

Title: Conspiracy theory question wording appendix for “Using an AI-powered ‘street epistemologist’ chatbot and reflection tasks to diminish conspiracy theory beliefs”

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## Appendix A: Conspiracy theory question wording

For each of the following statements, respondents were asked, “On a scale from 0–10, to what extent do you agree with the following statement?”

- Jeffrey Epstein, the billionaire accused of running an elite sex trafficking ring, was murdered to cover up the activities of his criminal network.
- There was a broad conspiracy, rather than a lone gunman, responsible for the assassination of President Kennedy.
- The Food and Drug Administration is deliberately preventing the public from getting natural cures for cancer and other diseases because of pressure from drug companies.
- There is a “deep state” embedded in the government that operates without oversight.
- School shootings like those at Sandy Hook, CT and Parkland, FL are false flag attacks.
- Climate change is a hoax perpetrated by corrupt scientists and politicians.
- Taylor Swift’s public involvement with a Kansas City Chiefs football player is part of a secret plot to ensure Joe Biden’s victory in the 2024 election.