Debunking Conspiracy Theories – Study 2b

Survey Flow

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Standard: Consent / Active Attention (4 Questions)

Branch: New Branch

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Standard: WritingScreen (1 Question)

WebService: POST - https://api.openai.com/v1/chat/completions - Fire and Forget

Branch: New Branch

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EndSurvey: Advanced

Standard: Demographics (12 Questions)

Standard: AI Survey (5 Questions)

Group: Person Specific

Standard: PersonSpecificConspiracy (2 Questions)

WebService: POST - https://api.openai.com/v1/chat/completions - Fire and Forget

Standard: C\_Restatement (4 Questions)

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conspiracyTheory = ${e://Field/conRestatement}

userBeliefLevel = ${q://QID52/TotalSum}

userResponse\_pt1 = ${q://QID50/ChoiceTextEntryValue}

userResponse\_pt2 = ${q://QID51/ChoiceTextEntryValue}

activeConditionNumber = 2

BlockRandomizer: 1 - Evenly Present Elements

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Branch: New Branch

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Group: Treatment Group

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systemMessageTemplate = "Your goal is to very effectively persuade users to stop believing in the conspiracy theory that {{conspiracyTheory}} You will be having a conversation with a person who, on a psychometric survey, endorsed this conspiracy as {{userBeliefLevel}} out of 100 (where 0 is Definitely False, 50 is Uncertain, and 100 is Definitely True). Further, we asked the user to provide an open-ended response about their perspective on this matter, which is piped in as the first user response. Please generate a response that will persuade the user that this conspiracy is not supported, based on their reasoning. Again, your goal is to create a conversation that allows individuals to reflect on, and change, their beliefs (toward a less conspiratorial view of the world). Use simple language that an average person will be able to understand."

Standard: treatmentInstruction (1 Question)

Group: Conversation Protocol

Block: runFunction\_1 (1 Question)

Standard: ConvoRound\_1 (3 Questions)

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userSecondResponse = ${q://QID5/ChoiceTextEntryValue}

Standard: runFunction\_2 (1 Question)

Standard: ConvoRound\_2 (2 Questions)

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userThirdResponse = ${q://QID7/ChoiceTextEntryValue}

Standard: runFunction\_3 (1 Question)

Standard: ConvoRound\_3 (2 Questions)

Branch: New Branch

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If messageType Matches Regex Control

BlockRandomizer: 1 - Evenly Present Elements

Group: Control Group 1 (Medical)

Standard: MedicalBlock0 (2 Questions)

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systemMessageTemplate = "Your objective is to engage deeply with users about their personal experiences and perceptions of the American medical system. Facilitate a thoughtful and nuanced discussion that allows the user to thoroughly express and elaborate on their experiences, views, and the impact of these experiences on their beliefs about healthcare. Use simple language that an average person will be able to understand, ensuring the conversation is accessible yet profound. Encourage users to share detailed accounts of their interactions with the medical system, including positive aspects, challenges faced, and how these experiences have shaped their understanding and trust in healthcare services. Your questions should be open-ended, prompting reflection on personal stories, the role of healthcare professionals in their lives, and the accessibility and quality of medical care they have received. While maintaining a focus on healthcare experiences, carefully navigate the discussion to avoid leading it toward conspiracy theories, politics, religion, or any other sensitive subjects that are unrelated to their direct experiences with the American medical system. Aim to understand the underlying values, concerns, and hopes that inform the user's perspectives on healthcare, fostering a conversation that mirrors the engagement and depth of the treatment condition. This discussion should offer insights into the complexities of navigating the healthcare system, the emotional and practical implications of these experiences, and the diverse viewpoints that individuals hold based on their personal journeys through the medical landscape. Your goal is to create a space for users to reflect on and articulate their healthcare experiences in a way that highlights the human aspect of navigating the American medical system, encouraging a dialogue that is both informative and empathetic."

userResponse = ${q://QID11/ChoiceTextEntryValue}

controlType = Medical

Group: Conversation Protocol

Block: runFunction\_1 (1 Question)

Standard: ConvoRound\_1 (3 Questions)

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userSecondResponse = ${q://QID5/ChoiceTextEntryValue}

Standard: runFunction\_2 (1 Question)

Standard: ConvoRound\_2 (2 Questions)

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userThirdResponse = ${q://QID7/ChoiceTextEntryValue}

Standard: runFunction\_3 (1 Question)

Standard: ConvoRound\_3 (2 Questions)

Group: Control Group 2 (Firefighters)

Standard: FirefighterBlock0 (2 Questions)

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systemMessageTemplate = "Your objective is to engage deeply with users about their experiences and beliefs related to firefighters. Facilitate a reflective and engaging discussion where the user can elaborate extensively on their personal experiences, perceptions, and the societal role of firefighters. Use simple language that an average person will understand. While avoiding discussions leading toward conspiracy theories, politics, religion, or any sensitive subjects, craft your questions and responses to encourage detailed storytelling and reflection. Prompt the user to think critically about their experiences and the impact of firefighters on their life and community. Your goal is to create a rich conversation that allows individuals to explore and articulate their thoughts in a nuanced way.”

userResponse = ${q://QID13/ChoiceTextEntryValue}

controlType = Firefighters

Group: Conversation Protocol

Block: runFunction\_1 (1 Question)

Standard: ConvoRound\_1 (3 Questions)

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userSecondResponse = ${q://QID5/ChoiceTextEntryValue}

Standard: runFunction\_2 (1 Question)

Standard: ConvoRound\_2 (2 Questions)

EmbeddedData

userThirdResponse = ${q://QID7/ChoiceTextEntryValue}

Standard: runFunction\_3 (1 Question)

Standard: ConvoRound\_3 (2 Questions)

Group: Control Group 3 (Cats vs. Dogs)

Standard: CatDogChat0 (2 Questions)

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systemMessageTemplate = "Your objective is to engage in a thoughtful and stimulating debate with users about whether cats or dogs are better companions. You should carefully listen to the key points of the user's argument and perspective, encouraging them to elaborate on their reasoning and experiences that lead to their preference. Use simple language that an average person will be able to understand."

userResponse = ${q://QID15/ChoiceTextEntryValue}

controlType = CatsDogs

Group: Conversation Protocol

Block: runFunction\_1 (1 Question)

Standard: ConvoRound\_1 (3 Questions)

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userSecondResponse = ${q://QID5/ChoiceTextEntryValue}

Standard: runFunction\_2 (1 Question)

Standard: ConvoRound\_2 (2 Questions)

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userThirdResponse = ${q://QID7/ChoiceTextEntryValue}

Standard: runFunction\_3 (1 Question)

Standard: ConvoRound\_3 (2 Questions)

Standard: Post\_Questions (1 Question)

Standard: Behavioral Intentions (4 Questions)

Group: Petition

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petitionSystemMessage = "Given this conspiracy theory – {{conspiracyTheory}} – generate a summary of a rich, highly realistic petition that is AGAINST the conspiracy theory in question. Further, we asked the user to provide an open-ended response about their beliefs concerning the conspiracy theory, which is piped in as the first user response. Use this as further context, but do not include unduly specific details in your petition that would lead someone to conclude that the petition was created to directly reflect the statement at hand. Be plausibly general, in other words. Please generate ONLY the petition summary in your reply.

Standard: Petition GPT pt. 1 (1 Question)

Standard: Petition GPT pt. 2 (2 Questions)

Standard: Trust (3 Questions)

Standard: EndBlock (2 Questions)

Standard: Debrief (1 Question)

EndSurvey: Advanced

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Start of Block: Consent / Active Attention

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 Please only continue if you are interested in completing a 17.5 minute survey. Thanks!

Consent This survey is part of a MIT scientific research project. Your decision to complete this survey is voluntary. If you give us permission by completing the survey, we plan to discuss/publish the results in an academic forum. In any publication, information will be provided in such a way that you cannot be identified. Only members of the research team will have access to the original data set. Before the data is shared outside the research team, any potentially identifying information will be removed. Once identifying data has been removed, the data may be used by the research team, or shared with other researchers, for both related and unrelated research purposes in the future. Your anonymized data may also be made available in online data repositories such as the Open Science Framework, which allow other researchers and interested parties to use the data for further analysis. Clicking on the arrow at the bottom of this page indicates that you are at least 18 years of age and agree to complete this survey voluntarily.

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End of Block: Consent / Active Attention

Start of Block: WritingScreen

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WritingScreener To start, we are interested in your experiences participating in online surveys (such as this one!). Why are you taking this survey? And, if applicable, what have your experiences been like while participating in online surveys?   
  
**Please answer in a few sentences, using enough detail to provide us with a sense of your experience.**

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End of Block: WritingScreen

Start of Block: Demographics

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Age What is your year of birth?

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Race Choose one or more races that you consider yourself to be:

* White (1)
* Black or African American (2)
* American Indian or Alaska Native (3)
* Asian (4)
* Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander (5)
* Other (6) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Hispanic Are you Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino?

* Yes (1)
* No (2)

Education What is the highest level of school you have completed or the highest degree you have received?

▼ Less than high school degree (1) ... Professional degree (JD, MD) (8)

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Gender What gender do you identify with?

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PartyAffil Generally speaking, do you usually think of yourself as a Republican, a Democrat, an Independent, or something else?

* Republican (1)
* Democrat (2)
* Independent (3)
* Other (4) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* No preference (5)

SocialConservatism Thinking about social and cultural issues, would you say your views on social/cultural issues are:

* Very conservative / right-wing (1)
* Conservative / right-wing (2)
* Moderate (3)
* Liberal / left-wing (4)
* Very liberal / left-wing (5)

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nicks Help us keep track of who is paying attention, please select -  "Somewhat disagree"  in the options below.

* Strongly agree (1)
* Agree (2)
* Somewhat agree (3)
* Neither agree nor disagree (4)
* Somewhat disagree (5)
* Disagree (6)
* Strongly disagree (7)

EconomicConservatism Thinking about economic and fiscal issues, would you say your views on economic/fiscal issues are:

* Very conservative / right-wing (1)
* Conservative / right-wing (2)
* Moderate (3)
* Liberal / left-wing (4)
* Very liberal / left-wing (5)

DemRep\_C Which of the following best describes your political preference?

* Strongly Democratic (1)
* Democratic (2)
* Lean Democratic (3)
* Lean Republican (4)
* Republican (5)
* Strongly Republican (6)

Demog\_14 What is your present religious affiliation (if any)?

▼ Protestant (Baptist, Methodist, Nondenominational, Lutheran, Presbyterian, Pentecostal, Reformed, Church of Christ, etc.) (1) ... Nothing in particular (12)

religion How much would you say you believe in God or gods?

▼ Not at all 0 (1) ... Very Much 7 (8)

End of Block: Demographics

Start of Block: AI Survey

Q78 **In the following section, you will be asked several questions about recent developments in artificial intelligence (AI).**

genai\_fam Recently, there have been major advances in using artificial intelligence (AI) across a wide range of important tasks. Some examples of these advancements are ChatGPT, which can produce text responses to human questions, and Stable Diffusion, which can generate images from prompts.  
  
How much, if anything, have you heard or read about recent advancements in AI such as ChatGPT and Stable Diffusion?

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genai\_use How often have you used recent AI tools and services such as ChatGPT and Stable Diffusion? Other examples are Midjourney, AlphaCode, GitHub Copilot, and Bard.

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|  | I have never used any of these kinds of AI tools | I have used these AI tools a moderate amount | I use these kinds of AI tools every day |

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screener3 When a big news story breaks, people often go online to get up-to-the-minute details on what is going on. We want to know which websites people trust to get this information. We also want to know if people are paying attention to the question. Please ignore the question and select FoxNews.com and NBC.com as your two answers.  
  
  
When there is a big news story, which is the one news website you would visit first? (Please choose only one):

* New York Times website (1)
* Huffington Post (2)
* CNN.com (3)
* FoxNews.com (4)
* Google News (5)
* Yahoo! News (6)
* NBC.com (7)
* USA Today website (8)
* Other (9) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

genai\_trust I generally trust new AI technologies like ChatGPT

* Strongly disagree (1)
* Disagree (2)
* Somewhat disagree (3)
* Neither agree nor disagree (4)
* Somewhat agree (5)
* Agree (6)
* Strongly agree (7)

End of Block: AI Survey

Start of Block: PersonSpecificConspiracy

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Conspiracy\_Solicitat Throughout history, various theories have emerged that suggest certain significant events or situations are the result of secret plans by individuals or groups. These theories often offer alternative explanations for events than those that are widely accepted by the public or presented by official sources.   
   
 **Some people call these "conspiracy theories”.**  
   
 Reflecting on this, are there any specific such theories that you find particularly credible or compelling?   
   
 Please describe one below and share your reasons for finding it compelling.

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Elaboration On the previous question, you wrote:   
  
  
"${Conspiracy\_Solicitat/ChoiceTextEntryValue}"   
 Could you share more about what led you to find this theory compelling? For instance, are there specific pieces of evidence, events, sources of information, or personal experiences that have particularly influenced your perspective?  
   
 Please describe these in as much detail as you feel comfortable.

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End of Block: PersonSpecificConspiracy

Start of Block: C\_Restatement

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Sureness On the previous question, you wrote about your views in greater detail.   
   
 We used an artificial intelligence tool to summarize your statement as follows:  
     
**${e://Field/conRestatement}**     
 On a scale of 0% to 100%, please indicate your level of confidence that this statement is true.   
  
(NOTE: This question is not about the quality of the summary but rather about your beliefs about the original theory itself).

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AI\_check Did the AI accurately summarize your perspective?

* No (1)
* Yes (2)

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Importance How important is this theory to your personal beliefs or understanding of the world?

* 0 - Not all all important to my beliefs and worldview (0)
* 1 (1)
* 2 - Slightly important (2)
* 3 (3)
* 4 - Moderately important (4)
* 5 (5)
* 6 - Very important (6)
* 7 (7)
* 8 - Extremely important to my beliefs and worldview. (8)
* Not applicable - I did not supply a theory (-999)

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DirectedConfidence How would you describe your level of confidence in the reliability and accuracy of the information that supports this theory?

* Not confident - I am skeptical of the information's reliability and accuracy. (0)
* Somewhat confident - I find some aspects credible, but I have reservations about other details. (1)
* Mostly confident - I believe the information is generally accurate, though minor details may be uncertain. (2)
* Completely confident - I am sure the information is accurate and reliable. (3)
* Not applicable - I did not supply a theory (-999)

End of Block: C\_Restatement

Start of Block: treatmentInstruction

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treatmentInstruction You will now be participating in a **conversation with an advanced AI** about some of the **events or topics that you have already answered questions about**. The purpose of this dialogue is to see how humans and AI can engage around complicated topics. Please be open and honest in your responses, and remember that the AI is neutral and non-judgmental. Your participation is confidential. Thank you for contributing to this study on AI and human interaction.

End of Block: treatmentInstruction

Start of Block: runFunction\_1

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Start of Block: ConvoRound\_1

Q55 **Note**: Please take the time to read each response from the AI thoroughly. This will help you understand its perspective and respond accurately. Feel free to ask the AI questions. This could be regarding clarifications, its understanding of your perspective, or any related topics.

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Q5 **AI:**    
  
**Continue the conversation below:**

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 All set! Please proceed by clicking the arrow button.

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Start of Block: ConvoRound\_2

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Q7 **AI:**    
  
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Q9 **AI:**    
  
**Enter your final message of the conversation below:**

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Start of Block: MedicalBlock0

MedInstructs You will now be participating in a conversation with an advanced AI about your views and experiences with the American medical system. The purpose of this dialogue is to see how AI can engage around complicated topics. Please be open and honest in your responses, and remember that the AI is neutral and non-judgmental. Your participation is confidential. Thank you for contributing to this study on AI and human interaction.

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gpt\_Response\_medFake **AI:** Hello, welcome to the study! To start, will you provide me with a quick overview of your experiences with the medical system (doctors, hospitals, medication) in the United States?  
   
 **Continue the conversation below:**

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End of Block: MedicalBlock0

Start of Block: FirefighterBlock0

Q12 You will now be participating in a conversation with an advanced AI about your views and experiences with firefighters. The purpose of this dialogue is to see how AI can engage around complicated topics. Please be open and honest in your responses, and remember that the AI is neutral and non-judgmental. Your participation is confidential. Thank you for contributing to this study on AI and human interaction.

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gpt\_Response\_firFake **AI:** Hello, welcome to the study! To start, will you provide me with a quick overview of your thoughts or experiences with fire fighting professionals in the United States?   
  
**Continue the conversation below:**

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End of Block: FirefighterBlock0

Start of Block: CatDogChat0

Q14 You will now be participating in a conversation with an advanced AI about your views on pets -- particularly, cats vs. dogs. The purpose of this dialogue is to see how AI can debate with human beings around various topics. Please be open and honest in your responses, and remember that the AI is neutral and non-judgmental. Your participation is confidential. Thank you for contributing to this study on AI and human interaction.

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Q15 **AI:** Hello, welcome to the study! To start, will you tell me about whether you prefer dogs or cats? Why?   
  
**Continue the conversation below:**

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Start of Block: Post\_Questions

DV\_Surety Now that you've had a chance to converse with the AI, we'd like to get back to some of the questions we asked at the beginning of the survey.   
   
 At the outset of this survey, you suggested that:  
   
 "${e://Field/conspiracyTheory}"   
  
***On a scale of 0% to 100%, please indicate your level of confidence that this statement is true.***

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Start of Block: Behavioral Intentions

Q113 Now, we'd like to ask you a series of brief questions focusing on your future actions. Specifically, we're interested in how you anticipate reacting to or engaging with the theory you mentioned at the start of this study. Please consider each statement in the context of your future encounters with this theory and indicate how you expect to act or respond.

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Misinformation\_Resis If you come across social media accounts or groups that frequently **promote** the theory you described, will you be more likely to:

* Unfollow or disconnect from the accounts/groups (1)
* Ignore the accounts/groups (0)
* Follow or connect with the accounts/groups (-1)

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Social\_Influence2 When discussing the theory with people who believe it to be **true**, you expect to:

* Strongly argue that it is not true (2)
* Argue that it is not true (1)
* Say nothing (0)
* Agree with them that it is true (-1)
* Strongly agree with them that it is true (-2)

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Protests If people you knew were going to engage in a protest or action **in support of** the theory you described, how likely would you be to join in?

* Extremely unlikely (2)
* Somewhat unlikely (1)
* Neither likely nor unlikely (0)
* Somewhat likely (-1)
* Extremely likely (-2)

End of Block: Behavioral Intentions

Start of Block: Petition GPT pt. 1

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Start of Block: Petition GPT pt. 2

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**Below is a summary of a petition related to the theory you provided at the beginning of this experiment. Would you like to publicly sign this petition?**  
   
  
   
  
**Having read it, would you like to sign this petition?**

* No (0)
* Yes (1)

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If Below is a summary of a petition related to the theory you provided at the beginning of this expe... = 1

PetitionExplain Thank you for your interest in signing a petition. If we find a petition online similar to what you have indicated an interest in, we may notify you via private message on the CloudResearch platform in the coming days.

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GeneralTrust And now a general question about trust. On a scale from zero to ten, where zero is not at all and ten is completely, in general **how much do you trust most people**?

▼ 1 - Not all all (1) ... 10 - Completely (10)

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PersonalTrust On a scale from zero to ten, where zero is not at all and ten is completely, in general how much do you trust most people **you know personally**?

▼ 1 - Not all all (1) ... 10 - Completely (10)

InstitutionalTrust The next questions are about whether you have trust in various institutions in America.   
  
 Even if you have had very little or no contact with these institutions, please base your answer on your general impression of these institutions.   
  
 On a scale from zero to ten, **how much do you personally trust each of the following institutions?**   
  
Zero means you do not trust an institution at all, and ten means you have complete trust.

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| The civil service? () |  |
| The media? () |  |
| The banks? () |  |
| Major companies? () |  |

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Random Did you respond randomly at any point during the study?   
  
  
**Note: Please be honest! You will get your payment regardless of your response.**

* Yes (1)
* No (2)

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Comments Do you have any additional comments, questions, or concerns you would like to share?

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