GPT for Excel – Created by Bjorn Austraat



General Setup

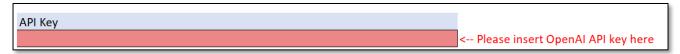
For the macros on this worksheet to function properly, please follow the steps outlined below. Please note that this XLSM file only works on Windows.

Obtain an OpenAl API Key

You must obtain your own OpenAI API key for the macros in this workbook to function properly. For instructions on procuring an OpenAI API key, please see

https://www.windowscentral.com/software-apps/how-to-get-an-openai-api-key

After receiving the OpenAI API key, insert it in the API Key cell on the "Configuration" tab



The API Key field will change background color to blue

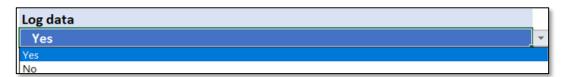
API Key sk-e2610Wnqg4WtE4t7ZYJuT3BlbkFJSARLQ6890i*********

Model selection

Select either gpt-3.5-turbo or gpt-4. Note the considerable cost differences for prompt and completion tokens. The cost values are automatically populated.

Log data

If you'd like to keep an eye on costs, set "Log Data" to "Yes" in the "Configuration" tab. This will trigger the generation of a text file called "ExcelForGPTLog.txt" in the same folder as the macro workbook to log the time, prompt, completion, total tokens and cost of each GPT API call.



GPTFillRange() Prompt Configuration for One-shot / Few-shot / Multi-shot learning

Modify the values in this section as needed. The default values perform quite well for most one-shot/few-shot/multi-shot learning tasks, so please only make changes to these values if the defaults do not deliver the desired results.

Activating macro content

Depending on the delivery mode, you may have to accept one or more warnings about potentially unsafe content, i.e. the macro code in this workbook

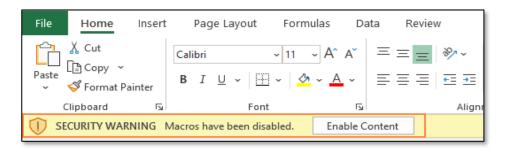
If you encounter the Microsoft Excel Security Notice

Select "Enable Macros"



When opening the workbook

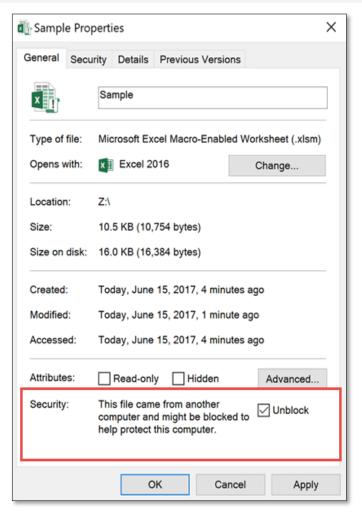
Select "Enable Content"



If you encounter the "Microsoft has blocked macros" issue



Select the properties of the xlsm file and select "Unblock"



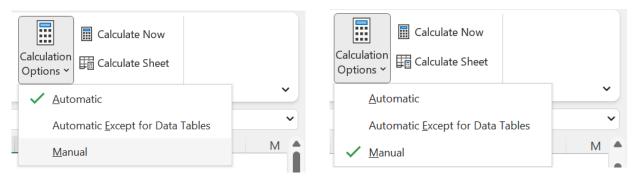
GPT(InputPrompt) - Simple Example

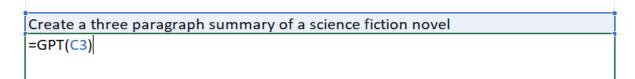
This function simply submits your prompt to GPT and returns the result based on the wording of the input prompt and the temperature (i.e. the amount of creativity)

Step-by-Step Instructions

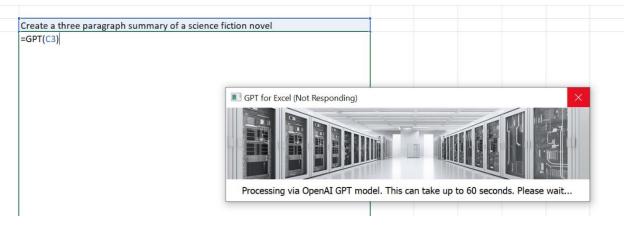
Create a new worksheet. Enter the desired prompt text into a cell. Optionally, you can enter the text directly into the cell by typing it into the formula like =GPT("Here is my prompt"). I recommend keeping the text in a separate cell as shown below.

As the GPT() and GPTFillRange() functions are "auto-calculated" during many common spreadsheet activities, you may want to disable Automatic Calculations in the Formulas ribbon to avoid potentially costly repeated OpenAI API calls.





Upon hitting "Enter," the prompt is submitted to GPT. Depending on system load and complexity of the task, response times may vary from several seconds to up to a minute. You may see a "Not responding" message, but the system is still processing the request.



Once the result is returned from GPT, the output is displayed in the cell containing the formula.

Create a three paragraph summary of a science fiction novel

"The Three-Body Problem" by Liu Cixin is a science fiction novel that explores the idea of humanity's first contact with an alien civilization. The story takes place in China during the Cultural Revolution and follows the protagonist, Ye Wenjie, a physicist who is sent to a remote military base to work on a top-secret project. There, she discovers a way to send messages to the stars, and she decides to send a message to the Trisolaran civilization, a species living in a nearby star system.

The Trisolarans, having gone through a series of environmental catastrophes, are on the brink of extinction. They receive the message and decide to invade Earth, hoping to make it their new home. The story then shifts to present-day, where we follow the protagonist, Wang Miao, a nanomaterials researcher who is brought into a secret society called the Frontiers of Science. The society is investigating a series of mysterious suicides among scientists and discovers that they are all related to a virtual reality game called "Three-Body."

As Wang delves deeper into the game, he uncovers a conspiracy that involves the Trisolarans and their plan to take over Earth. The novel depicts a struggle between two civilizations and explores themes such as the limits of human understanding, the nature of consciousness, and the role of science in society. It is a thought-provoking and imaginative novel that will keep readers engaged until the very end.

GPT(InputPrompt) - Complex Example

Concatenated prompts to add flexibility and power to GPT output generation

Step-by-Step Instructions

To create bespoke GPT results for a variety of inputs, arrange individual items into a table and use either & syntax or the CONCAT () function to create the desired input prompt for GPT ()

| Name | Favorite team | Favorite food | Message |
|--------|---------------|---------------|---|
| John | Raiders | Steak | |
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| | | | =gpt("Create a short one paragraph invitation for " & C5 & " for a get together that involves |
| | | | either " & D5 & " or a dinner featuring " & E5) |
| Joanne | Real Madrid | Sushi | |

By filling the \mathtt{GPT} () formula down the "Message" column, GPT creates a bespoke message for the respective inputs on each row.

| Name | Favorite team | Favorite food | Message |
|--------|---------------|---------------|---|
| John | Raiders | Steak | Dear John, |
| | | | I hope this message finds you well. I would like to invite you to a get-together that involves either watching the Raiders game or enjoying a delicious steak dinner. It would be great to catch up over some good food and drinks while cheering on our favorite football team. Let me know if you're available and interested, and I'll send you the details. Looking forward to seeing you soon! |
| Joanne | Real Madrid | Sushi | Hey Joanne! How have you been? We're planning a get-together soon and we'd love for you to join us. We're thinking of either watching a Real Madrid game or having a dinner featuring some delicious sushi. Let us know which one you're more interested in and we'll make sure to plan accordingly. Looking forward to catching up with you soon! |

"#VALUE!" results

During times of high demand, individual calls to the OpenAI API may time out. If this happens, the macro will simply continue processing the next operation and will display "#VALUE!" in the impacted cell. To clear this error, re-run the operation in the cell showing the "#Value!" result.

GPTFillRange(TrainingRange as Range, InputRange as Range) - Simple example

Designed for "few-shot learning," this function allows you to easily submit prompt/response pairs to GPT to customize completions.

Structure

Training Range:

Contains prompt completions examples - can be simple completions, token extractions, sentiment analysis, etc.

Input Range:

Contains prompt inputs to be completed by GPT.

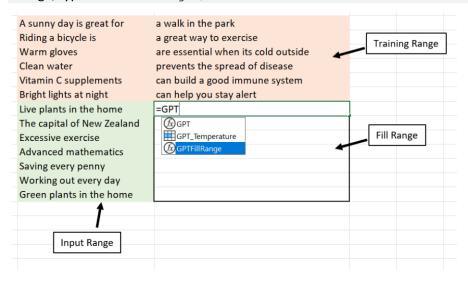
Fill Range:

Will be automatically populated by GPTFillRange()

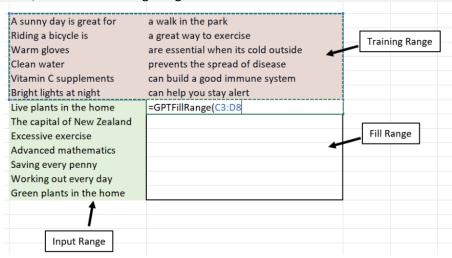


Step-by-Step Instructions

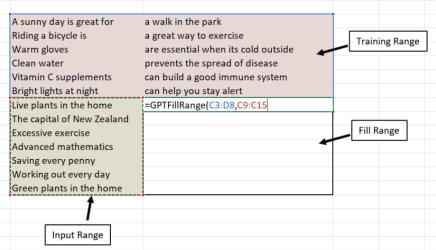
In the first empty cell immediately following the Training Range and immediately to the right of the Input Range, type GPTFillRange (



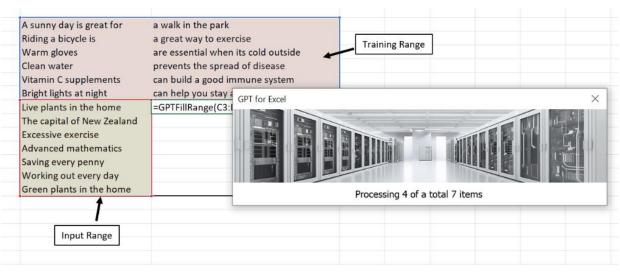
Next, select the Training Range



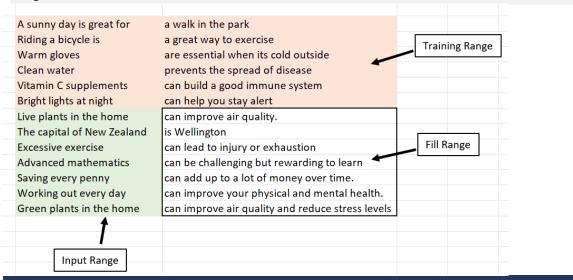
Type comma, and then select the Input Range



Now complete the formula by typing a closing parenthesis. This will launch the GPT API calls and you will see a status dialog with the progress of the overall fill process.



Upon successfully completing the fill process, the GPT-generated results will be displayed in the Fill Range.



GPTFillRange(TrainingRange as Range, InputRange as Range) - Complex example

Designed for "few-shot learning," this function allows you to easily submit prompt inputs for sophisticated parsing. This example produces multi-columnar output

Training Range:

Contains prompt completions examples - in this case, contains tokens such as names, the type of action, and address.

Input Range:

Contains text to be analyzed by GPT.

Fill Range:

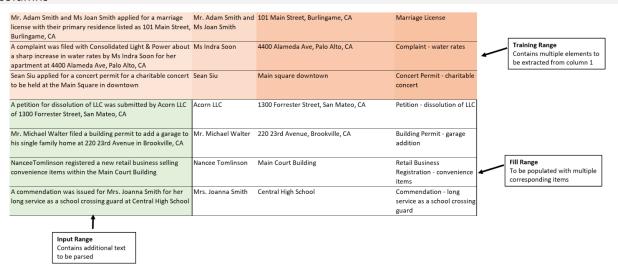
Will be automatically populated by GPTFillRange()



Enter the ${\tt GPTFillRange}$ () command into the appropriate cell covering the multi-columnar training range and the desired InputRange



After processing completes, the corresponding extracted values will be inserted into the appropriate columns



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