What can I do with bots?

To name just a few things, you could use bots to:

**Get customized notifications and news.**A bot can act as a smart newspaper, sending you relevant content as soon as it's published.

**Integrate with other services.** A bot can enrich chats with content from external services like IMDB, Wiki, YouTube, GitHub, Foursquare....

**Create custom tools.** A bot may provide you with alerts, weather forecasts, translations, formatting or other services.

**Build single and multiplayer games.** A bot can play chess and checkers against you, act as host in quiz games, or even take up the dungeon master's dice for an RPG.

**Build social services**. A bot could connect people looking for conversation partners based on common interests or proximity.

**Do virtually anything else**. Except for time travel. They just can't do it. Yet!

In this course we're making a simple bot that can answer questions on your behalf and have a simple dialog with people.

I plan to add new content to the course. I'm open to your suggestions. If you want to know how to build a specific type of bot let me know. And if I like your suggestion I'll make it work.