



AI Chatbot

Chatbots are great brainstorming, research, and development tools for both teachers and students. A chatbot is a software application or web interface that is designed to mimic human conversation through text or voice interactions, often using natural language processing (NLP) to understand the user's questions and automate responses to them.

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Summary

In the classroom, teachers and students may use a chatbot to brainstorm ideas, help with research, act as a sounding board during collaboration, practice debate tactics, and more.

Note: Chatbots can misinterpret information, present bias, and/or plagiarize the work of others. Always check the validity and originality of the content gleaned from a chatbot source.

Procedure

Have a topic or question in mind.

1. Type in your question or topic (a “prompt”) to your chosen chatbot platform. Make sure you’re as specific as possible when it comes to details about what you need and the context.
2. If the first response is not exactly what you were looking for, try rephrasing your original prompt. With some platforms you can simply tell the bot to “try again.”
3. Consider changing any personalization settings on the chatbot platform (if applicable) to reflect your work environment, so that the bot’s responses better reflect your needs.

Examples of Chatbot generators:

- [ChatGPT](#)
- [Microsoft Copilot](#)
- [Google Bard](#)
- [Claude](#)

Currently, most platforms are free but some may offer additional subscription features. However, this may change, so stay informed on any updates.

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