exp. 3 - Il portiere disse che l'apatico ragazzo era sua nipote

(The doorman said that the apathetic boy was his nephew)

Exp. 4 - Il portiere disse che l'appalto della Regione era già stato assegnato

(appalto)
The doorman said that the contract of the district was already assigned

IS - Il portiere disse che la palma in giardino era malata

(The doorman said that the palm in the garden was ill)

Exp. 3 - Mario non rispose all'aperta richiesta d'aiuto

(Mario did not reply to the open request for help)

Exp. 4 - Mario non rispose all'appello la mattina scorsa

(Mario did not reply to the roll call yesterday morning)

IS - Mario non rispose alla perfida zia

(Mario did not reply to the perfidious aunt)

Exp. 3 - Fabio disse che era un Apollo rispetto ai suoi fratelli

(Fabio said that [he] was an Apollo compared to his brothers)

Exp. 4 - Fabio disse che era un appoggio economico per la sua famiglia

(Fabio said that [he] was an economical support for his family)

IS - Fabio disse che era una porzione troppo abbondante

(Fabio said that [that] was a too abundant portion)

Exp. 3 - Si accorsero che era una strategia datata e inefficace

([they] realized that [that] was a dated and ineffective strategy)

Exp. 4 - Si accorsero che era una strategia d'attacco poco efficace

([they] realized that [that] was an attack strategy of little efficacy)

IS - Si accorsero che era una strategia da tangheri e inefficace

([they] realized that [that] was a strategy that was boorish and ineffective)

Exp. 3 - Il nonno raccontava di un'Atene ricostruita nei minimi particolari

(The grandfather was telling of an Athens rebuilt with refined details)

(Athens)
Exp. 4 - Il nonno raccontava di un'attesa molto lunga trascorsa nei corridoi

(The grandfather was telling of a very long wait spent in the halls)

IS - Il nonno raccontava di una tenera amicizia con la cameriera

(The grandfather was telling of tender friendship with the waitress)

Exp. 3 - Sofia disse che latino e greco erano insufficienti

(Sofia said that Latin and Greek were insufficient)

Exp. 4 - Sofia disse che l'attivo della ditta era aumentato

(Sofia said that the assets of the company had been raised)

IS - Sofia disse che la timida cuginetta era partita

(Sofia said that the shy cousin left)

Exp. 3 - Eva scattò alcune foto all'atollo che scelse per le sue vacanze

(Eva took some pictures of the atoll [she] chose for her vacation)

Exp. 4 - Eva scattò alcune foto all'attore che incontrò in vacanza

(Eva took some pictures of the actor [she] met on vacation)

IS - Eva scattò alcune foto alla torta che preparò a Natale

(Eva took some pictures of the cake [she] made for Christmas)

Exp. 3 - L'articolo parlava dell'avena importata negli ultimi anni

(The article spoke of the oat imported in the last years)

Exp. 4 - L'articolo parlava dell'avvento di una nuova era

(The article spoke of the arrival of a new epoch)

IS - L'articolo parlava della Venere di Milo

(The article spoke of the Venus de Milo)