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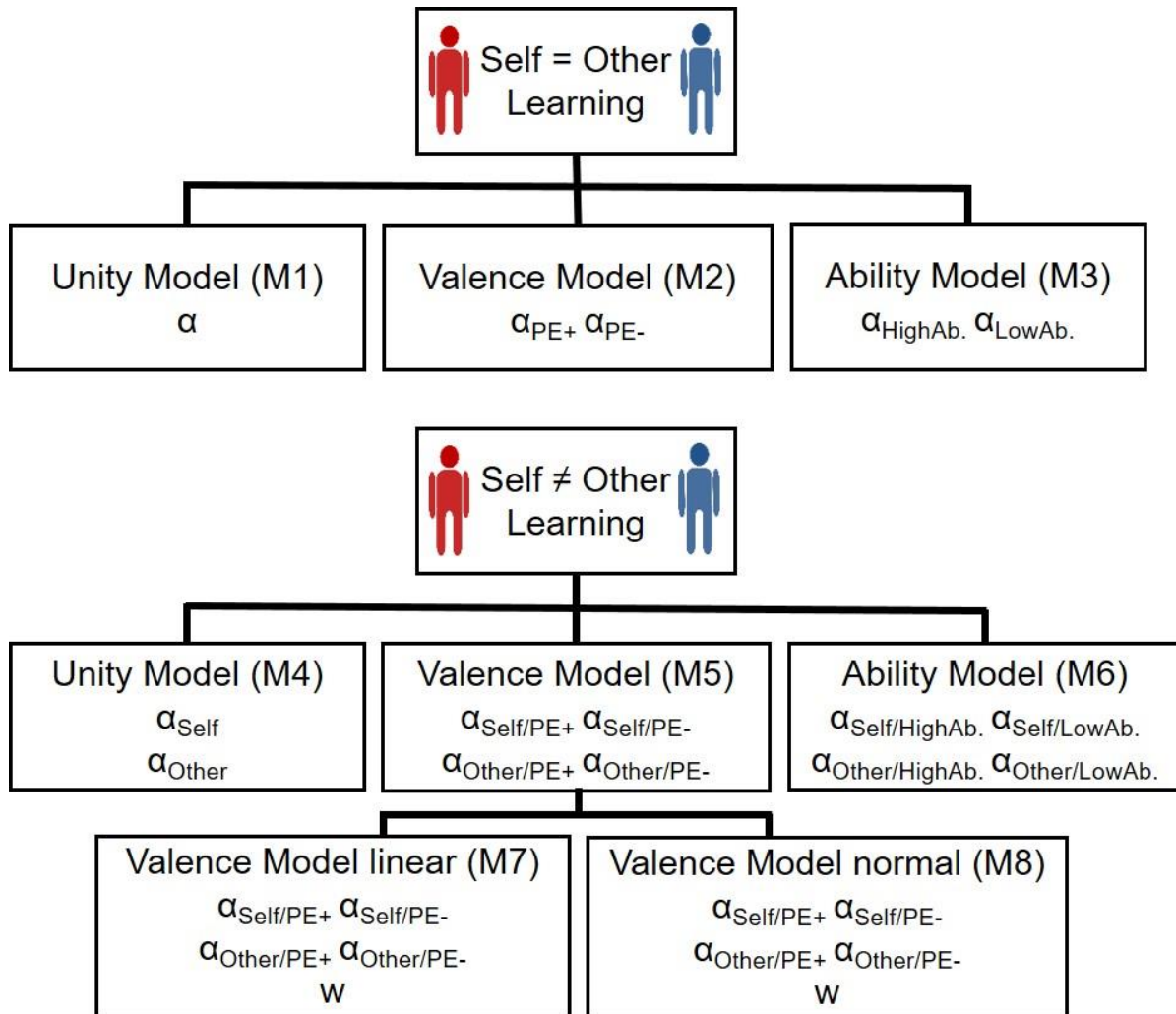
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15 **Supplementary Information**

16 **Supplementary Figures**

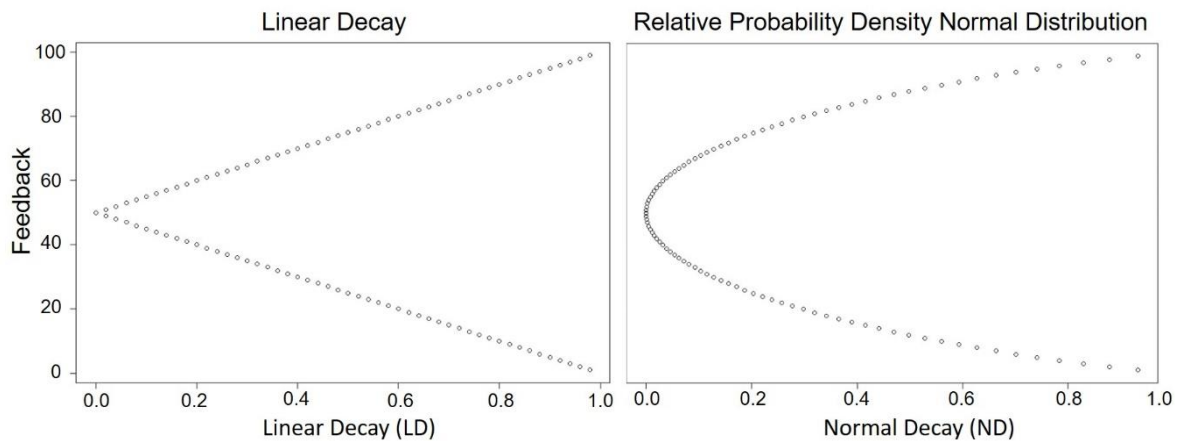


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18 **Figure S1.** Structure of the model space. Two factors were distinguished that impact learning
 19 rates (α): the agent (self vs other) and the impact (no impact: Unity Model) of prediction error
 20 valence (Valence Model) or the ability condition (Ability Model). The Valence Model,
 21 winning model in previous studies ¹, was extended by a decay factor (w) for the learning rates
 22 towards the ends of the feedback scale with a linear decrease (Valence Model linear) or a
 23 decrease following the relative probability density of the normal distribution (Valence Model
 24 normal; for more details see **Methods** and **Supplementary Methods** section).

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 28 **Figure S2.** Depiction of the linear decay (left) and the decay following the relative probability
 29 density of the normal distribution (right) for the different feedback values. The values depicted
 30 here were introduced in the learning models and weighted by a weighting factor as described
 31 in the **Supplementary Methods** section.

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 35 **Supplementary Methods**

36 **Further information on the model space.**

37 For the learning models the following PE delta-rule update equation (adapted
 38 Rescorla-Wagner model)² was used (EXP: Performance expectation rating, FB = feedback,
 39 PE = prediction error, α = learning rate):

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$$\text{EXP}_{t+1} = \text{EXP}_t + \alpha \text{PE}_t; \text{ while } \text{PE}_t = \text{FB}_t - \text{EXP}_t$$

41 Depending on the model (see **Figure S1** and **Methods** section) learning rates were adapted
 42 with respect to the different conditions (Agent, Ability condition or PE valence) and the initial
 43 beliefs about the own and the other participant's performance (EXP_1) were estimated as free
 44 parameters separately for Self and Other as well as both Ability conditions, resulting in four
 45 additional model parameters. The linear (LD) and normal decay (ND; values depicted in
 46 **Figure S2**) weighted by the weighting factor w that reduce the learning rates towards the ends
 47 of the scale were introduced in the learning models in the following way:

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$$\text{EXP}_{t+1} = \text{EXP}_t + \alpha \text{PE}_t (1 - w \text{LD}); \text{ for the linear decrease};$$

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$$\text{EXP}_{t+1} = \text{EXP}_t + \alpha \text{PE}_t (1 - w \text{ND}); \text{ for the normal decrease.}$$

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 51 **Supplementary Results**

52 **Posterior predictive checks: Behavioral analyses on the predicted data.**

53 To assess whether our winning model captured the core effects in our model free
 54 analysis, we let the parametrized winning model predict the time course of EXP for each
 55 participant, and compared these model predictions against the actual data (see **Figure 1c**).

56 **Figure 1c** visually confirms the ability of the model to capture the observed data despite its
57 small number of parameters. We repeated the behavioral analyses we had done on the actual
58 behavioral data on the predicted data. The Trial x Ability condition x Agent condition x Group
59 ANOVA on the predicted data revealed a significant main effect of Ability condition
60 ($F_{(1,67)}=205.28, p<.001$) and interaction of Trial x Ability condition ($F_{(19,1273)}=268.90, p<.001$)
61 replicating the effect that participants learned over time. More negative performance
62 expectations for the self could also be replicated as indicated by the main effect of Agent
63 ($F_{(1,67)}=44.48, p<.001$), while there was again no significant interaction of Agent condition x
64 Ability condition ($F_{(1,67)}=0.63, p=.429$). The three-way interaction of Trial x Agent condition
65 x Ability condition ($F_{(19,1273)}=2.28, p=.001$) showed a significant effect indicating differential
66 learning patterns between the Ability conditions for self vs other. There was a significant main
67 effect of Group ($F_{(1,67)}=4.33, p=.041$), but there was no interaction of Group with any of the
68 effects reported above ($p>.155$). Repeating the behavioral analysis done on the model free
69 data onto the predictions thus confirmed that it recapitulates the main effects in our data.

70 **Specific associations of embarrassment and pride with neural activity in response** 71 **to self-related prediction error valence.**

72 To test whether embarrassment and pride had independent effects on neural activity in
73 response to self-related PE valence within our predefined ROIs, we extracted parameter
74 estimated for the effect of the parametric weights for PE valence [neg↗pos] for each whole
75 ROI. Mean parameter estimates for the whole ROIs were then entered into regression models
76 predicting the neural activity with both affect ratings simultaneously. We found independent
77 effects of pride ($\beta=0.36, t_{(36)}=2.63, p=.012$) and embarrassment ($\beta=-0.39, t_{(36)}=-2.82, p=.008$;
78 $R^2=.33, F_{(2,36)}=8.94, p<.001$) within the amygdala. We also found independent effects of pride
79 ($\beta=0.43, t_{(36)}=3.17, p=.003$) and embarrassment ($\beta=-0.36, t_{(36)}=-2.63, p=.013$; $R^2=.36$,
80 $F_{(2,36)}=10.10, p<.001$) within the dAI. For the vAI we found a significant effect of pride
81 ($\beta=0.38, t_{(36)}=2.61, p=.013$) and a trend-wise effect of embarrassment ($\beta=-0.29, t_{(36)}=-2.01$,
82 $p=.052$; $R^2=.26, F_{(2,36)}=6.47, p=.004$). Independent effects for pride ($\beta=0.39, t_{(36)}=2.85$,
83 $p=.007$) and embarrassment ($\beta=-0.40, t_{(36)}=-2.91, p=.006$; $R^2=.36, F_{(2,36)}=9.97, p<.001$) were
84 also present for the mPFC and we also found independent effects of pride ($\beta=0.32, t_{(36)}=2.39$,
85 $p=.022$) and embarrassment ($\beta=-0.46, t_{(36)}=-3.37, p=.002$; $R^2=.36, F_{(2,36)}=10.20, p<.001$) for
86 the VTA/ SN.

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90 **Supplementary Tables**

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Table S1. PSIS-LOO Scores

Model	PSIS-LOO	LOO-SE	LOO-Diff (SE-Diff)	% of $\hat{k} > 0.7$	No. Est. Parameters
Mean Model (M0)	-2644.4	319.7	1436.1 (142.8)	0.07	4
Self = Other					
Unity Model (M1)	-1801.3	396.5	593.0 (109.0)	0.47	5
Context Model (M2)	-1681.2	367.8	472.9 (80.6)	0.58	6
Valence Model (M3)	-1679.3	388.0	470.9 (93.9)	0.74	6
Self \neq Other					
Unity Model (M4)	-1621.2	363.6	412.9 (75.5)	0.34	6
Context Model (M5)	-1599.9	372.6	391.6 (69.2)	1.43	8
Valence Model (M6)	-1346.4	333.6	138.1 (39.0)	0.53	8
ext. Valence Model (M7)	-1251.4	349.2	43.1 (16.7)	1.58	9
ext. Valence Model (M8)	-1208.3	357.7	-	1.39	9

Note. LOO = sum PSIS-LOO, approximate leave-one-out cross-validation (LOO) using Pareto-smoothed importance sampling (PSIS); LOO-SE = Standard error of PSIS-LOO; LOO-Diff (SE-Diff) = Difference in expected predictive accuracy (PSIS-LOO) for all models from the model with the highest PSIS-LOO (extended Valence Model M8) and standard errors of differences; percentage of \hat{k} - estimated shape parameters of the generalized Pareto distribution - exceeding 0.7 (all according to Vehtari et al. 2016); No. Est. Parameters = number of estimated parameters in the model.

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Table S2. Activations Associated with Feedback Processing

Contrasts/ Brain Regions	Side	Cluster Size	MNI Coordinates			T	p
			x	y	z		
Self > Other							
Anterior Cingulate Gyrus/ Paracingulate Gyrus	R/L	1626	6	38	14	8.58	<.001
Frontal Pole	R		45	47	-7	8.33	<.001
Insular Cortex / Frontal Orbital Cortex							
	R		36	17	-7	7.81	<.001
Insular Cortex / Frontal Orbital Cortex							
	L	126	-36	17	-10	7.14	<.001
Anterior/ Posterior Supramarginal Gyrus	R	234	48	-37	47	6.73	<.001
Inferior Frontal Gyrus, pars opercularis/ Precentral Gyrus	R	74	51	14	14	5.8	.001
Thalamus	R/L	54	6	-7	-1	5.23	.005
			-3	-10	-4	5.21	.005
			3	-22	-1	5.03	.011
Other > Self							
Anterior/ Posterior Middle Temporal Gyrus	L	104	-60	-10	-13	6.85	<.001
Angular Gyrus / Superior Lateral Occipital Gyrus	R	100	57	-58	23	6.68	<.001
Precuneus Cortex / Posterior Cingulate Cortex	R/L	176	3	-52	35	6.54	<.001
Posterior Cingulate Cortex/ Precuneus Cortex			-12	-46	35	4.83	.022
Anterior Middle/ Anterior Superior Temporal Gyrus	R	69	60	-1	-19	6.41	<.001
Temporal Pole			51	14	-31	5.98	<.001
Self: Positive PE > Negative PE							
Angular Gyrus/ Superior Parietal Lobule	L	612	-42	-55	44	8.01	<.001
Superior Parietal Lobule/Superior Lateral Occipital Cortex			-36	-58	56	7.32	<.001
Angular Gyrus/ Superior Lateral Occipital Cortex	R	377	48	-58	38	7.51	<.001
Angular Gyrus/ Superior Parietal Lobule			45	-49	53	5.81	.001
Anterior/ Posterior Supramarginal Gyrus			51	-37	50	5.69	.001
Superior Frontal Gyrus/ Middle Frontal Gyrus	L	474	-15	29	53	7.45	<.001
Middle Frontal Gyrus/ Superior Frontal Gyrus			-36	20	50	6.43	<.001
Middle Frontal Gyrus			-39	26	41	6.04	<.001
Caudate	R	434	12	20	2	6.83	<.001
Caudate / Accumbens	L		-9	20	2	6.83	<.001
Paracingulate Gyrus/ Anterior Cingulate Gyrus	R/L		0	47	-1	5.81	.001
Posterior/ Anterior Cingulate Gyrus	R/L	436	0	-28	32	6.14	<.001
Posterior Cingulate Gyrus/ Precuneus Cortex			-6	-55	29	6.03	<.001
Posterior Cingulate Gyrus			-3	-37	29	5.61	.001
Interaction: Self > Other, Positive PE > Negative PE							
Angular Gyrus/ Superior Lateral Occipital Cortex	R	19	48	-58	41	5.28	.004
Angular Gyrus/ Superior Parietal Lobule	L	9	-42	-55	44	4.78	.027
			-42	-55	53	4.76	.028
Putamen/ Pallidum	R	1	18	5	-10	4.67	.038

Note. Cluster extends refer to $p < .05$, FWE corrected for the whole brain and p -values are FWE for the whole brain, respectively. Only clusters with more than 50 voxels are reported. For the interaction contrast ([Self Positive PE > Self Negative PE] > [Other Positive PE > Other Negative PE]) all clusters are reported.

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Table S3. Activations Associated with Feedback Processing: Interaction of Agent * PE Valence

Contrasts/ Brain Regions	Side	Cluster Size	MNI Coordinates			T	p
			x	y	z		
			Interaction: Self > Other, Positive > Negative				
Angular Gyrus/ Superior Lateral Occipital Cortex	R	229	48	-58	41	5.28	.002
			57	-61	20	3.55	
Angular Gyrus / Superior Parietal Lobule	L	303	-42	-55	44	4.78	.001
			-42	-55	53	4.76	
Angular Gyrus / Posterior Supramarginal Gyrus			-48	-55	29	4.57	
Putamen/ Pallidum	R	380	18	5	-10	4.67	<.001
Caudate / Accumbens	R		12	20	-1	4.56	
Caudate / Accumbens	L		-9	20	-1	4.55	
Precentral gyrus	L	162	-18	-19	53	3.95	.008
			-27	-13	44	3.79	
			-24	-25	41	3.71	
Posterior Cingulate Gyrus/ Precuneus Cortex	R/L	296	-15	-43	32	3.91	.001
Precuneus Cortex/ Posterior Cingulate Gyrus			-3	-58	35	3.87	
Posterior Cingulate Gyrus/ Precuneus Cortex			6	-43	26	3.73	
Cerebellum Left Crus I / Crus II	L	154	-12	-82	-25	3.73	.009
Occipital Fusiform Gyrus / Cerebellum Left Crus I			-30	-79	-1	3.69	
Occipital Fusiform Gyrus / Inferior Lateral Occipital Cortex			-30	-85	-10	3.65	

Note. Cluster extends refer to $p < .001$, uncorrected and p -values are FWE corrected on the cluster level.

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Table S4. Activations Associated with the Parametric Weights of PE Surprise

Contrasts/ Brain Regions	Side	Cluster Size	MNI Coordinates			T	p
			x	y	z		
Self: PE Surprise							
Paracingulate Gyrus/ Superior Frontal Gyrus	L/R	237	-6	50	20	5.75	.002
Temporal Pole/ Superior Frontal Gyrus			3	56	14	4.39	
Temporal Pole/ Frontal Orbital Cortex							
	L	107	-39	17	-22	5.57	.028
			-30	11	-28	5.10	
Frontal Orbital Cortex / Insular Cortex	R	165	30	23	-13	4.35	.009
Temporal Pole			51	14	-28	4.29	
Frontal Orbital Cortex			39	26	-16	4.23	
Other: PE Surprise							
Temporal Pole/ Frontal Orbital Cortex	L	220	-33	17	-28	6.90	.001
Anterior/Posterior Middle Temporal Gyrus			-63	-10	-19	5.17	
Temporal Pole/ Anterior Middle Temporal Cortex			-57	2	-25	4.56	
Temporal Pole/ Frontal Orbital Cortex	R	279	39	20	-28	6.75	<.001
Temporal Pole			48	17	-31	5.27	
Temporal Pole/ Anterior Middle Temporal Cortex			51	8	-31	4.86	
Angular Gyrus/ Posterior Supramarginal Gyrus	R	291	48	-46	26	6.48	<.001
Superior Lateral Occipital Cortex			39	-79	26	4.14	
Superior/ Inferior Lateral Occipital Cortex			51	-67	23	3.71	
Superior Frontal Gyrus/ Frontal Pole	R/L	510	6	53	26	6.41	<.001
Superior Frontal Gyrus/ Paracingulate Gyrus			-3	53	23	6.24	
Frontal Pole/ Superior Frontal Gyrus			9	47	47	5.50	
Posterior Supramarginal Gyrus/ Angular Gyrus	L	237	-51	-49	17	5.35	.001
Angular Gyrus/ Superior Lateral Occipital Gyrus			-57	-58	29	4.96	
Posterior Supramarginal Gyrus/ Angular Gyrus			-60	-49	32	4.52	

Note. PE surprise refers to the unsigned prediction error values as parametric modulator for the feedback phase. Cluster extends refer to $p < .001$, uncorrected and p -values are FWE corrected on the cluster level.

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Table S5. Activations Associated with the Parametric Weights of PE Valence

Contrasts/ Brain Regions	Side	Cluster Size	MNI			T	p
			Coordinates				
			x	y	z		
Self: PE Valence							
Superior/ Middle Frontal Gyrus	L	197	-15	29	53	7.07	<.001
Middle/ Superior Frontal Gyrus			-36	17	50	6.38	.002
Middle Frontal Gyrus			-39	23	38	5.75	.009
Superior Parietal Lobule/ Superior Lateral Occipital Cortex	L	199	-36	-58	56	6.96	<.001
Angular Gyrus/ Posterior Supramarginal Gyrus			-45	-55	35	6.77	.001
Caudate / Accumbens	L	139	-9	20	-1	6.76	.001
Caudate / Accumbens	R		12	17	-1	6.41	.002
Superior Lateral Occipital Gyrus/ Angular Gyrus	R	121	48	-61	41	6.48	.001
Posterior Supramarginal Gyrus/ Angular Gyrus			51	-46	47	6.34	.002
Superior Parietal Lobule/ Angular Gyrus			39	-55	56	5.44	.020
Postcentral Gyrus/ Superior Parietal Lobule	L	50	-45	-34	56	6.08	.004
Postcentral Gyrus/ Posterior Supragarginal Gyrus			-45	-28	41	5.53	.016
Self > Other: PE Valence							
Accumbens	L	19	-9	26	-1	5.77	0.008
Caudate/ Accumbens	R	2	12	17	-4	5.23	0.034

Note. PE valence refers to the signed prediction error values as parametric modulator for the feedback phase. Cluster extends refer to $p < .05$, FWE corrected for the whole brain and p -values are FWE corrected for the whole brain, respectively. Only clusters with more than 50 voxels are reported for the Self: PE Valence contrast.

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Table S6. Activations Associated with the Parametric Weights of Feedback and Self-Related Expectations

Contrasts/ Brain Regions	Side	Cluster Size	MNI			T	p
			Coordinates				
			x	y	z		
Self: Feedback Value							
Caudate/ Accumbens	L	252	-6	17	2	7.63	<.001
Caudate/ Accumbens	R		12	17	-1	7.21	<.001
Superior Frontal Gyrus	L	312	-15	29	56	7.40	<.001
Middle Frontal Gyrus/ Superior Frontal Gyrus							<.001
			-36	14	50	7.34	
Middle Frontal Gyrus			-39	23	38	6.79	.001
							.001
Angular Gyrus/ Posterior Supramarginal Gyrus	L	314	-45	-55	32	6.75	.001
			-45	-55	41	6.61	.001
Superior Parietal Lobule/ Superior Lateral Occipital Cortex			-36	-58	56	6.52	.001
Angular Gyrus/ Superior Lateral Occipital Cortex	R	220	45	-58	38	6.74	.001
Posterior Supramarginal Gyrus/ Angular Gyrus			54	-43	47	6.65	.001
			48	-43	38	5.88	.007
Middle Frontal Gyrus	R	101	39	23	41	5.90	.001
Middle Frontal Gyrus/ Superior Frontal Gyrus			33	23	50	6.51	.007
Superior Frontal Gyrus/ Middle Frontal Gyrus			27	23	56	5.77	.009
	R/L	49	-3	53	-1	6.10	.004
Paracingulate Gyrus/ Frontal Medial Cortex			-3	38	5	5.62	.014
Cerebellum Crus I/ Crus II	R	49	39	-64	-40	6.00	.005
			45	-73	-37	5.77	.009
			36	-73	-46	5.17	.045
Postcentral Gyrus/ Superior Parietal Lobule	L	64	-45	-34	56	5.98	.005
Postcentral Gyrus/ Anterior Supramarginal Gyrus			-45	-28	41	5.53	.018
Anterior Supramarginal Gyrus/ Postcentral Gyrus			-48	-34	47	5.42	.023
Self: Expectation (negative associations)							
Middle Frontal Gyrus	L	27	-36	14	53	6.73	.001
Accumbens/ Caudate	L	23	-9	20	-4	6.33	.003
Superior Frontal Gyrus/ Middle Frontal Gyrus							.004
	L	48	-18	26	56	6.21	
Superior Frontal Gyrus/ Frontal Pole							.016
			-6	38	50	5.72	
Angular Gyrus/ Superior Lateral Occipital Cortex	R	20	45	-58	38	6.09	.006
Accumbens/ Caudate	R	22	12	17	-7	6.04	.007
Cerebellum Crus I/ Crus II	R	32	42	-73	-37	5.93	.009
Angular Gyrus/ Posterior Supramarginal Gyrus	L	6	-39	-52	35	5.70	.017

Note. Cluster extends refer to $p < .05$, FWE corrected for the whole brain and p -values are FWE for the whole brain, respectively. Only clusters with more than 50 voxels are reported for the Self: Feedback Value contrast.

Table S7. Covariates Associated with Individual Differences in Valence Specific Prediction Error Tracking

Covariates/ Regions of Interest	Side	Cluster Size	MNI			T	p	
			Coordinates					
			x	y	z			
Valence Learning Bias								
Amygdala	R	10	30	2	-28	4.05	.007	
	L	7	-30	5	-19	3.92	.010	
Dorsal Anterior Insula	R	19	39	20	-7	3.67	.007	
	L	28	-30	11	-19	4.31	.004	
Ventral Anterior Insula	R	1	33	11	-16	3.54	.033	
	L	5	-33	11	-16	4.29	.005	
Ventral Tegmental Area/ Substantia Nigra	R/L	13	6	-13	-19	4.20	.009	
		2	6	-25	-16	3.70	.028	
		1	15	-13	-19	3.58	.037	
Medial Prefrontal Cortex	R/L	6	12	50	17	4.36	.018	
		9	-9	50	20	4.19	.027	
		1	-15	50	8	3.93	.050	
Pupil Valence Bias								
Amygdala	R	20	30	-1	-25	3.90	.012	
	L	5	-30	-1	-22	3.44	.034	
Dorsal Anterior Insula	R	1	42	14	-13	3.37	.043	
		L	6	-36	5	-13	3.76	.018
		2	-33	5	-1	3.32	.048	
Ventral Anterior Insula	R	3	42	-1	-19	4.43	.004	
		2	42	11	-16	3.55	.035	
		L	3	-36	5	-16	3.83	.018
Ventral Tegmental Area/ Substantia Nigra	R/L	3	15	-13	-19	3.69	.032	
		1	-12	-31	-16	3.50	.049	
Embarrassment								
Amygdala	R	1	30	2	-28	3.34	.040	
		L	4	-18	-7	-16	3.69	.018
		4	-27	2	-19	3.34	.040	
Dorsal Anterior Insula	R	8	39	14	-10	3.56	.027	
		L	-33	17	2	3.21	.059	
Ventral Anterior Insula	R		33	11	-16	3.08	.094	
		L	-33	5	-16	3.11	.089	
Ventral Tegmental Area/ Substantia Nigra	R/L	79	9	-25	-19	4.49	.004	
		14	-12	-28	-7	3.81	.023	
		2	-15	-10	-13	3.78	.025	
Medial Prefrontal Cortex	R/L		9	59	20	3.79	.071	
Pride								
Amygdala	R	5	33	2	-28	3.39	.037	

		1	21	2	-13	3.29	.045
	L		-21	-1	-16	3.20	.055
Dorsal Anterior Insula	R	29	39	17	-7	3.68	.020
		1	33	14	-13	3.29	.050
	L	22	-36	20	2	3.94	.011
Ventral Anterior Insula	R	6	42	-7	-13	3.94	.013
		1	33	11	-16	3.52	.036
	L	1	-42	11	-7	3.54	.035
Ventral Tegmental Area/ Substantia Nigra	R/L	10	0	-19	-19	3.95	.017
		1	15	-16	-19	3.52	.044
		1	21	-16	-10	3.47	.049
Medial Prefrontal Cortex	R/L	6	15	53	14	4.17	.030
		6	-9	50	23	4.02	.042

Note. Cluster extends refer to $p < .05$, FWE corrected within ROIs and p -values are FWE corrected within ROIs, respectively. Trendwise effects are indicated in grey.

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Table S8. Differential Functional Connectivity of the Dorsal Anterior Insula Associated with Prediction Error Valence

Covariates/ Regions of interest	Side	Cluster Size	MNI Coordinates			T	p
			x	y	z		
PPI Right Dorsal Anterior Insula							
Amygdala	R	6	33	-1	-31	4.46	.003
	L	2	-27	-4	-25	3.89	.013
		5	-24	2	-13	3.68	.022
Ventral Tegmental Area/ Substantia Nigra	R/L	5	-18	-16	-13	4.07	.015
Medial Prefrontal Cortex	R/L	11	-9	35	53	4.95	.005
		5	-6	59	26	4.62	.012
PPI Left Dorsal Anterior Insula							
Amygdala	L	3	-30	-4	-22	3.76	.019
Ventral Tegmental Area/ Substantia Nigra	R/L	3	-9	-13	-13	3.66	.042

Note. Stronger functional connectivity for negative vs positive PEs for self- vs other-related feedback. Cluster extends refer to $p < .05$, FWE corrected within ROIs and p -values are FWE corrected within ROIs, respectively.

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Table S9. Sample characteristics

	fMRI Sample		Behavioral Sample		p
	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	
Age	22.30	2.65	23.30	3.97	.234
Self-esteem	6.24	0.84	6.07	1.26	.522

Note. Sample characteristics for both samples. SD = standard deviation; fMRI Sample: n=39, Behavioral Sample: n = 30; p-value refers to a two sample t-test, df = 67.

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