

# Instructions to build a Hotel Booking AI Chatbot

## Step 1: Create an IBM Cloud Account

1. **Sign Up or Log In:** Go to the [IBM Cloud](#) and create an account or log in if you already have one.

## Step 2: Create a Watson Assistant Service

1. **Navigate to Watson Assistant:** Once logged in, go to the IBM Cloud Dashboard.
2. **Create Resource:** Click on Create resource and search for Watson Assistant.
3. **Create Service:** Click on the Watson Assistant service and follow the prompts to create it.

## Step 3: Create an Assistant

1. **Go to Watson Assistant:** In the IBM Cloud Dashboard, navigate to the Watson Assistant service you created.
2. **Create Assistant:** Click on Create assistant and provide a name for your assistant (e.g., "Hotel Booking Assistant").

## Step 4: Create a Skill

1. **Add Skill:** Within your assistant, click on Add Skill and choose Create Skill.
2. **Skill Type:** Select Dialog skill and provide a name (e.g., "Hotel Booking Skill").

## Step 5: Define Intents

Intents are used to understand what the user wants to do.

1. **Create Intent:** Go to the Intents tab and click on Create intent.
2. **Name and Examples:** Create intents such as #book\_room, #check\_availability, and #cancel\_booking. Add example phrases for each intent. For example:
  - **#book\_room:** "I want to book a room", "Can I reserve a room?"
  - **#check\_availability:** "Do you have rooms available?", "Is there any availability?"
  - **#cancel\_booking:** "I need to cancel my booking", "Can I cancel my reservation?"

## Step 6: Define Entities

Entities are used to extract specific data from the user's input.

1. **Create Entity:** Go to the Entities tab and click on Create entity.
2. **Name and Values:** Create entities such as @room\_type, @number\_of\_nights, and @dates. Add values for each entity. For example:
  - **@room\_type:** "single", "double", "suite"
  - **@number\_of\_nights:** "one night", "two nights", "three nights"

- **@dates:** Use @sys-date system entity for dates.

### **Step 7: Create Dialog Nodes**

Dialog nodes define the flow of conversation.

1. **Create Dialog Node:** Go to the Dialog tab and click on Create node.
2. **Define Nodes:** Create nodes for each intent. For example:
  - **Node for #book\_room:** Prompt the user for room type, number of nights, and dates.
  - **Node for #check\_availability:** Respond with availability information.
  - **Node for #cancel\_booking:** Confirm cancellation and provide feedback.

### **Step 8: Test Your Chatbot**

1. **Test Interface:** Use the Try it pane to test your chatbot.
2. **Refine:** Based on the test results, refine your intents, entities, and dialog nodes.