

famous personalities for their experiment because it was easy to find photos taken at different angles.

The eight sheep, selected from the university's flock, were trained for the task with the help of two computer screens. One projected a celebrity photo, while the other showcased a black screen or a random object. Each time the sheep chose the correct image by breaking the infrared beam with its nose, it received a food pellet. Wrong identification resulted in a loud buzzer and no treat.

Once the animals were familiar with the four celebrities, they were put to the test. This time, both screens featured photos, one of the stars and the other of a random person. The researchers found that the sheep were right 75 percent of the time. Though impressive, it was not enough to conclude if the animals had actually recognised the faces or just had good memories. To ensure it was the former, the sheep were exposed to the four celebrities again. This time, the photos, taken from a different angle, showed their faces tilted. Though the success rate was a slightly lower 66 percent, it was enough to prove the sheep's facial recognition abilities.

For the final part of the trial, the researchers projected a photo of the animals' handler, who they see for at least two hours a day, alongside one of a random person. Sure enough, most of the sheep picked the handler. One appeared a little confused and went back and forth between the two, before finally settling for the right image. Their ability to identify a 2D photo of a 3D human with no previous training was ultimate proof that sheep have facial recognition capabilities.

While knowing that sheep don't just blindly follow people is enlightening, there is a more **vital** purpose for the study. The researchers hope that understanding how the sheep's brain works will give them insight into various diseases.

36. Choose the best title or heading for the passage.
- A. Knowing Me, Knowing You
 - B. A New Breed
 - C. Sheep Know Famous People
 - D. Science Gone Mad
37. Why were the celebrities chosen for the experiment?
- A. They are very famous.
 - B. There are many pictures available.
 - C. The researchers knew them.
 - D. They all looked very different to each other.
38. What did showing pictures at different angles prove?
- A. Hunger
 - B. Eye sight
 - C. Recognition
 - D. Nothing
39. The scientists also tested reactions to photos of people _____.
- A. from earlier parts of the tests
 - B. the sheep knew
 - C. who look like their trainer
 - D. who they have never met before
40. What is the meaning of the word 'vital' in the last paragraph?
- A. Treacherous
 - B. Life giving
 - C. Demanding
 - D. Important