# Reader research: a small pilot

Fictional report for the IntentX PDF walkthrough

## Purpose

A fictional team tested whether a shorter onboarding guide helped readers complete their first research task. This document is an illustrative example, not a real study.

## Method

Twelve volunteers used the original guide in week one and a shorter guide in week two. The same people took part in both weeks. Researchers recorded task completion and asked participants what was confusing.

## Results

Eight of twelve participants completed the task in week one. Ten of twelve completed it in week two. The most common difficulty was finding the original source after reading a summary.

## Limitations

The sample was small and participants were not randomly assigned. Practice from week one may explain some of the improvement. The pilot cannot establish that the shorter guide caused the increase in completion.

## Recommendation

Run a larger randomized comparison. Keep a visible link to the source document beside each summary and measure whether readers can verify the key claim.