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The sizes of the different samples are detailed in the Methods sections: "participants" and "Testing the Primacy model across participant characteristics and neural signals", on pages 27 and 28 respectively, as well as throughout the Results. These sizes were chosen to be necessarily larger than the minimal number of participants required to reach significant neural results when analyzing fMRI data (according to the studies titled "Estimating sample size in functional MRI (fMRI) neuroimaging studies: Statistical power analyses" and "Sample size evolution in neuroimaging research: An evaluation of highly-cited studies (1990–2012) and of latest practices (2017–2018) in high-impact journals" the lower boundary should be of 12-24 subjects). Moreover, we made sure to have a sufficient sample size to enable a leave-out sample validation when developing and fitting the different mood models (in this validation a sub-sample of 40% randomly selected participants were modelled first then followed by confirmatory analysis on the entire sample). In addition, we conducted a power analysis for the effect of mood modification in the Structured-Adaptive task, which resulted in a requirement for a sample size between 9-16 subjects to repeat a similar effect on mood (depending on the effect of interest), which was also much smaller than the sample size we have used (60-89 participants).

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See Methods, "Model comparison" section, page 25, for a detailed description and justification of the statistical test used to compare model performance. Additional statistical tests that were used are presented with detailed estimates in each section of the Results, as well as in the Methods sections "Statistical testing of the influence of reward environments on mood" on page 28 and "Statistical significance" on page 31.

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To enable the reproducibility of this study we made scripts and datasets available online at:
https://osf.io/vw7sz/?view_only=e8cb4ef6782e4735815867203971994a.
This online repository includes all code and source-data required to replicate the main results. Specifically, mood modeling scripts, the source-data of Figure 2 (the three tasks values and mood ratings of all participants); neural analyses scripts (the code for generating the full processing stream for each participant as well as the group level model-based correlation analysis); whole-brain neural imaging files which are presented in Figure 4.