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Prompts for English Teachers · Upper Secondary.

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Glossary

A few terms that recur throughout this guide. If you already know them, skip ahead to the framework on the next page.

AI — Artificial Intelligence

An attempt to make machines mimic brain functions — to "think" and learn roughly the way humans do. We don't fully understand how the brain works, but we can try to replicate the parts we do understand.

Prompt

An instruction given to a chatbot to get a desired response or task performed.

Iterate

After receiving a response from a chatbot, you refine and clarify the parts you're not satisfied with — sharpening the answer until it's what you want. The better your starting prompt, the fewer iterations you'll need.

Chatbot

A chatbot has been trained to find patterns in large amounts of text. It uses those patterns to generate a response to your prompt. The answer is produced in real time.

GPT

The underlying model (Generative Pre-trained Transformer) that a chatbot uses. The same GPT can power different chatbots — for example, Copilot and ChatGPT have both used OpenAI's GPT.

Generative AI

AI that creates (generates) text, images, video, or sound in real time when prompted to do so.

Bias

AI responses can be skewed or partial, depending on the data the AI was trained on and the biases present in that data. These biases are harder to spot in chatbots than in image-generating AI.

Hallucination

The text you receive from a chatbot is based on patterns in its training data, but word generation also involves randomness — meaning generated words can sometimes create a meaning that simply isn't true.

A framework for writing your own prompts

Role: Act as an experienced physics teacher.

Task: Create a lesson plan that introduces year 8 students to optics.

Context: I teach at a middle school, have 25 students in my class, and the lesson is 60 minutes long.

Format: Link content and activities to the physics curriculum and give me a plan that describes each part of the lesson and the materials required.

Tone: Use a formal but friendly tone.

A few chatbots to know

AI can also generate images and more, but we focus here on chat capabilities.

ChatGPT — OpenAI's chatbot

Gemini — Google's chatbot

NotebookLM — Google's tool that can, among other things, generate a two-voice podcast

Copilot — Microsoft's chatbot

Claude — Anthropic's chatbot

Perplexity — From San Francisco, was early to include source links

Duck AI — DuckDuckGo's chatbot, lets you pick among several GPTs

Mistral AI — A chatbot from France

Most chatbots have age restrictions.

BEFORE YOU START

How to use the prompts

All the prompts are starting points — examples to get you going.
Adapt them to fit your context.

After using a chatbot for a while, you'll learn what kinds of prompts work better or worse. Try the same prompt twice — first as-is, then with the prefix "Act as an experienced expert teacher in [subject]" — and see whether the quality of the response improves. A good response means a good prompt. A poor response means the prompt needs more context or adjustment. Some chatbots are better than others at certain tasks, so if you're not satisfied despite multiple tries, consider switching chatbot.

Brackets and privacy

You paste the prompt text into the chatbot's input field. Wherever brackets *[like this]* appear, replace the text inside with whatever fits your context.

Always double-check the responses — chatbot output is not guaranteed to be accurate.

Note: Think carefully before uploading texts or documents. Never upload personal data or sensitive information. Mind GDPR.

Upper Secondary English Teacher

01 Write a 200-word article in English about the impact of social media on teenagers for English 5 and create 5 comprehension questions focusing on main ideas and details. Generate a 150-word short story in English about a young person facing a moral dilemma for English 6 and write 4 questions that encourage students to analyze the character's motivations.

02 Create a 200-word text in English about the history of the English language for English 7 and develop 5 questions that test students' understanding of linguistic evolution and influences.

03 Write a 150-word news report in English about a recent environmental issue in an English-speaking country for English 5 and create 5 questions focusing on cause and effect. Generate a 200-word text in English about cultural diversity in London for English 6 and write 4 questions that encourage students to reflect on the benefits and challenges of multiculturalism.

04 Create a 150-word excerpt from a novel set in the United States during the 1960s for English 7 and develop 5 questions that focus on historical context and character development.

05 Write a 200-word article in English about the importance of learning a second language for English 5 and create 5 comprehension questions that test vocabulary and inference skills. Generate a 150-word text in English about a famous British festival for English 6 and write 4 questions that encourage students to identify cultural traditions and their significance.

06 Create a 200-word speech in English about gender equality delivered by a young activist for English 7 and develop 5 questions that focus on rhetorical devices and persuasive techniques.

07 Write a 150-word blog post in English about the effects of globalization on youth culture for English 5 and create 5 questions that test students' understanding of global influences. Writing

08 Create a writing task for English 5 where students write a 200-word essay about the advantages and disadvantages of online learning and provide 5 guiding questions to help them structure their essay. Generate a prompt for English 6 where students write a 250-word short story about a journey that changes the main character's perspective and give 4 examples of descriptive language they can use.

09 Write a task for English 7 where students write a 300-word argumentative essay about whether social media does more harm than good and provide 5 tips for constructing a strong argument.

10 Create a writing prompt for English 5 where students write a 200-word letter to a friend describing a memorable holiday in an English-speaking country and give 3 examples of informal language to include. Generate a task for English 6 where students write a 250-word review of a book or movie set in an English-speaking country and provide 5 questions to help them analyze the plot and themes.

11 Write a prompt for English 7 where students write a 300-word speech about the importance of protecting the environment and give 4 examples of persuasive techniques they can use.

12 Create a writing task for English 5 where students write a 200-word narrative about a day in the life of a teenager in the UK and provide 5 vocabulary words related to daily routines. Generate a prompt for English 6 where students write a 250-word article about the impact of technology on communication and give 4 examples of linking words to help them structure their text.

13 Write a task for English 7 where students write a 300-word analysis of a famous English poem and provide 5 questions to guide their interpretation of themes and literary devices.

14 Create a writing prompt for English 5 where students write a 200-word email to a teacher explaining why they missed a deadline and give 3 examples of polite expressions to use. Oral Communication

15 Write 5 discussion questions for English 5 based on a 200-word article about the effects of climate change in English-speaking countries and focus on solutions and individual responsibility. Generate a role-play scenario for English 6 where two students debate the pros and cons of studying abroad in an English-speaking country and provide 5 key phrases for expressing opinions.

16 Create a list of 5 topics for English 7 students to discuss in small groups about global issues affecting English-speaking nations and write 4 questions for each topic to guide the discussion.

17 Write a 150-word text in English for English 5 about a cultural misunderstanding between two people from different English-speaking countries and create 5 questions for a class discussion about cultural differences. Generate 5 debate topics for English 6 about modern challenges in English-speaking societies and provide 4 arguments for each side of one topic as an example.

18 Create a task for English 7 where students prepare a 3-minute presentation about a famous English-speaking historical figure and give 5 tips for effective public speaking.

19 Write 5 discussion questions for English 5 based on a 200-word text about the importance of diversity in schools and focus on inclusion and equality. Generate a group activity for English 6 where students discuss a 150-word text about the influence of British music globally and provide 5 questions to encourage critical thinking.

20 Create a task for English 7 where students prepare a 2-minute speech about the role of English as a global language and give 4 examples of rhetorical questions they can use.

21 Write a scenario for English 5 where students role-play a job interview in English and provide 5 common interview questions along with sample answers. Cultural Understanding

22 Write a 200-word text in English about the history of Thanksgiving in the United States for English 5 and create 5 questions that encourage students to reflect on cultural traditions. Generate a 150-word text in English about the impact of British colonialism on modern English-speaking countries for English 6 and write 4 questions that focus on historical and cultural effects.

23 Create a task for English 7 where students write a 300-word essay comparing a cultural festival in two English-speaking countries and provide 5 guiding questions to help them analyze similarities and differences.

24 Write a 200-word text in English about the influence of American pop culture on global youth for English 5 and create 5 discussion questions about cultural globalization. Generate a 150-word text in English about Indigenous cultures in Australia for English 6 and write 4 questions that encourage students to reflect on cultural preservation and challenges.

25 Create a task for English 7 where students research and present a 3-minute talk about a social issue in an English-speaking country and provide 5 questions to guide their research.

26 Write a 200-word text in English about the education system in the UK for English 5 and create 5 questions that encourage students to compare it with the Swedish system. Generate a 150-word text in English about the history of the English monarchy for English 6 and write 4 questions that focus on its cultural and political significance.

27 Create a task for English 7 where students write a 300-word analysis of a famous English-speaking author's work and its cultural context and provide 5 questions to guide their analysis.

28 Write a 200-word text in English about the role of sports in Australian culture for English 5 and create 5 questions that encourage students to discuss the importance of sports in society. Literature and Analysis

29 Write a 200-word excerpt from a dystopian novel set in a future English-speaking society for English 7 and create 5 questions that encourage students to analyze themes and symbolism. Generate a 150-word summary of Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet for English 6 and write 4 questions that focus on the characters' motivations and the play's cultural impact.

30 Create a 200-word text in English about the themes of identity in Toni Morrison's Beloved for English 7 and develop 5 questions that encourage students to explore historical and social contexts.

31 Write a 150-word poem in English about freedom for English 5 and create 5 questions that help students analyze the poem's imagery and tone. Generate a 200-word text in English about the role of nature in Romantic poetry for English 6 and write 4 questions that focus on literary devices and historical background.

32 Create a task for English 7 where students write a 300-word analysis of a short story by an English-speaking author and provide 5 guiding questions to help them explore themes and narrative techniques.

33 Write a 150-word excerpt from a novel about the American Dream for English 6 and create 5 questions that encourage students to discuss the concept's relevance today. Generate a 200-word text in English about the influence of Charles Dickens on modern literature for English 7 and write 4 questions that focus on his social commentary and writing style.

34 Create a 150-word summary of George Orwell's 1984 for English 6 and develop 5 questions that encourage students to reflect on surveillance and power in today's society.

35 Write a 200-word text in English about the role of female characters in Jane Austen's novels for English 7 and create 5 questions that focus on gender roles and societal expectations. Language Development

36 Create a list of 10 advanced English idioms related to emotions and give a task for English 6 where students write a 200-word story using at least 3 idioms. Generate 5 sentences in English with common grammatical errors for English 5 and create a task where students correct the errors and explain their reasoning.

37 Write a 150-word text in English with 5 examples of formal language for English 7 and create a task where students rewrite the text using informal language.

38 Create a list of 10 English phrasal verbs related to communication and give a task for English 6 where students write 5 sentences using different phrasal verbs. Generate a 200-word text in English with 5 examples of academic vocabulary for English 7 and write 4 questions that encourage students to use the vocabulary in their own sentences.

39 Create a task for English 5 where students write a 200-word dialogue between two friends using at least 5 slang expressions and provide a list of 10 slang terms they can choose from.

40 Write a 150-word text in English with 5 examples of linking words for English 6 and create a task where students write a short essay using at least 3 of the linking words. Generate a list of 10 English words with multiple meanings and give a task for English 5 where students write sentences showing the different meanings of 3 words.

41 Create a 200-word text in English with 5 examples of passive voice for English 7 and write 4 questions that encourage students to rewrite the sentences in active voice.

42 Write a task for English 6 where students improve a 150-word text by adding descriptive adjectives and adverbs and provide 10 examples of descriptive words they can use. Social Issues

43 Write a 200-word article in English about the impact of immigration on English-speaking countries for English 6 and create 5 discussion questions focusing on social and economic effects. Generate a 150-word text in English about the Black Lives Matter movement for English 7 and write 4 questions that encourage students to reflect on systemic racism and activism.

44 Create a task for English 5 where students write a 200-word essay about the effects of poverty in an English-speaking country and provide 5 guiding questions to help them structure their essay.

45 Write a 200-word speech in English about the importance of mental health awareness for English 6 and create 5 questions that encourage students to discuss societal attitudes toward mental health. Generate a 150-word text in English about the gender pay gap in the UK for English 7 and write 4 questions that focus on causes, consequences, and potential solutions.

46 Create a task for English 5 where students prepare a 2-minute presentation about a social issue in an English-speaking country and provide 5 research questions to guide their preparation.

47 Write a 200-word article in English about the effects of Brexit on young people for English 6 and create 5 questions that encourage students to discuss political and cultural impacts. Generate a 150-word text in English about the opioid crisis in the United States for English 7 and write 4 questions that focus on public health and government responses.

48 Create a list of 5 social issues affecting English-speaking countries and give a task for English 5 where students write a 200-word letter to a politician about one issue.

49 Write a 200-word text in English about the role of education in reducing inequality for English 6 and create 5 discussion questions about access to education and its societal impact. Creativity and Expression

50 Create a writing prompt for English 5 where students write a 200-word poem about a city in an English-speaking country and provide 5 examples of sensory language they can use. Generate a task for English 6 where students write a 250-word script for a short scene set in a historical period in an English-speaking country and give 4 examples of period-specific language.

51 Write a prompt for English 7 where students create a 300-word fictional interview with a famous English-speaking celebrity and provide 5 questions they can include in the interview.

52 Create a task for English 5 where students write a 200-word story inspired by a famous English proverb and provide a list of 5 proverbs they can choose from. Generate a prompt for English 6 where students write a 250-word diary entry from the perspective of a teenager living in an English-speaking country during a major historical event and give 4 historical details to include.

53 Write a task for English 7 where students create a 300-word advertisement for a fictional product aimed at English-speaking youth and provide 5 examples of persuasive language to use.

54 Create a writing prompt for English 5 where students write a 200-word description of a festival in an English-speaking country and provide 5 vocabulary words related to celebrations. Generate a task for English 6 where students write a 250-word alternate ending to a famous English novel and give 4 examples of how to maintain the original tone and style.

55 Write a prompt for English 7 where students create a 300-word podcast script about a cultural trend in an English-speaking country and provide 5 tips for engaging the audience.

56 Create a task for English 5 where students write a 200-word story about a magical object found in an English-speaking country and provide 5 descriptive words to inspire their writing.

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