Study 1

subj: subject number, from 1 to 96 **gender:** the gender of the participant

boys = 1, girls = 2

age: the age group of the participant

5-year-olds = 5, 6-year-olds = 6, 7-year-olds = 7

trait: the trait that children made judgments about

nice = 0, smart = 1

stereo: the proportion of trials on which children linked the target trait (smart or nice) with people

of their own gender

Study 2

subj: subject number, from 1 to 144 **gender:** the gender of the participant

boys = 1, girls = 2

age: the age group of the participant

5-year-olds = 5, 6-year-olds = 6, 7-year-olds = 7

trait: the trait that children made judgments about

nice = 0, smart = 1

target: the age of the stereotype targets

children = 0, adults = 1

stereo: the proportion of trials on which children linked the target trait (smart or nice) with people of their own gender

grades: the proportion of trials on which children indicated that children of their own gender were high-achieving in school

Study 3

subj: subject number, from 1 to 64 **gender:** the gender of the participant

boys = 1, girls = 2

age: the age group of the participant 6-year-olds = 6, 7-year-olds = 7

game: the type of the novel game try-hard = 0, smart = 1

interest: the average score across the four questions measuring children's interest in the game (which were standardized before averaging)

difference: the difference score between children's interest towards the "smart" game and their interest towards the "try-hard" game

stereo: the average score across the two questions measuring children's tendency to link the target trait (smart) with people of their own gender (which were standardized before averaging)

Study 4

subj: subject number, from 1 to 96 **gender:** the gender of the participant

boys = 1, girls = 2

age: the age group of the participant 5-year-olds = 5, 6-year-olds = 6

interest: the average score across the four questions measuring children's interest in the "smart" game (which were standardized before averaging)

Studies 1 and 2 (with demographic information)

study: the study in which the participant was tested

study 1 = 1, study 2 = 2

subj: subject number, from 1 to 240 **gender:** the gender of the participant

boys = 1, girls = 2

age: the age group of the participant

5-year-olds = 5, 6-year-olds = 6, 7-year-olds = 7

trait: the trait that children made judgments about

nice = 0, smart = 1

stereo: the proportion of trials on which children linked the target trait (smart or nice) with people of their own gender

race: the race of the participant

American Indian or Alaskan Native = 1, Asian or Pacific Islander = 2, African American = 3, Latino/ Hispanic = 4, Caucasian, not of Hispanic origin = 5, Biracial = 6

race2: a dichotomous variable for race

Caucasian = 1, non-Caucasian = 0

eduave: the average education level (in years) across two caregivers

less than a high school diploma = 10, high school diploma = 12, Associate's degree = 14, Bachelor's degree (B.A, B.S.) = 16, Master's degree (M.A., M.S.) = 18, Professional Degree (M.D., Ph.D., etc.) = 20

income: the gross income of the household

ses: a composite of education and household income (these two variables were standardized and then averaged)

Studies 3 and 4 (with demographic information)

study: the study in which the participant was tested

study 3 = 3, study 4 = 4 **subj**: subject number, from 1 to 160 **gender:** the gender of the participant

boys = 1, girls = 2

age: the age group of the participant

5-year-olds = 5, 6-year-olds = 6, 7-year-olds = 7

interest: the average score across the four questions measuring children's interest in the "smart" game. Responses to each question were first standardized across children whose parents provided demographic information; next, the standardized scores for the four questions were averaged. Children without demographic information were not included in this analysis, nor were responses to the "try-hard" game (Study 3).

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