Construct	Survey Items
Frequency of Information Seeking Adapted from Greussing et al. (2025b)	How frequently do you use generative AI to seek the following information? (1 = never to 7 = very frequently) (never, rarely, occasionally, sometimes, often, usually, very frequently) • News (definition) • Health-related information • Science-related information • Political information • Personal advice (e.g., relationship advice)
Trust in AI Adapted from Shin et al. (2020)	Please indicate to what extent you agree or disagree with the following (1 = strongly disagree to 7= strongly agree) • Information from generative AI is trustworthy • I trust generative AI to do what is right • If I use generative AI, I think I would be able to depend on it completely • I can always rely on generative AI • I trust the recommendations by AI • Content recommended by AI is trustworthy • I believe that AI's recommendations are reliable
Emotional Attachment Adapted from Jiménez and Voss (2014)	How do you feel about generative AI? (bipolar scale) • No emotional bond (1) to strong emotional bond (7) • No emotionally connected (1) to strong emotionally connected (7) • Not linked by feelings (1) to linked by feelings (7) • no feelings of attachment (1) to strong feelings of attachment (7)
Risk Perception of GenAI Adapted from Morosoli et al. (2024)	Please indicate to what extent you agree or disagree with the following statements about generative AI. (1 = strongly disagree to 7= strongly agree) • Generative AI can be abused to create mis- and disinformation (manipulated content) • It is unfair that generative AI is trained on content that belongs to others, even if it is publicly available online • Because of the emergent capabilities of generative AI, developers are losing control over it • Generative AI poses a risk to privacy because of the data it's trained on • Generative AI can be used to make people think that they interact with a human • It is dangerous if everyone, including non-experts, has access to generative AI tools
AI Literacy	Please indicate to what extent you agree or disagree with the following statements about AI. (1 = strongly disagree to 7= strongly agree)

| Adapted from Wang et al. (2023) | I can distinguish between smart devices and non-smart devices I do not know how AI technology can help me. I can identify the AI technology employed in the applications and products I use. I can skillfully use AI applications or products to help me with my daily work. It is usually hard for me to learn to use a new AI application or product. I can use AI applications or products to improve my work efficiency. I can evaluate the capabilities and limitations of an AI application or product after using it for a while. I can choose a proper solution from various solutions provided by a smart agent. I can choose the most appropriate AI application or product from a variety for a particular task. I always comply with ethical principles when using AI applications or products. I am never alert to privacy and information security issues when using AI applications or products. (Reversed coded) I am always alert to the abuse of AI technology. |