Results

Independent-Samples t-test

An independent-samples *t*-test ($\alpha = .05$, two-tailed) was used to investigate the difference in average speed estimates between participants in the "hit" condition (n = 15) and those in the "smashed" condition (n = 15). Findings revealed that participants in the "hit" condition (M = 34.14, SD = 0.66) reported significantly lower speed than those in the "smashed" condition (M = 41.73, SD = 0.71), t(28) = -5.77, p = .005, mean difference = -7.60, 95% CI [-10.30, -4.90], d = 1.01 (large), indicating that word choice influences average

speed estimates.

The dependent variable (i.e., speed estimates) was continuous, fulfilling the assumption of the measurement scale for conducting an independent *t*-test. Each of the participants only participated once in either the "hit" or the "smashed" condition. Neither of the Shapiro-Wilk statistics from both groups of participants was significant, which indicated the non-violated assumption of normality. The Levene's statistic was also non-significant, such that equal variances of self-compassion in both groups can be assumed.

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