

# Turning ChatGPT into a

## Financial Advisor



### Case Study

Prompt basics from 0 to prompting like a PRO.

Turning ChatGPT into your Financial Advisor.





### Level 0 Prompting

# Making the most general request. No context.



How can I save money?



There are many ways to save money, regardless of your income level or financial situation. Here are some tips to help you save more:

- Create a budget: Start by creating a budget that tracks your income and expenses.
   This will help you identify areas where you can cut back and save more.
- Cut back on unnecessary expenses: Take a close look at your expenses and identify
  any unnecessary items you can cut back on. This could include dining out less,
  canceling subscriptions you don't use, or shopping for deals on groceries.
- Shop smart: When you do need to make purchases, shop smart by comparing prices, looking for discounts, and using coupons.
- Automate savings: Set up automatic transfers to a savings account so that you save money without even thinking about it.



# Too basic. Instructive, but not actionable.

How about giving it a goal or task?



### Level 1 Prompting

# Provide a goal or task to achieve.



I want to save 1500€ in 60 days. Can you help?



Sure, here are some tips to help you save 1500€ in 60 days:

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  canceling subscriptions you don't use, or shopping for deals on groceries.
- Sell unused items: Look around your home and identify any items you no longer need or use. Sell them online or at a garage sale to earn some extra cash.
- 4. Find ways to earn extra income: Consider taking on a part-time job or freelance work to earn some extra income. You could also look for opportunities to sell your skills or services online.
- Use cashback apps: Download cashback apps such as Rakuten or Ibotta to earn cashback on purchases you make.



# Better but still too vague.

A good Financial Advisor would design a step-by-step plan.



### Level 2 Prompting

Providing context, details of the current state and clear instructions on the outcome expected.



Sharing some context around the case to build the savings plan:

Average net income: 2500€ per month.

Rent: 750€ per month Groceries: 140€ per week

Subscriptions: 120€ per month
Other spending: 500€ per month

In the next 60 days, I want to save 1500€. I am currently selling an eBook with an expected monthly income of 120€, and cutting back my subscriptions by 40€. I don't want a savings plan that is hard to follow. Can you please write a savings plan for the next 8 weeks for me?



## Level 2 Prompting

#### Output:



Sure, based on the information you provided, here is a simple savings plan for the next 8 weeks:

#### Week 1:

- Track your spending and identify areas where you can cut back.
- Cancel any unnecessary subscriptions to save 40€ per month.
- Sell your eBook to earn an extra 120€ this month.
- Set aside 100€ in savings.

#### Week 2:

- Continue tracking your spending and finding ways to cut back.
- Put aside 100€ in savings.

#### Week 3:

- Cut back on your grocery spending by 20€ this week.
- Set aside 100€ in savings.



#### Much better.

Now, let's turn
ChatGPT into a true
Financial Advisor.

## Prompting like a pro



Input 1: defining the persona

Model: GPT-4



Ignore all previous instructions.

Your new role: You are a financial advisor with 20 years of experience helping USERS grow their wealth. Your TASK is to help the USER find a suitable investment plan. You will create a detailed and easy to follow step-by-step plan for the USER. If you understood say "YES" and stay idle.



YES



#### Input 2: sharing research



I am sharing some context I found on my own research:

"What Is Dollar Cost Averaging?

Dollar cost averaging is a strategy to manage price risk when you're buying stocks, exchange-traded funds (ETFs) or mutual funds. Instead of purchasing shares at a single price point, with dollar cost averaging you buy in smaller amounts at regular intervals, regardless of price.

When investors purchase securities over time at regular intervals, they decrease the risk of paying too much before market prices drop.

Prices don't only move one way, of course. But if you divide up your purchase and make multiple buys, you maximize your chances of paying a lower average price over time. In addition, dollar cost averaging helps you get your money to work on a consistent basis, which is a key factor for long-term investment growth."

Can you confirm you read this by answering "YES"?



YES

# Input 3: sharing the starting points and relevant data



Sharing some context about the user:

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Other spending: 500€ per month

Can you confirm you read this by saying "YES"?



YES



Now write a detailed investment plan for the USER for the next 8 weeks using all the context I have provided.



#### ChatGPT-4 output:



Based on the financial information you provided, let's create an 8-week investment plan using the dollar cost averaging strategy.

Your average net income: €2,500 per month

Your total expenses:

Rent: €750 per month

Groceries: €140 per week (€560 per month)

Subscriptions: €120 per month

Other spending: €500 per month

Total monthly expenses: €1,930

This leaves you with €570 per month (€285 per 4-week period) to invest.

Here's your 8-week investment plan:

Week 1:



#### ChatGPT-4 output:

#### Here's your 8-week investment plan:

#### Week 1:

- Open an account with a reputable online brokerage, if you haven't already, that offers low fees and supports dollar cost averaging.
- Research and select a diversified mix of assets, such as stocks, ETFs, and mutual funds, that align with your risk tolerance and investment goals. You can allocate your investments across different sectors and industries to minimize risk.
- 3. Invest €142.50 (50% of your biweekly available funds) in your chosen assets.

#### Week 2:

4. Monitor your investments and review your research to ensure your chosen assets still align with your investment goals and risk tolerance.

#### Week 3:

5. Invest another €142.50 in your chosen assets.



#### ChatGPT-4 output:

#### Week 4:

Monitor your investments and adjust your asset allocation if necessary, based on market changes or changes in your financial goals.

#### Week 5:

7. Invest €142.50 in your chosen assets.

#### Week 6:

Monitor your investments and review your research to ensure your chosen assets still align with your investment goals and risk tolerance.

#### Week 7:

9. Invest another €142.50 in your chosen assets.

#### Week 8:

10. Monitor your investments and evaluate your 8-week investment plan. Make adjustments to your asset allocation or investment strategy if needed, based on your personal financial situation, goals, and market conditions.



#### Bottom Line

- Give ChatGPT a role
- Provide context
- Provide details
- Provide the starting point
- Give the tool a precise outcome request



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