

Age of Wonder Curated Dataset Storage guide for York students

Congratulations on having your project using the *Age of Wonder Curated Dataset* approved!

Because this data contains real data collected from human participants taking part in the Age of Wonder study, it is essential that you follow strict data governance practices.

Please read this guide carefully and ensure you understand it fully. If you have any questions, please discuss with your academic supervisor(s) in the first instance. For further assistance, please email dohs-aow-project@york.ac.uk.

Data storage

- **University Shared Filestore Only.** Data must be stored in a [University Shared Filestore](#) only. Access to this filestore should be strictly limited to you and your academic supervisor(s).
- **Local mapping v local saving.** University IT Services provide guidance on how to map a filestore to your local computer on [Windows](#), [Mac](#), and [Linux](#). This will allow you to work on the files using your own device and when off campus (via the [virtual private network](#)). **You must not copy, download or save the data to your local drive or portable drives.**

Strictly Prohibited Actions

- **No internet uploads.** Do not upload the data to the internet under any circumstances.
- **No cloud storage.** Do not upload the data to cloud-based storage. This includes your University of York Google Drive, Microsoft OneDrive, Dropbox, or any other personal or shared cloud accounts.
- **No Generative AI.** It is strictly forbidden to upload any part of this dataset into AI tools (such as ChatGPT, Google Gemini, or Claude, or any other AI tool) for analysis, formatting or any other task.

Physical security

- **Ensure your device is secure.** Never leave your computer unattended while the filestore is mapped. Ensure your device is password protected and not shared with others.

Open Science & Submissions

- **No data sharing (including the VLE).** Open Science principles usually encourage data sharing, but it is **not allowed** with this dataset. Do not upload the data to the VLE as part of your assignment submissions. If this creates a barrier for your assessment, have your supervisor contact your programme team and dohs-aow-project@york.ac.uk as soon as possible.
- **Aggregate data is fine!** It is perfectly fine to put aggregate data (e.g. means, standard deviations) and results (e.g. ANOVA tables, regression coefficients, model performance metrics) into your dissertations. However, raw, individual participant-level data (e.g. rows of data, specific participant IDs) must **not** appear in your dissertation or appendices.

- **Code sharing is encouraged!** You are highly encouraged to share your analytic code (e.g., R, SPSS, Python scripts) in line with Open Science practices. However, you must ensure that no raw data or identifying participant information is embedded within the code files.

Project conclusion

- **Secure Deletion:** Your shared filestore must be deleted as soon as your project is officially completed. Once done, either you or your supervisor must email **dohs-aow-project@york.ac.uk** to confirm the deletion.

Reporting data incidents

- If you realise data has been accidentally copied locally, synced to a personal cloud, entered into an AI tool or any other breach of these guidelines, **report it immediately to your supervisor and dohs-aow-project@york.ac.uk.**

We hope you enjoy working with the Age of Wonder Curated Dataset!