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1 [0:00:00.0]

2 Interviewer: Alright, Christian. So you're probably thinking uh oh, what'd I do? Right? Is that  
3 what's going through your head?

4 Christian: Yeah.

5 Interviewer: OK. Well, I think it's very important that we talk and that we create a [0:00:30.0]  
6 level of honesty, OK?

7 Christian: OK.

8 Interviewer: Right now you're not in any trouble. You're not under arrest, you're not in custody.  
9 You're absolutely free to leave. You're not, you don't have to answer any of my questions. You  
10 understand all that..

11 Christian: Right.

12 Interviewer: But as a student here at the university, OK, it's really important for you to clear this  
13 up.

14 Christian: OK.

15 Interviewer: Alright? So do you have any idea, and think about it, I think you do, do you have  
16 any idea why the police would be talking to you?

17 Christian: Yes.

18 Interviewer: OK. What's going on?

19 Christian: Let's see. [0:01:00.2] Probably something with Reddit?

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1 Interviewer: Yes.

2 Christian: A post I made a few weeks back that had me suspended from site. And then I got a  
3 message from Reddit maybe two weeks ago telling me that they were, they had received a  
4 question from law enforcement for my account information. I didn't think anything of it, but if I  
5 need to clear the air I'll just clear the air right here.

6 Interviewer: Sure.

7 Christian: I have nothing to hide.

8 Interviewer: Yeah, and I appreciate that. I mean, again, [0:01:30.5] I'm going to be completely  
9 honest with you. I'm not going to try to trick you or anything like that, OK?

10 Christian: OK.

11 Interviewer: You haven't done anything, you know, where, you've done things that have been  
12 very concerning, OK? But at the same time, we want to make sure that we figure out what's  
13 going on with you and why you would make comments like that. And again, the law  
14 enforcement notification or whatever you got from Reddit, OK, that was me. That was a search  
15 warrant that I wrote, OK? And you understand the culture and you understand what's going on in  
16 the world today. [0:02:00.3] Right?

17 Christian: Yes.

18 Interviewer: So you have to help me understand why you would make, do you remember the  
19 comments that you made?

20 Christian: Yes.

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1 Interviewer: OK. What were the comments?

2 Christian: It was probably, I mean, I probably wouldn't want to comment on left on Reddit slash  
3 R slash News saying that, quote Cruz was a hero, or is a hero. Referring to Nicolas Cruz, the  
4 shooter at Parkland.

5 Interviewer: And you made that comment, correct?

6 Christian: Yes.

7 Interviewer: OK. And your handle on Reddit is what? [0:02:30.3]

8 Christian: The Real UCF Chris.

9 Interviewer: OK. Why would you make a comment like that?

10 Christian: Well, part of it was I had subscribed to this Reddit, there's a subreddit called  
11 /braincels. An offshoot of the banned /incels Reddit, alright? And I don't think they'll go into it  
12 too much more, but during that time, I'd just been reading through several, you know, people call  
13 them misogynistic sentiments [0:03:00.3] by most of the users on that subreddit. And I was in a  
14 pretty angry place, you know? And, but that wasn't the primary reason. I was very angry but that  
15 wasn't the primary reason I wrote the comment. It was because I was, you know, I was  
16 practically trolling. I wanted to see how fast Reddit would act or if they would act at all against a  
17 comment like that.

18 Interviewer: OK. So again, the [0:03:30.0] reason why you wrote that is why? That was a very  
19 long answer and it's kind of confusing.

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1 Christian: Yeah. I wanted to test how fast Reddit would, if they would act at all against a user  
2 making those sort of comments right after a tragedy.

3 Interviewer: OK. And that's what you're saying, the reason why you made that.

4 Christian: Yes.

5 Interviewer: OK. You also made a comment during that explanation that you were very angry at  
6 the time. What were you angry about?

7 Christian: I guess just, you know, reading through the subreddit, [0:04:00.0] you know, you get  
8 kind of indoctrinated, indoctrinated me with, you know, with hate I guess. It was just a  
9 momentary thing, really. And I don't quite remember what I read to make me angry, but I just  
10 did it out of emotion and that was it.

11 Interviewer: OK. What do you think of Nicolas Cruz?

12 Christian: I don't know that much about him, but I think it just seemed he was a kid who was  
13 way too much [0:04:30.1] into guns and then maybe he was bullied or something at school. I  
14 don't know all the details about it. And he just, he snapped and he acted. And so, it was a  
15 senseless tragedy.

16 Interviewer: OK. I agree. I think you hit the nail on the head. I think he was a little misguided,  
17 maybe misunderstood, probably bullied, right? There's sources out there that said he was bullied  
18 a lot. And that's all unfair and it should have been stopped years and years [0:05:00.4] ago  
19 probably in elementary, middle school, even high school. And he hit his wall. He's like that's it,  
20 no more, right? And he made a decision and he acted. Now there's seventeen lives lost, families  
21 destroyed, legacies completely wiped out. His life is now destroyed, right? He certainly will not

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1 die a martyr. He is going to be someone that people will soon forget about. But at the same time,  
2 [0:05:30.2] in those few minutes of that one decision that he made, he destroyed lives. He made  
3 no, there was no positive outcome for what he did. And I guarantee if he was in the room right  
4 now, he would say the same thing, reflecting back on what he did and that moment of anger,  
5 right? But do you see a little bit of yourself in Nicholas Cruz with your upbringing and kind of  
6 going through life with school and stuff?

7 Christian: Not too much on the guns part, I barely know how to use one at all. Maybe [0:06:00.2]  
8 on the bullying part sort of. Maybe not to the same extent that he went through.

9 Interviewer: So like when did the bullying start?

10 Christian: It was middle school.

11 Interviewer: Kids are nasty, man. Especially with social media nowadays. It makes it easier for  
12 them. What was your experience, I guess, you're how old now?

13 Christian: I'm 21.

14 Interviewer: OK. So we're talking you were what, fifteen-ish?

15 Christian: Yeah. Well, a little younger than that. Maybe around 13 when you go to middle  
16 school.

17 Interviewer: OK. And what was the cause of the kids teasing? [0:06:30.4] I mean, was it like  
18 sports guys messing with you?

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1 Christian: It was basically because I was a quiet kid. I never really said much, so people thought  
2 I was weird and started cracking jokes about me all the time. I was the focus of a few pranks, as  
3 well.

4 Interviewer: That shit's hurtful.

5 Christian: Yeah.

6 Interviewer: Right? No one likes to be the butt of a joke or no one likes to feel uncomfortable in  
7 a room, and just talking to you now, I mean, you're very articulate, very intelligent. [0:07:00.4]  
8 You seem like a very nice guy. OK? And I think kids at that age, they don't give people the  
9 option or the opportunity to get to know them, right? They find something and they just start  
10 picking over and over and over, and that makes you angry, right? So you said you barely know  
11 how to use a gun. Do you own a gun? Do you own a firearm?

12 Christian: No.

13 Interviewer: OK. Does your dad own a firearm?

14 Christian: Yes.

15 Interviewer: OK. What kind of firearm does he have?

16 Christian: I don't know the exact model. It's a handgun. I know [0:07:30.2] he took me to the  
17 shooting range once and that's the only time I've ever even laid hands on it.

18 Interviewer: OK. Do you live with your dad?

19 Christian: Yes.

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1 Interviewer: OK. And do you have any, is it like a revolver, a semi-auto, I mean does it twist like  
2 this, like a cylinder?

3 Christian: Yeah, it does.

4 Interviewer: So it's a revolver?

5 Christian: Mm hm.

6 Interviewer: OK. And that's the only gun that you've ever shot?

7 Christian: Yes.

8 Interviewer: And it was one time? When did he take you to the range?

9 Christian: My 19<sup>th</sup> birthday, September 2015.

10 Interviewer: OK. And then [0:08:00.0] is that something that you wanted to do?

11 Christian: I was indifferent to it. I said whatever, I'll go along.

12 Interviewer: So it was his idea.

13 Christian: His idea.

14 Interviewer: OK. Well, that's a good skill to learn. I mean, you know, you're right, you have  
15 people that are gun people and you have people that are not gun people. I'm a gun guy. I think  
16 guns are fantastic and I think they're wonderful for self-defense. I think it's a great stress  
17 reliever. You know? And it's OK, right? There's nothing wrong with that. So I'm a big gun guy.  
18 So you're not, you don't consider [0:08:30.2] yourself a big gun guy?

19 Christian: Maybe not right now, but maybe someday I'll look into it or something.

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1 Interviewer: Yeah. It's not a bad hobby, and they're actually not bad investments, right?

2 Christian: Mm hm.

3 Interviewer: You can usually get back kind of what you put into it. You're not going to really  
4 make money but you're not going to really lose money either. So, OK. So were there any other  
5 comments that you made on Reddit?

6 Christian: About the shooter?

7 Interviewer: Anything else that you think would spark law enforcement's attention or provide  
8 some concern?

9 Christian: Not really. The rest of it is pretty much [0:09:00.2] making jokes about it.

10 Interviewer: That's the only thing you can think of?

11 Christian: Yeah. I mean that I can remember. I haven't left too many comments on Reddit. I  
12 mean, I started using only, I created the account last summer. I barely used it up until the  
13 beginning of this year.

14 Interviewer: OK. How's your experience here at UCF been?

15 Christian: It's been pretty OK, I guess. You know, I don't have anything to be angry about with  
16 the university or any of the students. [0:09:30.2]

17 Interviewer: So no one's been messing with you here on campus?

18 Christian: No, not really. I might say that I've actually made a few friends here.

19 Interviewer: OK, good. From classes?



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1 Christian: From labs.

2 Interviewer: So people that you partner up with and do group work with and stuff?

3 Christian: Yeah.

4 Interviewer: Would you consider yourself like an introvert?

5 Christian: Yes.

6 Interviewer: OK. I'm very much so an introvert as well. It may not seem like it because I'm like  
7 sitting here talking to you no problem, but it really [0:10:00.1] has to take me out of my comfort  
8 zone to do it, right? It's just my personality. It's my job, right? But when I'm home, if I go to a  
9 party, if I'm at a family gathering even with people I know and love, I'm pretty quiet. I kind of  
10 stick to myself until I really get to know someone. So group work in small settings is a much  
11 easier place for me to meet someone and become friends with someone, right? Same thing with  
12 you?

13 Christian: Yeah. Mostly if it's one on one, though. You know.

14 Interviewer: Yeah, it's definitely easier. [0:10:30.2] Are you in any relationships right now? I  
15 mean, do you have a significant other of any kind?

16 Christian: No.

17 Interviewer: OK. And how's your relationship with your family?

18 Christian: It's great. They're great people. I love them.

19 Interviewer: And you have, are your parents still married?

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- 1 Christian: Yes.
- 2 Interviewer: How long they've been married?
- 3 Christian: Twenty-one years.
- 4 Interviewer: That's awesome. And they have a good, solid marriage?
- 5 Christian: Yeah.
- 6 Interviewer: That's good. And then how old's your brother?
- 7 Christian: I have two brothers. One is [0:11:00.1] twenty and the other one's eleven.
- 8 Interviewer: OK. So you're the oldest?
- 9 Christian: Yes.
- 10 Interviewer: You have any sisters?
- 11 Christian: No.
- 12 Interviewer: OK. So your parents have three boys. That's a lot. A lot of testosterone in that
- 13 house. And you have an eleven-year-old, so that's a big age gap there.
- 14 Christian: Yeah.
- 15 Interviewer: So you probably had to help raise him, huh?
- 16 Christian: Yeah, a little.
- 17 Interviewer: You do a lot of babysitting and stuff like that?
- 18 Christian: A lot of chores.

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1 Interviewer: So you would say that your brothers probably look up to you?

2 Christian: Yeah. Sort of, I guess. [0:11:30.4] Yeah, you could say that.

3 Interviewer: I mean, you're older. They probably come and talk to you and get your advice and  
4 stuff on stuff, right? Especially, I'm sure especially the 11-year-old. Now the 19-year-old maybe,  
5 who knows, right?

6 Christian: Yeah.

7 Interviewer: You're pretty close in age. OK. So there's no other comments that you made that  
8 you can think of on Reddit? And again, we're, there's nothing to hide. I know everything, right?  
9 There's nothing to be embarrassed about because there's nothing to be embarrassed about. It's  
10 just basically comments that you made.

11 Christian: Mm. [0:12:00.7] Thinking back, I think there may be one, one of the first comments I  
12 ever made.

13 Interviewer: OK. What was that?

14 Christian: I want to, something about taking people down, I don't remember what I said. That  
15 was it. It was the same thing. I was just testing to see if there would be a response from Reddit,  
16 how fast they would crack down on posts that I guess they'd say what, incite violence or  
17 something like that? [0:12:30.0]

18 Interviewer: So again, testing, testing Reddit, right?

19 Christian: Mm hm.

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1 Interviewer: So is this the comment that you made on the topic there was, you guys are too weak  
2 to be a school shooter?

3 Christian: Yeah. Well.

4 Interviewer: And The Real UCF Chris, you wrote, well, maybe for now I am but not forever.  
5 OK?

6 Christian: I guess maybe I may, I may have written that, but [0:13:00.7] yeah, I don't condone  
7 those comments.

8 Interviewer: You wrote those comments.

9 Christian: Yeah. I don't condone my own comments. I don't, you know, again, I was at a place  
10 of anger and I'm not, that's not who I am as a person. And I would never, ever, act out in  
11 violence against anybody in a mass shooting or anything of the sort. [0:13:30.1]

12 Interviewer: How do I know that?

13 Christian: Because I mean, I'm not a violent person. I would just, I was in a bad place at that  
14 time and I regret making those comments 100 percent.

15 Interviewer: Explain the bad place that you were in and why you were in it. Because that'll help  
16 me understand where these comments came from. Because right now...

17 Christian: OK, so to say I'm an introvert is an understatement. I don't, I don't have any friends  
18 besides [0:14:00.2] basically the people that is my lab partner right now. I guess when I sift  
19 through Reddit I look at people who, I read comments about people reflecting on their story, on  
20 their loneliness. It makes me angry, I guess. It made me angry there, so when I left, when I go to

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1 another subreddit maybe, maybe I see some people, like I don't know [0:14:30.0] what I was  
2 thinking when I made those comments.

3 Interviewer: You know what you were thinking when you made that comment. That comment's  
4 very clear. Let me read it so you can hear it coming from someone else.

5 Christian: Yeah.

6 Interviewer: You guys are too weak to be a school shooter. Right? And there's a bunch of  
7 comments. Your comment that you felt the need to post, the thoughts that are going through your  
8 mind that went to your fingertips to type on those keys, then you hit send, the comment that you  
9 wrote is, well maybe for now I am but not [0:15:00.3] forever. OK? That's, the thought that was  
10 in your head after reading "You guys are too weak to be a school shooter" topic and the  
11 comments that are below. OK? I want to know why that thought was in your head, and don't say  
12 it was to see if Reddit would shut it down, because I don't think that is truly accurate, OK? I  
13 need you to be transparent with me and be honest, because I can tell you right now, whatever you  
14 got going on with you, I can [0:15:30.3] help you and I can find some stuff that can help you.  
15 OK? Some services, some clubs you can get involved with, whatever it is. We're a university,  
16 I'm a university cop, OK? I care about you and I care about the university as a whole and all its  
17 student body. We're here to help you guys out. We're here in any way that we can give you guys  
18 services, and the university offers so much stuff, to meet people, to do things, to get  
19 employment. But again, I need you to be honest with me, because right now [0:16:00.2] with the  
20 whole saying you're writing this type of stuff for Reddit is not quite true, right? So why did you  
21 write that? Were you having thoughts at that particular time of doing something like that?

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1 Christian: I can't say if I was ever going to be committed to doing it, but I guess it passed  
2 through my head. And you know, what was going through my head at the time was that I saw the  
3 headlines of the shooting. I thought to myself at first, you know, [0:16:30.0] it was just another  
4 school shooting and I thought probably that, I mean, I'm not hiding anything. It's just that I, I  
5 don't, I made several comments. Sometimes I don't think before I type, you know. It's just out of  
6 emotion.

7 Interviewer: I'm talking about this particular, this one right here. OK? The Cruz one is what it is.  
8 [0:17:00.1] But you add the Cruz comment to this comment, right? So this, this topic was before  
9 the Nicolas Cruz shooting.

10 Christian: It was?

11 Interviewer: You understand that, right?

12 Christian: I don't remember when I wrote it.

13 Interviewer: So this topic was added before that shooting down south.

14 Christian: Yeah.

15 Interviewer: Because you made the comment about Cruz like a day after or something like that,  
16 OK? This was before that. So we're not tying into the shooting that just occurred. We're talking  
17 about at that time there was really no [0:17:30.3] shootings at that particular juncture, OK?

18 Christian: Yeah.

19 Interviewer: So this topic comes up, you feel compelled to read it. You get, you're reading all the  
20 comments. Again, you get angry or whatever, and then you have thoughts, your own personal

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1 thoughts, that you put down, OK? And you said, so at that particular time, at that instant, you  
2 were kind of thinking like man, I could really, it would make me feel better if I went and did  
3 something like that. [0:18:00.1] And it's OK if you did, it's just thoughts, right? It's OK.

4 Nothing wrong with that, right? You didn't do it, right?

5 Christian: Of course.

6 Interviewer: Would you even have the means to do it?

7 Christian: No.

8 Interviewer: Right? Are we just talking about one handgun at the house, right?

9 Christian: Yeah, yeah.

10 Interviewer: OK. So you haven't purchased any firearms, you haven't purchased any  
11 ammunition. You don't have any explosives at home or anything crazy like that right?

12 Christian: No, not at all.

13 Interviewer: OK. You don't make any type of, you know, homemade explosives [0:18:30.9] or  
14 anything like that?

15 Christian: No.

16 Interviewer: OK. So when you thought about this, again, it compelled you to write it. You're not  
17 for now, but maybe not forever.

18 Christian: Yeah.

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1 Interviewer: It just means you weren't at the point yet in your life, it hasn't pushed you over that  
2 edge yet. Is that correct?

3 Christian: Yeah, that's just about correct.

4 Interviewer: OK. Why do you think the thoughts, why do you think the thoughts were in your  
5 mind [0:19:00.3] that you were thinking about doing a mass shooting or being a school shooter?

6 Christian: I thought about the rush that must go through the shooter's head as they're, you know,  
7 rampaging through the school, knowing that they, no matter what happens then, they will be  
8 remembered. People will know their name for at least maybe two to three weeks of media  
9 coverage. And I thought to myself, you know, [0:19:30.3] I'm too much of a coward to ever do  
10 anything like that. But I wanted to make myself look like a badass on Reddit, so I said, that's  
11 why I typed the not forever.

12 Interviewer: I think you typed that because, just what you're telling me. You didn't do that to  
13 look like a badass. You did that because you were having actual thoughts of maybe not now but  
14 maybe in the future I could see myself doing that if things don't change. I mean, is that, is that  
15 pretty accurate?

16 Christian: Yeah.

17 Interviewer: You didn't do it. [0:20:00.1] You're not a school shooter, OK? But what I don't  
18 want to see is you to become a school shooter and get to that point where someone pushes you  
19 over the edge, or something pushes you over the edge. It's preventable. Because you're, what's  
20 the worst thing in your life right now? Right now.

21 Christian: Probably some health issues.



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1 Interviewer: OK.

2 Christian: Yeah.

3 Interviewer: Do you mind, I mean you don't have to, but?

4 Christian: I guess I have [0:20:30.2] something called restless leg syndrome. I have muscle  
5 twitches in my legs that keep me awake, maybe an hour or more after I first attempt to go to  
6 sleep. And as you can see by the picture you have back there on the page, I did suffer hair loss a  
7 few years ago. I've come to accept it but it's annoying that whenever I let it grow out for maybe  
8 three or four days it still looks like I'm balding. [0:21:00.2

9 Interviewer: Look at me, man. I'm going, brother. I'm going to be right there with you in a few  
10 years, I guarantee it. And dude, your head looks fine, right?

11 Christian: I've come to accept it.

12 Interviewer: Yeah. Your hair looks good. I think it looks better than like, again, I'm still a little  
13 bit thick, right? But it's receding and I know that, and I'm going to have to accept that as well.  
14 One of these days too, right? It'll happen. So the leg thing, are you getting any type of treatment  
15 or medical [0:21:30.2] assistance on that?

16 Christian: Yeah, I did go to a clinic last month. They gave me some calcium supplements they  
17 say will help with it.

18 Interviewer: Do they help at all?

19 Christian: Yeah, they do sometimes, yeah.

20 Interviewer: OK. How many hours a night do you think you sleep?

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1 Christian: Five or six.

2 Interviewer: And is it sporadic or is it solid five or six?

3 Christian: Mostly solid. Sometimes it is sporadic.

4 Interviewer: OK. Do you play video games or anything?

5 Christian: Yeah, a little bit. [0:22:00.2]

6 Interviewer: What's your favorite game?

7 Christian: WWE 2K18.

8 Interviewer: OK. You're talking about, we got an officer here who is just absolutely obsessed  
9 with wrestling.

10 Christian: Really?

11 Interviewer: Yeah, he's a big time, anyway. What do you think about Rhonda Rousey joining?

12 Christian: You know, I really, she's a, I don't know how good of a wrestler she's going to make,  
13 you know, how good she's going to be in the ring. But it is good to, for [0:22:30.2] the WWE to  
14 get more eyes on their product with, to have such a star on their hands. She's going to be in a  
15 match at Wrestlemania.

16 Interviewer: Yeah. She's going to be huge, I mean, because she's super strong athletic and so

17 she's a world champion like actual MMA. So that increases her legitimacy. So I think it's great.

18 I'm not a huge wrestling fan. I do watch it and I grew up with it, right? Drink Snake and Warrior

19 and all that stuff. But I kind of, I kind of moved away from it a little bit. But with Rhonda

20 coming in, again, you're [0:23:00.5] pulling old fans back into it, with new life. Like when the

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1 Rock was in it, I started watching again. So I think it's good for McMann to constantly bring  
2 people in. It's going to pull individuals like myself back to watch it. Any other games that you  
3 play?

4 Christian: That's, I usually play just that one, but sometimes I play Call of Duty. Black Ops III is  
5 my favorite game.

6 Interviewer: Yeah, it's, I don't think there's a better game on the market. Like I don't think  
7 there's a better game that's going to be created. [0:23:30.2] I love it. I'll be honest with you. I  
8 had a PS4 and I was basically forced to sell it because I was spending too much time playing. I  
9 would literally get off work, I would play, and I would get like two hours of sleep and then have  
10 to go to work again. I'd be drained. I started getting in really late and stuff like that. I was having  
11 some social issues with the individual that I lived with. And it was kind of one of those things  
12 like get rid of your games or I'm leaving, right? [0:24:00.1] So I had to make that tough choice,  
13 and I miss it, I miss playing. And Call of Duty was the best because I could get online with my  
14 online friends and play, and it was a great time. So that game itself, right, is something that you  
15 can virtually imagine yourself going through and right, shooting people, killing people.

16 Christian: Mm hm.

17 Interviewer: Which is kind of where your mindset was at least for that moment when you wrote  
18 this comment, correct?

19 Christian: Mm hm.

20 Interviewer: Do you think that plays into [0:24:30.7] your thoughts at all with maybe the comfort  
21 or at least the feeling of being able to do something like that?

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1 Christian: Yeah. I remember playing, especially Black Ops I, it wasn't until a few years after it  
2 came out, but I got pretty good at it. I started [garbled] a few times. I loved to play, I played for  
3 hours and hours.

4 Interviewer: You weren't that guy that was running around that would just cut everyone's throat,  
5 right?

6 Christian: Oh no.

7 Interviewer: I hate those guys.

8 Christian: I think I remember the name of that guy. Some Mexican guy.

9 Interviewer: I mean, every time I was on [0:25:00.7] that guy would just stand there and be like  
10 sniping someone, and someone would come right up and grab me. But yeah, OK, I think there's  
11 always at least one of those players per game that don't even fire a gun. They just run around and  
12 try to stab everyone.

13 Christian: They monitor the game so they're invincible, so they'd be just running around and you  
14 can shoot them but they won't die, they'll just come up and knife you right there.

15 Interviewer: Yeah. So I mean, you think at least for yourself, because it's so easy to get ingrained  
16 in the video games, right, in the audio and you're talking to people [0:25:30.5] and you're  
17 shooting people, and it's fun. So it's a great time. I miss it. So anyway, OK. So is there any other  
18 comments that you wrote that you think we should talk about?

19 Christian: I'm not sure. If you guys have any other on file, I'll explain it if you want.

20 Interviewer: OK. So who's Stephen Paddock?

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1 Christian: Shooter from Las Vegas.

2 Interviewer: OK. And what is your thoughts [0:26:00.2] on Stephen Paddock?

3 Christian: I don't know much about Stephen Paddock besides what he did. But you know, I just  
4 think the same thing with Nicholas Cruz. He got pushed over the edge by something, and that he  
5 acted on it. And as a result it was what, 53 people died? And again, they didn't need to die. They  
6 were just at a country music festival having fun, trying to live their lives, enjoy as much as they  
7 can and then this guys comes and [0:26:30.4] guns them down.

8 Interviewer: OK. Why would you write RIP, which is rest in peace, my hero?

9 Christian: Because, yeah, I like to, it's because, that was maybe a longer period than just a day  
10 where I was very angry. I was probably going around Reddit somewhere just trying [0:27:00.4]  
11 to just, very angry, just trying to, trying to picture myself doing what they did. It's the adrenaline  
12 rush basically that I get when I picture well, what those two or anybody else who did a mass  
13 shooting was going through. I guess for maybe that moment I idolized Stephen Paddock.

14 Interviewer: That feeling.

15 Christian: Yeah.

16 Interviewer: That adrenaline rush that I guarantee, yeah, 100 percent I think you're right on the  
17 money on that. [0:27:30.4] Have you ever felt, I mean you can almost feel like, when you  
18 watched the news, right, because there was like coverage on it, especially as soon as it happened,  
19 for days. Were you watching the news and watching everything that was going on, and the  
20 investigation, how it kind of unfolded with, I mean, how many rounds he fired and he had the  
21 bump stock. You know what a bump stock is?

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1 Christian: Yeah.

2 Interviewer: So I mean you watched all the news coverage and stuff like that?

3 Christian: Yeah. I mostly checked on online CNN. That's [0:28:00.1] the news source I follow  
4 most.

5 Interviewer: OK. I do CNN as well. I do Fox, I get kind of both versions of the world, right?  
6 From one and the other. So when you say you idolized Stephen, again it's that rush, but it's also  
7 the anger release that you feel.

8 Christian: Definitely, yeah.

9 Interviewer: And I don't, I still don't know kind of what his problem was. I knew he had tons of  
10 money, right? He had a wife or a fiancé. I don't know. Do you know? [0:28:30.3] I mean, I don't  
11 know what you've read. What are your thoughts on why he did that?

12 Christian: The motive is still unknown. But I guess it's something about maybe he was in debt  
13 and then he didn't want to, he couldn't pay them off, so he decided to go out with a bang. So  
14 something like that maybe.

15 Interviewer: Yeah. Because I know he was a gambler, right?

16 Christian: Yeah.

17 Interviewer: So again, the one Cruz comment for me, I'm just like eh, you know. Again, stirring  
18 the [0:29:00.4] pot, something like that, trying to get a reaction. Then the comment with Stephen  
19 Paddock here, RIP my hero, so that's two mass shooters that you called your hero.

20 Christian: Yeah.

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1 Interviewer: And not that they're your hero, but that you are idolizing what they did.

2 Christian: Yeah.

3 Interviewer: Is that because they had the balls, they had the courage to actually play out maybe  
4 the feeling that you have and you don't?

5 Christian: Yeah.

6 Interviewer: Do you think you could ever get to that point?

7 Christian: No.

8 Interviewer: No? [0:29:30.4]

9 Christian: No, I'm not, like you say, I wouldn't have the balls to do something like that.

10 Interviewer: OK, you probably wouldn't have the balls? But do you wish you did? I mean, to go  
11 out like that?

12 Christian: I mean, sometimes yeah, but other times I think that there's too much to live for to just  
13 kill yourself after going on a rampage for 15 minutes of fame, and then to eventually be  
14 remembered as a piece of crap.

15 Interviewer: Yeah. By some, right? [0:30:00.0]

16 Christian: Yeah.

17 Interviewer: Or by most, probably.

18 Christian: Yeah, by anybody who

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1 Interviewer: There's individuals maybe like yourself who, when I say they're not going to die a  
2 martyr, I mean maybe to you they're, again, a hero. You use the word "hero" right there. I mean,  
3 is that something that you, and there's other people who feel the same way that you do, that are  
4 like yeah, get 'em. Like fuck these people, right?

5 Christian: Yeah.

6 Interviewer: And that's OK, right? It is what it is. We all are different, we all think different,  
7 we've all had different experiences in life. [0:30:30.4] My view on it's very different, right? I see  
8 the loss of life as just wasteful. And I see that if he's in debt, you know, it's just a money  
9 problem, there's a lot of ways to resolve that. He was still a young guy, smart guy. His family  
10 had tons of means. He had still tons of money in the bank. There's other ways to handle that  
11 stuff, right?

12 Christian: Mm hm.

13 Interviewer: But it certainly doesn't change the fact that [0:31:00.1], you know, you're having  
14 some thoughts about it. And that's OK. What's this, "I will not relent"? Explain that to me,  
15 because you use that on like everything, bro.

16 Christian: It's this guy I was showing, I followed around, I typed that.

17 Interviewer: Or "I will not relent," I'm sorry.

18 Christian: It was two users. I just did that, I just did that to bother them. Yeah.

19 Interviewer: OK. But I mean, you say it on everything, right?

20 Christian: Yeah.



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1 Interviewer: There's all sorts of topics. [0:31:30.1]

2 Christian: I know. I just, I was pretty much just spamming at that point.

3 Interviewer: OK, OK. And then of course this picture I think is what you saw.

4 Christian: Yeah, that, that was a joke. I guarantee you that. That wasn't me losing my mind or  
5 anything. It's just that I use Tindr and I try to post pictures, I use normal pictures of myself, you  
6 know. Maybe I used one of Wrestlemania as my profile picture. I don't get into any matches at  
7 all, so I'm thinking to myself, why not just do a joke and if people don't want to match with me  
8 then [0:32:00.1] at least get them to say, what the hell? Before they swipe, they swipe right to  
9 say no. So that's why I posted that. That was a joke.

10 Interviewer: OK. I [garbled] the comments. What would you post before? The comments were  
11 just like just shaving your head, right? Is that why you posted that picture?

12 Christian: Oh yeah, yeah, yeah, that's right. Because that was the [garbled] bald. The bald  
13 subreddit, yeah.

14 Interviewer: And it was take the plunge, go for the creep look?

15 Christian: Yeah, it was a joke really. Because all of that there is just people, you know  
16 [0:32:30.4] trying to make themselves look great because they shaved their head, so I decided to  
17 just throw a wrench in that. But I didn't get anything out of it, so.

18 Interviewer: Another one, and again, this is more of the ones where I can see where you're just  
19 kind of fucking with people, is the topic was Washington man rapes teen as she dies from  
20 overdose, deputies [0:32:59.8] say. You know, the comment that you wrote is I'm happy with

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1 that. I'd pay him to do it to some other girl. Is that, that's just to mess with people? Just to stir the  
2 pot?

3 Christian: Yeah, especially when I post it on the news site, because on other subjects I probably  
4 won't get a reaction. But on that one definitely, it's really popular. So.

5 Interviewer: OK. And we'll just run through it one more time, and I don't think it's going to take  
6 much [0:33:30.4] more time here. So the first comment, OK, that you wrote, was the Stephen  
7 Paddock comment.

8 Christian: Yeah.

9 Interviewer: Which was just a day or two before the topic came up about you guys are too weak  
10 to be a school shooter.

11 Christian: Yeah.

12 Interviewer: OK. And they posted the Stephen Paddock autopsy report, and your comment on  
13 that was RIP my hero. And the reason why you did rest in peace my hero for Stephen Paddock  
14 was that [0:34:00.1] you idolized Stephen Paddock.

15 Christian: Yeah.

16 Interviewer: Is that correct? And that at the time of at least the shooting, and then this was  
17 several months actually after when his autopsy report came out, but you kind of idolized or  
18 wished you felt the feeling that he felt as that adrenaline just, the excitement, just the mayhem,  
19 right? You have to just literally just be almost like tunnel vision, like zoned out from everything  
20 else, to go there and just [0:34:30.5] tatatat and just firing down on people, just raining it,  
21 right?

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1 Christian: Mm hm.

2 Interviewer: But during that whole time, you were looking at him as your hero, still to this day,  
3 correct?

4 Christian: I guess, yeah. I mean I wouldn't say to this day he's my hero. But at that point,  
5 definitely.

6 Interviewer: OK. And then I think it was like a day or two later, someone, do you know, you  
7 don't know any of these people on here, right? That would do the topics and stuff?

8 Christian: The, oh. [0:35:00.2] The Reddit users?

9 Interviewer: Do you know who Mock the Cross is?

10 Christian: No.

11 Interviewer: OK. So the random dude on the face tubes or the intronet, right? He started the  
12 topic. And what do you call it when someone posts something like that?

13 Christian: What?

14 Interviewer: When they put like a topic up? What do you call that?

15 Christian: Uh, it's just a post.

16 Interviewer: OK. So they post, you guys are too weak to be a school shooter. And what ran  
17 through your mind? You were angry at the time, was well, maybe now I am but not forever.

18 Christian: Yeah.

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1 Interviewer: And that comment is clear [0:35:30.6] as I think anyone can be, is I'm not a school  
2 shooter currently, but if shit doesn't get better I certainly very well want to be.

3 Christian: Right.

4 Interviewer: Right? Is there anything, I mean, am I missing the mark on that at all? Is there  
5 anything that you think I should correct on that?

6 Christian: No, I think you pretty much hit the nail on the head.

7 Interviewer: OK. Do you wish you had the courage to, you know, come to UCF and, you know?

8 Christian: No, I mean [0:36:00.4]

9 Interviewer: Take care of some people who've been fucking with you, or go back to your high  
10 school?

11 Christian: Not UCF, no, but if I were to do it it'd be at probably my middle school or the high  
12 school.

13 Interviewer: Because of the kids that bullied you?

14 Christian: Yeah.

15 Interviewer: What about teachers? Did any of the teachers help you at all?

16 Christian: Not really. They pretty much ignored me.

17 Interviewer: OK. Did you ever go to them with issues like hey, these kids are messing with me?

18 Christian: I did not, no. [0:36:30.1]

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1 Interviewer: OK. And say you were to go back to middle school or your high school, which is  
2 down south I'm assuming? Or is it here in Orlando?

3 Christian: [garbled] here.

4 Interviewer: Which, which school, middle school did you go to?

5 Christian: It was Odyssey Middle School.

6 Interviewer: I know it. Where's that at?

7 Christian: It's by Lee Vista. It's all the way down, it's closer to Lake Nona.

8 Interviewer: Oh, OK. Yeah.

9 Christian: So I drive on the 417 North to get here. It's about a half hour drive.

10 Interviewer: OK. [0:37:00.0] So you live down over by the Odyssey area.

11 Christian: Yeah.

12 Interviewer: Like Lake Nona [crosstalk]

13 Christian: Yeah, not here in the UCF area.

14 Interviewer: OK. So it takes you a little while. I'm actually thinking about maybe moving down  
15 to the Lake Nona area. How is that?

16 Christian: I think it's great, actually. Especially when I first got there, there was pretty much  
17 nothing there besides the high school. But there's been so much construction over the past few  
18 years, so much more things to do, more places to eat.

19 Interviewer: Yeah. What are the good restaurants over there?

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- 1 Christian: Rubio's Coastal Grill.
- 2 Interviewer: Never heard of it. Rubio's.
- 3 Christian: Easta [0:37:30.5] de Latino. Yeah, they have a Chile's there. They have an Outback.
- 4 My favorite place is always just go get a Pub Sub for lunch.
- 5 Interviewer: Yeah. Rubio's Castillo. Is that what you called that?
- 6 Christian: Coastal Grill.
- 7 Interviewer: Costa Grill.
- 8 Christian: Coastal Grill.
- 9 Interviewer: Coastal, al. So what kind of food do they have?
- 10 Christian: They have seafood.
- 11 Interviewer: OK, coastal, got you. OK. Well, anyway, so Odyssey and then what high school did
- 12 you go to?
- 13 Christian: Lake Nona.
- 14 Interviewer: Oh, OK. So right there. [0:38:00.1] Alright. And then when you think about stuff
- 15 like that, what are the means that you would carry something out if you were to do it?
- 16 Christian: Probably automatic rifle I guess. I never really thought about it too much, what I
- 17 would do. But that's just the first thing that pops into my head.
- 18 Interviewer: Yeah, so shooting, not stabbing or anything like that.
- 19 Christian: No.

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1 Interviewer: OK. So you have a job or anything right now? [0:38:30.2]

2 Christian: Yes.

3 Interviewer: Where do you work?

4 Christian: Epic Theaters.

5 Interviewer: Dude, those are right around Simera.

6 Christian: Uh, yeah, it is.

7 Interviewer: It's by the airport.

8 Christian: Yeah.

9 Interviewer: Yeah, that's where I go, man. I live over there off of Dixie Bell, like Carry Fordish  
10 area? Kind of by the Sedanos. But yeah, you know the best thing about Epic Theater? You hit  
11 that button? You know, the bad thing, I fall asleep in every damn movie now though. Every  
12 movie I go to, you know, I got people hitting me, like wake up! I'm like what, it's so  
13 comfortable in here. [0:39:00.6] But I swear to God, my mind, the first time I went there, we  
14 went and watched Beauty and the Beast, which I thought was a terrible movie. But anyway, I had  
15 to go, right? And I'm like, I don't want to go to this movie, and they kept telling me oh, it's so  
16 comfortable. Anyway, I sat in the chair, and I'm like wow, this really is comfortable. And then I  
17 see this button, I had no idea it did that. And I'm like OK, I can watch this movie. Like any  
18 movie, I love it. So do you get to watch all the movies and stuff like that for free?

19 Christian: Yeah, I do, I get [0:39:30.0] two free tickets a week.

20 Interviewer: Oh, great. So every movie that comes out you pretty much watch.

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1 Christian: Yeah, most of them, unless I don't care about them.

2 Interviewer: Have you seen Black Panther yet?

3 Christian: Oh yeah.

4 Interviewer: How is it?

5 Christian: Oh, it's fantastic.

6 Interviewer: Don't give it away, I haven't seen it yet. I haven't seen it. I want to. OK. So you  
7 work at the movie theater. How much money do you make an hour?

8 Christian: \$8.10.

9 Interviewer: You add in \$8.10 plus, do they give you like food and snacks or anything? Or you  
10 have to pay for those?

11 Christian: I have to pay for those.

12 Interviewer: Popcorn too?

13 Christian: Yeah. [0:40:00.3]

14 Interviewer: OK.

15 Christian: Only thing I get free is the tickets.

16 Interviewer: So you get the two free tickets.

17 Christian: Yeah.

18 Interviewer: OK. Well, that definitely increases your wage, right? Because that's pretty, what's a  
19 ticket cost, like twelve bucks nowadays at nighttime?



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1 Christian: Yeah, \$12.50.

2 Interviewer: OK. And how much money do you have in like your bank, savings account?

3 Because you live with your parents, you don't have to pay for rent.

4 Christian: Yeah. If you look at a round number, it's maybe \$15,000.

5 Interviewer: So you're doing good.

6 Christian: But it's not all my money. Part of it's my dad's. [0:40:30.6] He has me store the  
7 money he gets from our rent tenants in like, as sort of my expendable income that I have, that's  
8 around \$2,000.

9 Interviewer: OK. That's pretty good, especially when you're making \$8.10 an hour. Two  
10 thousand dollars is really good. That means you're doing really good at savings. Your parents  
11 help you out where you probably don't have to spend a whole lot of your money, right?

12 Christian: Yeah.

13 Interviewer: OK. [0:41:00.4] So then we moved past this one, and then we'll go to the very last  
14 one, that's the Cruz one, the one before you were notified that law enforcement's kind of looking  
15 into this account. Again, the shooting in South Florida high school, a fellow by the name of  
16 Nicolas Cruz. Was in a very similar situation as you when it comes to at least being bullied  
17 during junior high and high school. Kind of someone who people didn't get to know, so they  
18 would consider him, you know, [0:41:30.5] kind of a loner.

19 Christian: Yeah.

20 Interviewer: Alright? Would you consider yourself a loner?

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1 Christian: Yeah.

2 Interviewer: Is that by choice?

3 Christian: Maybe not at first during the early years of my life, but by choice at this point, yeah.

4 Loner by choice.

5 Interviewer: OK. You can, again, you can relate to at least Nicolas Cruz. Not Stephen Paddock,  
6 right? Because he lived the high life a long, long time. But at least with Nicolas Cruz you can  
7 kind of see yourself in him, correct?

8 Christian: A little bit. [0:42:00.0] Yeah. I mean, I don't know anything about his story, but from  
9 maybe the bullying aspect, sure.

10 Interviewer: The bullying aspect? Yeah, because I guess like he lost his mom a couple years ago.  
11 He was living with his friend's family. So you guys are different, but you did have that same  
12 commonality of kind of being a loner, being picked on at school, whatever. Anyway, your  
13 comment that you wrote on that topic was "Cruz is a hero." Right?

14 Christian: Yes.

15 Interviewer: Different than Stephen Paddock [0:42:30.3] because you said "RIP my hero," right?  
16 But you said Cruz is a hero. And you originally told me that you wrote that to see if Reddit  
17 would kick you off or suspend your account or whatever, right? But I know that's not why you  
18 wrote that. You wrote that because you were feeling that way, right?

19 Christian: Yeah.

20 Interviewer: That he's a hero for killing these people.

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1 Christian: Yeah.

2 Interviewer: Getting that rage out, right? The build up of anxiety and excitement and planning,  
3 and then he actually had the gall, the balls to go and do it, the courage to go and do it. [0:43:00.3]  
4 Right?

5 Christian: Mm hm.

6 Interviewer: OK. So let me ask you this. If you had the means, say you have an assault rifle at  
7 your house, let's say you had a thousand rounds of ammunition, 223, 305, whatever it is that you  
8 would want to shoot. What would it take for you to go and grab that gun and go to your old  
9 school or go to the high school and get some payback? I mean, what would it take for you  
10 [0:43:30.4] to get to that point?

11 Christian: Maybe something bad happens to me, something terrible. Maybe being attacked on the  
12 street or something or maybe one day I get a girlfriend and the relationship goes bad. I don't  
13 know if I can see that happening, but yeah, just something pretty, I don't think I'm going to be  
14 sent over the edge very easily. But [0:44:00.0] maybe getting fired from a high paying job? Not  
15 the one I have right now, but something in the future.

16 Interviewer: So like a big life, a big life event that's a negative event.

17 Christian: Yeah.

18 Interviewer: Like a divorce, a death of a child if you have a child one day, a breakup with a  
19 girlfriend that you really love. Again, you get in a career, you're going to be doing the biotech  
20 stuff, so say you land this awesome job at one of the research parks over here or something, and  
21 then [0:44:30.2] you know, something happens, they lay you off or something. That could

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1 potentially, right? Because that's your means of life. You're probably going to be making what,  
2 six figures pretty soon.

3 Christian: Yeah, at some point.

4 Interviewer: Is that like the average range for like the degree that you're trying to get?

5 Christian: Yeah. Maybe a little bit less than that, but you know, that's pretty much it, yeah.

6 Interviewer: Now how about at work? How is everything at work at Epic Theater?

7 Christian: It's pretty boring actually. [0:45:00.0] I do have a lot of free time doing what I do. I  
8 only work, I don't know if you've been there recently, they have people, they have the kiosk, the  
9 Touchmen's kiosk, right?

10 Interviewer: Right.

11 Christian: You ever used them?

12 Interviewer: Yes.

13 Christian: You probably know, they're not very user friendly.

14 Interviewer: They're not, and the issue is, the only good thing about it really is the seats, right? If  
15 you get there early. But the bad thing is is like they're not user friendly. It's confusing.

16 Christian: Yeah. So my job is to help people use that. I stand in the front [0:45:30.0] for 15 or so  
17 hours a week and then when people come in I help them get their tickets or buy tickets on the  
18 kiosk for those that don't want to go and wait in line at the box office. And I also maintain the  
19 kiosks. So as far as how things are going, it's the same as usual. I just go and in and do my thing  
20 and then leave, you know.

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1 Interviewer: Yeah, OK. Well, that seems like a pretty fun job. You get to meet people. You get  
2 to help people who are probably like stupid, freaking [0:46:00.5] computer!

3 Christian: Yeah, that's how it is.

4 Interviewer: Well, they're turning everyone into a robot. At least people, there's still a human  
5 being like ripping your ticket when you go in, right?

6 Christian: Yeah.

7 Interviewer: So that's a good thing. They haven't replaced all of our jobs yet. Do you have a lot  
8 of friends or whatever at work?

9 Christian: No, not really.

10 Interviewer: No? Any friends? I mean any?

11 Christian: Yeah, definitely. There's a guy that works at the box office that sometimes I talk to  
12 when I work there.

13 Interviewer: OK. Everyone treating you pretty good though?

14 Christian: Yeah.

15 Interviewer: I mean, they don't fuck with you [0:46:30.2] or pick on you, mess with you or  
16 anything like that?

17 Christian: No. Definitely not there, no.

18 Interviewer: That's good. And obviously if say someone gets hired and they start doing that, I  
19 mean, the easiest way to end something like that is just

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- 1 Christian: Talk to the manager.
- 2 Interviewer: Talk to the manager. You say hey, man, I've been here, how long you been working  
3 there? A couple years now?
- 4 Christian: About seven months, actually.
- 5 Interviewer: OK. Did you have any jobs prior to that?
- 6 Christian: Yeah.
- 7 Interviewer: Where did you work?
- 8 Christian: Pizza Hut.
- 9 Interviewer: Delivering or making?
- 10 Christian: Delivery.
- 11 Interviewer: You probably have some fun stories about Pizza Hut then.
- 12 Christian: Oh yeah. [0:47:00.2]
- 13 Interviewer: Have you ever knocked on a door and like some crazy person answered the door?
- 14 Christian: Yeah.
- 15 Interviewer: Has anyone ever tried to take a pizza without paying it?
- 16 Christian: No. Not really. I'm glad that never happened to me.
- 17 Interviewer: What's the story for delivering pizza? Because I just imagine you come into contact  
18 with so many people in their house. What's the craziest thing that you've seen?

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1 Christian: It was probably one of my last deliveries there, a pizza. I have to go to this trailer park,  
2 and there's this lady, looks like she's drugged out of her mind. She comes out, [0:47:30.3] she  
3 has cats all around her. She's this old woman, and then she starts yelling at me. She said she  
4 would pay me with credit, but she changed her mind and had me call my manager to change the  
5 transaction to cash. And so I had to stand there for about 30 minutes in front of this trailer,  
6 watching this lady try to find money to pay for her pizza.

7 Interviewer: Unbelievable. And she was a crazy cat lady.

8 Christian: Yeah.

9 Interviewer: If you go in a trailer park, how do you, do they have numbers on the trailers?

10 Christian: Yeah. It's really [0:48:00.2] confusing. Some of those roads are extremely thin.

11 Interviewer: And it's usually dirt roads, right?

12 Christian: Yeah, they're dirt roads.

13 Interviewer: Yeah. I've been in a trailer park too my day working, but it's hard. You basically  
14 like wait until someone like waves you down, you know? OK, so you did pizza. Any jobs prior  
15 to that

16 Christian: No.

17 Interviewer: OK, so it was Pizza Hut, that was your first one?

18 Christian: Yeah.

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1 Interviewer: OK. So what else is going on with you? What are some things that you think would  
2 maybe help you? [0:48:29.9] I mean, have you ever talked to a therapist or talked to a  
3 psychologist or anything like that?

4 Christian: I have, yeah.

5 Interviewer: OK. Are you currently talking to anyone?

6 Christian: No.

7 Interviewer: Have you ever utilized UCF Cares, their program and their counseling, which is all  
8 free for students and stuff?

9 Christian: I have not, no.

10 Interviewer: OK. You take any medication? Sleep aids, anything like that?

11 Christian: Recently I've been taking this thing called Legatrin, which is supposed to help me, I  
12 ran out of it, I'm not going to use it again, bug [0:49:00.6] it's pretty much the only medication  
13 I'm on right now or that I've been on within the past few weeks.

14 Interviewer: And what's that for?

15 Christian: It's supposed to prevent muscle cramps and help me sleep.

16 Interviewer: OK, so dealing with the sleepy leg syndrome or whatever it is.

17 Christian: Yeah, restless leg.

18 Interviewer: Restless leg. And that only affects the one leg?

19 Christian: Both.



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1 Interviewer: So it is both. Is that just nerves?

2 Christian: It might be. I went to a neurologist in December to get a nerve conduction study. He  
3 said there was nothing wrong [0:49:30.0] with my nerves. It could have been also benign  
4 circulation syndrome. I never went into it more than that. But yeah, the twitches are just an  
5 annoyance, that's all.

6 Interviewer: Now will working out, like walking, say walking for an hour or two a day, did they  
7 say that would help as well getting the blood flow, losing a little weight?

8 Christian: Yeah.

9 Interviewer: Because I'm gaining weight because I sit in the office all day. I'm trying to lose it,  
10 but I usually get out three or four times a week and I at least get the blood flowing, because they  
11 say that [0:50:00.4] the quickest thing that'll kill you is sitting, right?

12 Christian: Yeah.

13 Interviewer: When you sit for a living or you sit playing video games, you sit at a computer all  
14 the time, you have no blood flow so it creates all the cardiac issues. Anyway, OK. So you're not  
15 taking any type of like antidepressants or anxiety medicine?

16 Christian: No.

17 Interviewer: Do you have anxiety, in your opinion?

18 Christian: Maybe a little. It was probably worse when I was younger, but I mean I consider  
19 myself [0:50:30.1] much calmer now than I was a few years ago.

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1 Interviewer: OK. What about when you were in middle school? Did you ever have, and these  
2 weren't as prevalent a few years ago, you had Columbine, you had Virginia Tech. What were  
3 your thoughts about those growing up?

4 Christian: I didn't even know, I mean I knew about Columbine, but I hadn't heard of Virginia  
5 Tech until maybe until maybe five years ago or something. I looked it up. So I don't really have  
6 too much memory of ever even thinking about school shootings [0:51:00.0] when, I might have  
7 been noticing them, but before I got into high school.

8 Interviewer: OK. So once you're in high school, middle school you didn't have any thoughts of  
9 any type of like school shootings, right?

10 Christian: No.

11 Interviewer: Then what about in high school?

12 Christian: I didn't have any thoughts of school shooting, but I did, I did, I looked up school  
13 shooting, just in the interest of reading information about it, to pass time. That's when I first  
14 became aware of the major school shootings that have happened within [0:51:30.0] the past  
15 twenty years.

16 Interviewer: Yeah, and what's crazy is a lot of people don't realize that the FBI does like the  
17 shooting statistics, and to be considered a mass shooting, four or more people actually have to  
18 die, right? So there's mass shootings like every day around this country, but people survive, so  
19 you don't really hear about them, which is just insane. So it's a lot more prevalent than what  
20 people realize. It's a major problem in this country, right? And we [0:52:00.2] got to figure out a

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1 way to try to resolve it. So when you looked at the Virginia Tech shooting, what did you think of  
2 that one?

3 Christian: When I first looked at that, I thought of it just what I would think of any mass  
4 shooting, at least at that point, just getting information on a tragedy and reading all the details  
5 about it. I didn't have an opinion on it back then, no.

6 Interviewer: OK. What do you think about how he did it? I mean, he posted videos of himself  
7 and all that stuff.

8 Christian: He mailed stuff into news [0:52:30.9] networks.

9 Interviewer: Yeah.

10 Christian: I think he, more than anybody else, more than any other mass shooter ever, he made,  
11 his motive was probably, probably to have fifteen minutes of fame more than anything else. He  
12 made that clear, more clear than any other mass shooter, I think. The guy's name is Cho, I think?

13 Interviewer: Yeah, something like that. He was an Asian fellow, right?

14 Christian: Yeah.

15 Interviewer: Yeah, no, I agree with you 100 percent. I mean, I think you're right on the money  
16 on that. I think it was just about [0:53:00.2] making a statement, right? But he had an  
17 extraordinary amount of planning as well. So Stephen Paddock had a lot of planning, the  
18 Virginia Tech had a lot of planning, Columbine had tons of planning before they ever made that.  
19 Have you done any type of planning? I mean, in the last ten years have you, you know, thought  
20 about it and maybe even like wrote something down?

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1 Christian: No. [0:53:30.1] It's always been in the head. Never anything on paper. I never really  
2 planned it. I never looked at any school layouts or anything, you know. I haven't planned  
3 anything about it.

4 Interviewer: OK. Not even like starting, not that you're planning anything currently or anything  
5 crazy like that, but like I'm talking about back in high school or even after, when you first got  
6 out of high school.

7 Christian: No, never went through my head to plan something, to go into details of how I would  
8 do something like that.

9 Interviewer: OK. Other than you said you would use probably like an assault rifle or something.

10 Christian: Yeah.

11 Interviewer: If [0:54:00.5] you ever were to do one?

12 Christian: Yeah.

13 Interviewer: OK. What about like at home? Do you have your own computer or whatever?

14 Christian: Yeah.

15 Interviewer: You got like a Mac like I do?

16 Christian: No, I have an Asus tablet. It's not a tablet, it's a laptop.

17 Interviewer: How is that brand?

18 Christian: It's OK I guess.

19 Interviewer: You have viruses?

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1 Christian: Yeah, I did, but I use Malware now, Malware Antibites? Keeps them away.

2 Interviewer: Yeah. I had to go to Mac because my problem was that I had a Lenova [0:54:30.0]  
3 Yoga, and every time I used it it would freeze up on me, all these ads. It was ridiculous, I would  
4 get a virus like every week. It was unbelievable. Now that I got a Mac it's no problem. As long  
5 as you don't like jailbreak it, make sure you're not downloading crap that you're not supposed to  
6 download. So do you watch a lot of YouTube videos and stuff?

7 Christian: Yeah.

8 Interviewer: Do you watch a lot of YouTube videos referenced to shootings and whatnot?

9 Christian: Not on YouTube, no. It's mostly just news coverage when I look at like a mass  
10 shooting.

11 Interviewer: Just news coverage?

12 Christian: Yeah. [0:55:00.4]

13 Interviewer: Are you on any other type of sites like Reddit?

14 Christian: You mean social media sites?

15 Interviewer: Social media, yeah.

16 Christian: I do have a Twitter account but I never use it though. And I did have Facebook, but I  
17 barely use those. They're pretty much dead.

18 Interviewer: OK. What is Paralyzer G?

19 Christian: That's my email.

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1 Interviewer: What is that though?

2 Christian: Paralyzer, I mean [0:55:30.5] the meaning of the name?

3 Interviewer: Mm hm.

4 Christian: Paralyzer is a song by Finger Loving, a hit song. You may have heard of it. And then I  
5 wanted to name myself Paralyzer Z because I like the letter Z a lot. I think it's pretty cool. It's  
6 the last letter, has a cool design to it. But it was taken, so I just decided to settle on G, that's it.

7 Interviewer: Got you. OK. And then what is your, what is your current phone number?

8 [0:56:00.2]

9 Christian: 407-928-8634.

10 Interviewer: And what kind of phone is it?

11 Christian: That is a Samsung Galaxy Note 3.

12 Interviewer: That's a nice one.

13 Christian: Yeah. I get an s-pen with it, you know.

14 Interviewer: OK. And do you have AT&T?

15 Christian: No, T-Mobile.

16 Interviewer: T-Mobile. [0:56:30.5] OK. If you can give me just one second, I think I have one  
17 more point outside, then I'll be right back in, OK?

18 Christian: Do you mind giving me the time? What time is it? I can check my pager. It's almost  
19 10:30.

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1 Interviewer: Alright. Yeah, just give me a moment, OK?

2 Christian: Sure.

3 Interviewer: I'll be right back in.

4 [silence] [0:57:00.4] [0:57:30.0] [0:58:00.1] [0:58:30.1] [0:59:00.2] [0:59:30.4] [1:00:00.0]

5 [1:00:30.4] [1:01:00.2] [1:01:30.4] [1:02:00.0]

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7 Interviewer: Here's water if you're thirsty.

8 Christian: Thanks.

9 Interviewer: So Christian, I need you to be honest with me [1:02:30.5] about just a couple more  
10 things, and then we can figure something out here. My whole objective today was to make  
11 contact with you to find out what the comments were for. I knew what the comments were for. I  
12 had an idea, OK? But also to see if we could intervene before something were to happen. You're  
13 an awesome dude. You're a nice guy. I think anyone who gives you a chance to get to know you  
14 and [1:03:00.2] understand that you are a top notch dude, you'd probably make a great friend,  
15 you're a great family member. And I encourage you to continue to evolve. You're working,  
16 you're in school, you're getting a degree, you're making friends at lab, right? It takes a little bit  
17 of effort. There may be some times where you get shut down, right, or turned away, but the more  
18 you try the better off you're going to be. Opening yourself up. I have to tell myself that, too,  
19 right? I'm right there with you. I'm an introvert. [1:03:30.0] It takes work. Like I'll meet new  
20 people and I don't even want to meet new people. I don't need, I don't want a new friend, you  
21 know? Like my wife's always trying to get me involved with church and all this stuff, and it's  
22 like I don't, it's not me, right? But I have to get through my barriers that I create for myself. And

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1 when I do that and meet new people, I'm like oh, these people are great. I love hanging out, and  
2 it's fun, right? Once you get to that point. So that's where we're at. I don't want to see  
3 [1:04:00.2] you do something in your life or in your future that would cause not only you but  
4 your family really, really massive turmoil. Right? Could you imagine if you would have done a  
5 mass shooting at your high school, your middle school, what that would do to your mom or to  
6 your dad?

7 Christian: Yeah.

8 Interviewer: To your brothers?

9 Christian: Yeah, a lot. I remember when Sandy Hook happened, my mom, she heard [1:04:30.4]  
10 over the radio and I was in the back seat of the car, I was listening to music, and she started  
11 crying.

12 Interviewer: Yeah. Their life would be over. Including yours, right? You would either be dead or  
13 you would be in prison for the rest of your life. But your family's life too, they would be  
14 imprisoned just like the Pulse shooter. We haven't talked about that. What do you think of that  
15 guy?

16 Christian: I mean, I never really thought too much about it his shooting, because I mean,  
17 [1:05:00.3] I just don't know anything about it. I know his name but that's it. His name is  
18 Mateen or something? His shooting. That's one I never really looked into the details of. I did  
19 drive by the Pulse and I saw the memorial once.



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1 Interviewer: It's still up. I mean, I don't, I think the lady that owns it's not going to sell it. She's  
2 just going to make some type of memorial or something, even better than what it is. So you  
3 didn't really think of that one, you didn't look into that one at all?

4 Christian: No. I wasn't too [1:05:30.4] interested in it. Yeah.

5 Interviewer: Maybe because it wasn't school related? Or?

6 Christian: Yeah, probably that.

7 Interviewer: Or terroristic type?

8 Christian: Yeah, because he was an Islamist, I think, or a terrorist, yeah. I'm not into that stuff.

9 Interviewer: OK. So I want to know, and I want you to be 100 honest with me, OK? What do  
10 you have at home that would make me concerned? What is at your house [1:06:00.4] right now  
11 that you have?

12 Christian: In terms of weapons?

13 Interviewer: Yeah.

14 Christian: Just my dad's handgun, and then we have a few baseball bats in the garage.

15 Interviewer: No other firearms?

16 Christian: No other firearms, no.

17 Interviewer: And again, explosives?

18 Christian: No.

19 Interviewer: I'm not talking about dynamite here, right? You can make it.

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- 1 Christian: No.
- 2 Interviewer: You don't have any HME, what you call homemade explosives?
- 3 Christian: No.
- 4 Interviewer: Because your bio, right?
- 5 Christian: Yeah, I know. [1:06:30.1] But I don't have anything of the sort at home.
- 6 Interviewer: OK. Does your mom work?
- 7 Christian: Yes.
- 8 Interviewer: Where does she work?
- 9 Christian: She works for, she's a real estate worker. Empire State Real Estate.
- 10 Interviewer: OK, so she's doing well right now I would imagine with the market the way it is.
- 11 Christian: Yeah.
- 12 Interviewer: And then is your dad home or does he work too?
- 13 Christian: He works too.
- 14 Interviewer: OK. And then both your brothers I would imagine are in school, right?
- 15 Christian: Yeah.
- 16 Interviewer: Alright. What's a phone number for your mom?
- 17 Christian: 321- [1:07:00.5] 276-9966.

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1 Interviewer: I'm not going to call her. Just if I ever need to get ahold of you. What's her first  
2 name?

3 Christian: Christian.

4 Interviewer: No, her first name.

5 Christian: Oh, Mariella. M-A-R-I-E-double L-A.

6 Interviewer: And same last name?

7 Christian: Yes.

8 Interviewer: And that is Velasquez.

9 Christian: Yeah, you can say it either way.

10 Interviewer: How do you pronounce it?

11 Christian: Velasquez.

12 Interviewer: Velasquez. So that's V-A-L [1:07:30.6], no, V-E-L

13 Christian: A-S-

14 Interviewer: A-S-

15 Christian: Q-U-E-Z.

16 Interviewer: OK. And then your father?

17 Christian: Same name as me, Christian.

18 Interviewer: And what's his cell phone number?

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- 1 Christian: 321-276-6695.
- 2 Interviewer: OK. Is there anything at your house that you would consider [1:08:00.1] preparation  
3 for a mass shooting?
- 4 Christian: Nothing besides the one firearm my dad has.
- 5 Interviewer: So no, like you said, nothing written?
- 6 Christian: No, nothing written.
- 7 Interviewer: Nothing planned out, no blueprints of a school or airport or anything like that?
- 8 Christian: No.
- 9 Interviewer: UCF? Nothing like that, a match or anything?
- 10 Christian: No.
- 11 Interviewer: Target list of people who've wronged you in your life?
- 12 Christian: No.
- 13 Interviewer: OK. What kind of car do you drive? [1:08:30.0]
- 14 Christian: A Honda Accord.
- 15 Interviewer: OK, the silver Honda Accord?
- 16 Christian: Yeah.
- 17 Interviewer: Who does that belong to?
- 18 Christian: My mom.

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1 Interviewer: And you parked it here on campus today, right?

2 Christian: Yes.

3 Interviewer: Where's that parked at?

4 Christian: Garage I.

5 Interviewer: What level?

6 Christian: 3.

7 Interviewer: Do you know the tag? I think I have the tag. Is there anything in that car that I need  
8 to know about?

9 Christian: I do have a flashlight my dad bought me for Christmas. [1:09:00.0] It's in case of an  
10 emergency. I could use it to pick a lock or something. There is a very small knife. It's a part of  
11 the flashlight. You open it up and they have scissors to cut your way out of something, a pocket,  
12 a knife embedded into it. They have a mini-hammer in there, too. It's pretty cool.

13 Interviewer: Yeah, a little survivor tool, survival tool.

14 Christian: Survival tool, yeah, in case I break down or something on the side of the road.

15 Interviewer: Yeah. People don't think about it. If you ever went into a ditch or a lake and that  
16 pressure builds up, [1:09:30.4] you got to be able to break the window. Because it ain't easy if  
17 it's rolled up. You got to have something, that little hammer thing, I think that's what that's for,  
18 right?

19 Christian: Yeah.

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1 Interviewer: OK, but no firearms, no ammunition, nothing like that.

2 Christian: No.

3 Interviewer: What about ammunition at your house? Anything like that?

4 Christian: I'm not too sure. I guess my dad has a cartridge or something along with his gun.

5 Interviewer: OK. But he has his gun. He keeps it. Where does he keep that at?

6 Christian: He keeps it [1:10:00.3] locked in a safe box.

7 Interviewer: Perfect. And you don't have access to that?

8 Christian: I do not, no.

9 Interviewer: Is that like a key or a combination?

10 Christian: It is a key.

11 Interviewer: Have you ever talked to your parents about any of this?

12 Christian: I guess I have.

13 Interviewer: And what did you tell them?

14 Christian: They were concerned that I was an introvert. I just told them that that's the way I  
15 operate, it's the way I function. And they were pretty understanding. They just encouraged me to  
16 branch out a little bit. [1:10:30.2]

17 Interviewer: Yeah. Meet people, right? Bring some happiness into your life a little bit. Not that  
18 you don't have happiness, but just more, right?

19 Christian: Yeah.

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1 Interviewer: From the outside. But have you ever talked to them about having certain thoughts or  
2 whatever?

3 Christian: No.

4 Interviewer: Of hurting other people?

5 Christian: I have not, no.

6 Interviewer: Have you ever had thoughts of hurting yourself?

7 Christian: No.

8 Interviewer: OK. So it's more anger and rage towards other people.

9 Christian: Yeah.

10 Interviewer: OK. And have you ever, when you, [1:11:00.3] when was the last time you saw a  
11 therapist?

12 Christian: It may have been 2016 I think. I don't know exactly when.

13 Interviewer: 2016?

14 Christian: Yeah.

15 Interviewer: So we're talking

16 Christian: Almost two years.

17 Interviewer: Almost two years. Did you ever talk to the individual about your rage thoughts,  
18 your homicidal thoughts?

19 Christian: No.

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1 Interviewer: OK. Did they not ask about it or you just didn't open up to them?

2 Christian: They never asked about it.

3 Interviewer: OK. I think if they would have you probably would have been yeah, right?

4 Christian: Yeah.

5 Interviewer: Just thoughts that you're having. [1:11:30.0] OK. Were you ever diagnosed with  
6 any type of mental disorder?

7 Christian: No. Not that I know of, I guess.

8 Interviewer: Like not even, I mean clearly you don't have ADHD. You don't jump around and  
9 you're very, you can stay focused on what we're talking about. OK.

10 Christian: I don't know if it's considered a mental disorder, but maybe it is. When I was little I  
11 was selectively mute. When I was [1:12:00.1] I don't know, maybe elementary school I couldn't  
12 bring myself to say a word in class.

13 Interviewer: Even though you could.

14 Christian: Even though I had the ability to, yeah.

15 Interviewer: And they called that what?

16 Christian: Selective mutism.

17 Interviewer: So your shyness, right, started even when you were a young child.

18 Christian: Yeah.

19 Interviewer: Hm. I never heard of that. So how long did it take you before you started speaking?



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1 Christian: From preschool I didn't say a word in class up until first day of third grade [1:12:30.2]

2 I think. Yeah, so it was five years or something.

3 Interviewer: But when you went home you would talk.

4 Christian: Yeah.

5 Interviewer: That's weird.

6 Christian: I don't remember why.

7 Interviewer: It's very unique, you know? That's very unique. So then when you started talking in  
8 class, people were like oh my God, you can talk!

9 Christian: Not really. I mean it was a new group of kids.

10 Interviewer: OK. You could have freaked some people out, man.

11 Christian: I did. There were some people that were there from my old class, but yeah. I don't  
12 remember their reactions too much.

13 Interviewer: That's wild. I couldn't [1:13:00.3] go ten minutes without opening my mouth about  
14 something. But anyway. Well, here's what's going to happen, OK? First, can I see your cell  
15 phone please? Your Notebook 3?

16 Christian: Yeah.

17 Interviewer: So your phone I'm assuming has like a code or something on there, right?

18 Christian: No.

19 Interviewer: There's like a lock or security code?

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1 Christian: No.

2 Interviewer: So there's not? [1:13:30.3]

3 Christian: No.

4 Interviewer: So I would just swipe and it would open?

5 Christian: Yeah.

6 Interviewer: OK. So I'm asking you for consent to search your phone.

7 Christian: Mm hm.

8 Interviewer: OK? And the reason why I'm asking you for consent to search your phone is I have  
9 some concerns that you very well may have something in the works, even though you may not, I  
10 don't know, referenced to committing a violent act [1:14:00.3] against someone. You're having  
11 homicidal thoughts. You're idolizing individuals who commit mass murder. And I'm concerned  
12 that you may actually do it, OK? So that's why I would like to search your phone to make sure  
13 that there's nothing on there, again, that will help us help you.

14 Christian: OK, you can check my phone.

15 Interviewer: Check your phone? OK. So I'm just going to read this real quick. This is just  
16 literally UCF consent [1:14:30.7] to search. And it basically says, dadada, you've been informed  
17 by me, who's a UCF cop, of your Constitutional rights not to have a search made on any  
18 premise, vehicle or property owned by me under my care, custody or control without a search  
19 warrant. Knowing my lawful right to refuse consent to a search, I hereby willingly and freely  
20 give my consent to the named, above named officer, which is me, to conduct a complete search

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1 of the premises, vehicle and property, I'm talking about your phone. [1:15:00.0] Further, you  
2 have my consent to take from my premises, vehicle or property, so anything from your phone,  
3 pictures or anything we'll take, which they desire as evidence for criminal prosecution in the  
4 case under investigation. This written consent to a search warrant is given to me by the above  
5 officer voluntarily and without any threats or promises of any kind. Does that sound good to  
6 you?

7 Christian: I suppose, yeah. The only thing I do ask is that I really would like to make my exam at  
8 11:30. [1:15:30.6]

9 Interviewer: OK. We're going to be able to plan that to where you can retake that exam.

10 Christian: Sure. Will you contact my professor?

11 Interviewer: I will reach out to your professor. What is your professor's name?

12 Christian: Gregory Weigel I think his name is. I know his last name but his first name I wasn't  
13 too sure of.

14 Interviewer: Weigel?

15 Christian: Yeah.

16 Interviewer: Do you have any idea of the spelling?

17 Christian: Yeah, W-E-I-G-E-L. The I and the E may be switched.

18 Interviewer: OK. [1:16:00.1] And that class is what?

19 Christian: Immunology.

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1 Interviewer: OK. So what I will do personally is I will get in contact with him to make sure that  
2 you can make up that exam.

3 Christian: OK.

4 Interviewer: I'm assuming maybe later this week, and/or whenever, because he may be going out  
5 of town for spring break, sometime after that.

6 Christian: OK.

7 Interviewer: You good with that? OK. We got to take care of some stuff. So this is for your  
8 phone. I'm also going to ask you, since we're doing consent to search, I'm going to write phone  
9 in here. [1:16:30.1] Your vehicle that's parked on campus. You have the keys to the vehicle?

10 Christian: I do.

11 Interviewer: Can I see the keys?

12 Christian: I don't have them on me. They're in my backpack.

13 Interviewer: Backpack? OK. Is there anything in the backpack?

14 Christian: No, not of concern. No weapons, yeah. There are a pair of scissors but I just use that  
15 whenever I cut out a coupon.

16 Interviewer: Sure. So I'm going to add backpack, your phone, and then your vehicle, which is the  
17 silver Honda. I just want to make sure there's nothing that I'm missing.

18 Christian: OK.

19 Interviewer: Does that make sense?

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1 Christian: Yeah.

2 Interviewer: OK. [1:17:00.3] So that consent, if you sign here, will be for your phone, which we  
3 can download right now, the guy's here. I'll search your backpack right now, and then we'll have  
4 someone with your keys go and look through your vehicle.

5 Christian: Sure.

6 Interviewer: Just to make sure there's nothing there. You good with that?

7 Christian: I'm good. Do I need to spell out anything else? [1:17:30.1] Should I print my name  
8 here?

9 Interviewer: Yeah, you can print your name, that's fine. Alright. Let me go check your backpack  
10 real quick and then I will take your phone to the guy. I just want to make sure, so that's all the  
11 way open, right?

12 Christian: Yeah.

13 Interviewer: OK. I'll go ahead and do that real quick and then I'll be right back, OK?

14 Christian: Sure. [1:18:00.2]

15 [silence] [1:18:30.2] [1:19:00.2] [1:19:30.4] [1:20:00.2] [1:20:30.2] [1:21:00.2] [1:21:30.4]

16 [1:22:00.3] [1:22:30.0] [1:23:00.5] [1:23:30.2] [1:24:00.0] [1:24:30.1] [1:25:00.1] [1:25:30.1]

17 [1:26:00.1] [1:26:30.4] [1:27:00.4] [1:27:30.4] [1:28:00.0] [1:28:30.4]

18 Interviewer: So Christian, someone's searching your car. I just searched your backpack, got your  
19 keys, gave it to them. Your phone's going to be downloaded. That's what's happening right now.

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1 So that's all done. [1:29:00.1] What I feel would be best in this situation, I have no other choice,

2 OK? You're not under arrest or anything like that. Have you ever heard of a Baker Act?

3 Christian: No.

4 Interviewer: So Baker Act is basically something that law enforcement, psychiatrists, doctors,

5 they have the ability to basically involuntarily have someone go get a mental health check.

6 Right? Which means you go to a, have you ever heard of University Behavioral [1:29:30.3]

7 Center?

8 Christian: Yeah, I've heard of it.

9 Interviewer: It's like literally a mile away, less than. They're really good. That's where all of our

10 UCF students go when they're having some mental health issues or thoughts, suicidal thoughts,

11 homicidal thoughts, OK? Because I don't think you're a bad guy, and I don't think that, I don't

12 think, I think basically I think you need to talk to someone and I think maybe some, maybe some

13 medicine [1:30:00.7] or something, because what you're, the feelings that you're having

14 internally and the thoughts that you're having are not, they're not OK. Do you agree with that?

15 Christian: I agree.

16 Interviewer: Do you want help?

17 Christian: Sure, I guess.

18 Interviewer: I mean, do you think you need help with that aspect of your thoughts?

19 Christian: I mean, I never could see myself acting out on any of them, but sure, maybe it's, if it's

20 [1:30:30.6] mandatory, I'll go.

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1 Interviewer: OK. So that's where we're at, OK? And so I'll have an officer come in here in a  
2 minute and he's going to drive you down. I'm going to go with you. I'm going to fill out some  
3 paperwork and they're basically going to do an evaluation on you. Now I would like you to be as  
4 honest with them, the people that are really, really going to be able to help you, as you were with  
5 me.

6 Christian: OK.

7 Interviewer: Let them get to know you like I have. OK? You're a nice guy. [1:31:00.2] You're a  
8 smart guy. You're going places in life. I just think you've been hitting some walls throughout  
9 your years that have created this, this feeling that you have, these thoughts that you have. Not  
10 that I ever think that you would act out, right? But you may, right? I mean, I don't know. And I  
11 don't want to see that happen to you or your family. I'm interrupting that, if that was going to  
12 happen, to try to get you back on some solid ground. Because those thoughts are not OK. I mean,  
13 you [1:31:30.6] agree with that.

14 Christian: Yes, I agree.

15 Interviewer: And without intervention, it's possible, maybe not right now, but maybe in a couple  
16 years you could do something like that, if those thoughts keep going. Right?

17 Christian: Right.

18 Interviewer: Do you agree with that?

19 Christian: I agree.

20 Interviewer: OK. So that's where we're at. I'm going to give you my business card as well, OK?  
21 And it'll have my number on there. And when you get out of that, right, it could be today, it

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1 could be tomorrow, I don't exactly know when that's going to be, they can, you can give me a  
2 call anytime [1:32:00.0] if you're ever having any issues at all, anything. If you're having issues  
3 at school, having issues at your employment, anything, give me a call.

4 Christian: OK.

5 Interviewer: Alright? Because I really do like you, man. I think you're a cool dude and I  
6 appreciate you talking to me, but that's where we're at. OK?

7 Christian: OK. I have a question. This trip to the, so what, are you guys going to drive me to the?

8 Interviewer: UBC.

9 Christian: UBC. What is that for again? University Behavior Center?

10 Interviewer: Yes, sir.

11 Christian: I'll be evaluated there, right?

12 Interviewer: Yes, sir.

13 Christian: Will that be, and you said it could take two days, up to?

14 Interviewer: They [1:32:30.2] determine basically how long it's going to be.

15 Christian: OK.

16 Interviewer: So you could go there and they could talk to you for five minute and say you're  
17 great, you're fine, right? Or if you're honest with them, and that's the important thing, because  
18 use this as a tool for yourself and your future, to say hey, I'm having these thoughts. I don't



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1 know why, like I can't put my finger exactly why, unless you know why. I mean, why do you  
2 think you're having these thoughts? Like this is the reason.

3 Christian: Maybe just the prospect of it is exciting. Like you said, the adrenaline rush.

4 [1:33:00.3]

5 Interviewer: Right. So I'm having these thoughts of having this adrenaline rush by doing a mass  
6 shooting, by killing people, and I know that's not the right thing to do and I know those thoughts  
7 aren't normal to have. And it's just because you're in a place, right? I can't explain it. So be  
8 honest with them about that, and they may be able to figure something out where you don't have  
9 those thoughts anymore and you feel better. You're not so angry and you don't want that rage.

10 Christian: OK.

11 Interviewer: You good with that?

12 Christian: I'm good.

13 Interviewer: OK. [1:33:30.4] I appreciate it, man.

14 Christian: What was your name again?

15 Interviewer: Jeff.

16 Christian: Jeff. Nice meeting you, Jeff.

17 Interviewer: I appreciate it. It was a pleasure meeting you.

18 Christian: So the officer will be here in a minute?

19 Interviewer: He's right here, actually.

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1 Christian: Alright, cool.

2 Interviewer: So part of our policy, OK, while we transport, and I can actually let you explain it.

3 Officer: What's the name?

4 Interviewer: Christian.

5 Officer: Christian. Hey Christian, what's up, man? How you doing. So good, you're getting  
6 some help. That's important, OK? That's what we all need sometimes, right?

7 Christian: Right.

8 Officer: So part of our policy is what we're going to do is I'm going to pat you down. I'm not  
9 searching for weapons or anything like that. [1:34:00.2] But mainly it's to make sure you don't  
10 have any contraband, because a lot of things that may be legal but they won't allow in the  
11 hospital. So I'm going to check you for things like that. Another policy is anybody who rides in  
12 our car has to have handcuffs on. It doesn't mean you're under arrest at all, it's just for your  
13 safety and for my safety. We secure you that way, so that way you're safe in our car and when  
14 we get you there inside, we'll take them off.

15 Christian: OK.

16 Officer: OK?

17 Christian: OK.

18 Officer: So if you don't mind, what I'm going to do is have you just face the wall because it's  
19 just easier that way. I'll put the handcuffs on you. You need to put the backs of your hands

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1 together. OK? [1:34:30.4] Just put the backs of your hands together like that. Perfect. Get your  
2 sweater out of the way there. Is that alright?

3 Christian: It's alright.

4 Officer: Alright. I'm going to lock those up in a second here. Real quick I'm just going to make  
5 sure you don't have anything that we just talked about. Alright. You don't have anything on you,  
6 right? Like maybe a pocket knife even? [1:35:00.2]

7 Christian: No.

8 Officer: Is this, what is this?

9 Christian: It's a pager.

10 Officer: Pager. I'm just going to set it on the table real quick. Give me a little more distance  
11 between your legs. Nothing in your pocket. [1:35:30.4] Alright, perfect. So now my car is ready  
12 to go. Take your personal property. Your IDs and stuff are? Alright. Let's go this way. We're  
13 going to go straight down. Right on the stairs, is that alright?

14 Interviewer: Oh, and we're going to take your phone and bring it to you, [1:36:00.1], you'll  
15 receive it when we're all done with it. So there is a pair of scissors in here? Were you aware?  
16 When you give that to them, they're aware that there are scissors in there.

17 Officer: We'll hold on your arm because if you trip and fall, if you do that we'll catch you. You  
18 know what I mean?

19 Interviewer: Before you go I'm just going to take a picture of you both. And face the wall there  
20 for a minute. [1:36:30.0]

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- 1 Officer: Face the wall.
- 2 Christian: Like that? [inaudible]
- 3 Interviewer: And I'm going to ask you if you can take off the pack and glasses. [1:37:00.2]
- 4 Officer: All set.
- 5 Interviewer: I'm going to meet you downstairs. Where'd you park?
- 6 Officer: Right in front of Sally Park.

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