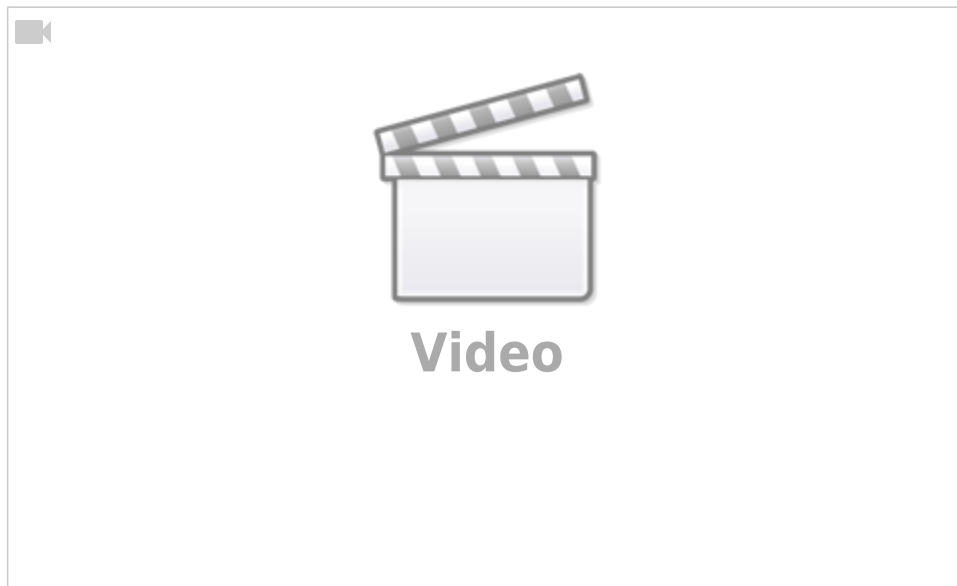


# Conspiracy Theories

At our last coffee break, we talked a little bit about why some people believe in conspiracy theories. Two of the main reasons are that (1) science has become “too complicated” for regular folks to understand, which coupled with (2) a distrust of institution has led to groups like the Flat Earth Society to see their evidence as “relying on ones own senses to discern the true nature of the world around us.”<sup>1)</sup>

That is, you don't need all that complicated science, and don't trust anyone else but your *own* senses.



<sup>1)</sup>

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