Interview Script:

Introduction:

Hello, nice to meet you. My name is [xx], and I am a PhD student at [university name]. Our group is conducting this interview to better understand parents' perspectives on their children's use of technology, particularly Generative Artificial Intelligence (GAI) tools, like ChatGPT. Your honest responses will be invaluable to our research. All information provided will remain confidential.

Family background questions (for children)

- 1. How old are you?
- 2. How many people other than you live in your house?
- 3. What devices do you have access to? For example, computer, phone, or tablet?
- 4. Do you personally own these devices or do you share them with other family members? If you share, can you specify with whom?
- 5. Have your parents implemented any parental controls regarding technologies or devices?
 - a. Have they set up any rules or restrictions for your device/technologies usage? Like gaming, social media or any apps/websites you used?
- 6. How often do your parents monitor your use of these devices?
 - a. Can you describe how your parents monitor your device usage?
- 7. How do you feel about these parental controls your parents have implemented?

GAI experience and risk perceptions (for children)

- 1. Have you heard about GAI tools? If so, in your own words, what can they do?
- 2. How did you know about GAI tools at the first time?
- 3. What GAI tools have you used? What do you like to use them for? Where and when do you typically use GAI tools?
- 4. Can you create a drawing or describe how you imagine tools like chatGPT work, especially about where the data comes from?
- 5. How would you describe generative ai tools to someone new to this term?
- 6. Have your parents taught you how to use generative tools previously?

- 7. Have your parents had discussions with you regarding the benefits of generative ai tools?
- 8. Have your parents had discussions with you regarding the safety and risks associated with using GAI tools?
- 9. Based on what you have experienced with generative ai tools and people around you how they are using generative ai tools, are there any potential risks parents should be aware of for their children?

GAI parental controls (for children)

Do your parents or teachers have any rules about how you use GAI tools?

If yes:

- a. What are these rules?
- b. How do you feel about those rules?
- c. Were you involved in discussing or setting them? How?
- d. If there were no rules, how do you think that would affect your use of GAI tools?
- e. What kind of rules or controls do you think would be helpful for kids using GAI tools?

If not:

- a. Do you think it is necessary to set up rules/restrictions for children's usage of GAI tools? Why?
- b. What could go wrong if there are no parental controls for children's usage of GAI tools?
- c. What parental controls do you desire to have for children's usage of GAI tools?