

What Copilot Isn't

- X Not an autopilot
- X Not always right
- X Not a replacement for you
- Think of it as a junior pair programmer. You are still the pilot.



Core Features

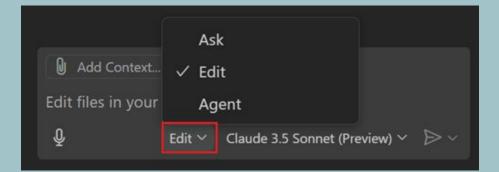
- You'll mostly use:
 - **Ghost text** (inline suggestions)
 - Copilot Chat (ask & learn)
 - Edit Mode (refactor + improve)
 - * Agent Mode = advanced. Skip for now.

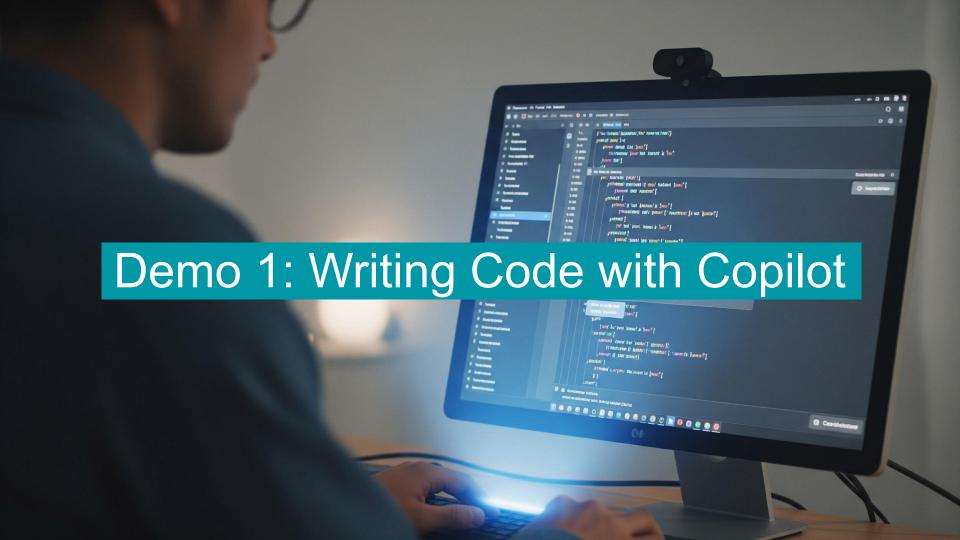
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Js test.js 1 •

Js test.js > ② calculateDaysBetweenDates

1    function calculateDaysBetweenDates(begin, end) {
        var beginDate = new Date(begin);
        var endDate = new Date(end);
        var days = Math.round((endDate - beginDate) / (1000 * 60 * 60 * 24));
        return days;
    }

2
```





When to Use Copilot

Good for:

- SCSS mixins
- Utility JS functions
- PHP docblocks
- Repetitive patterns

Avoid for:

- Critical security
- Business logic
- Anything you don't understand



How Copilot Helps You Learn

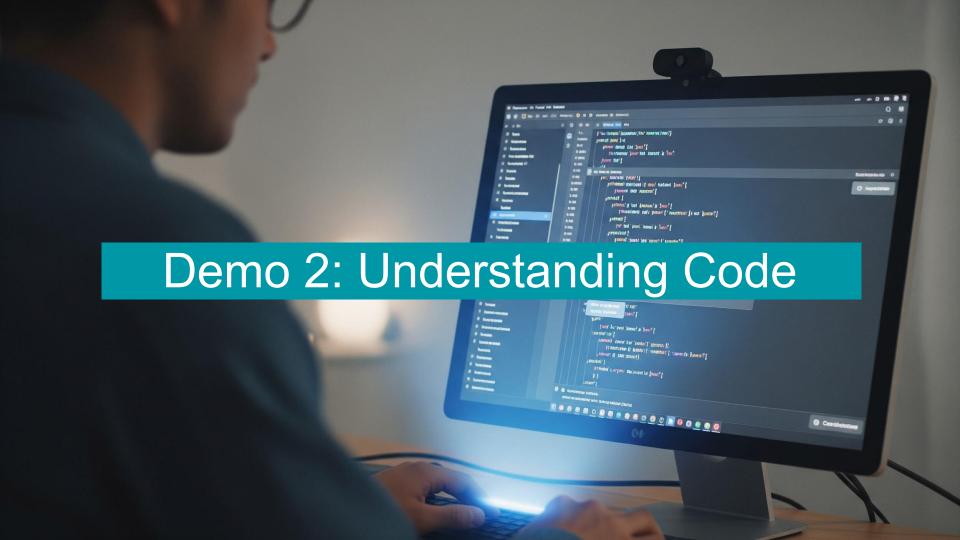
Ask it: "Explain this code."

Ask it: "Add comments."

Ask it: "Write a unit test for this."

Use it like a coding tutor.





Prompting Tips

Bad:

Fix this

Better:

Refactor this JS to use map() instead of for loop and handle nulls

Prompt recipe:

- Be specific
- Give context
- Tell it what success looks like





Golden Rule

- Review. Understand. Own.
 - Never commit code you don't understand
 - Ask: "Can I explain this to someone else?"
 - If not: don't trust it yet



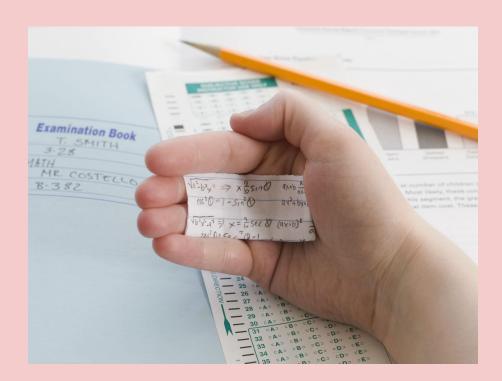
Responsible Use

- Copilot is trained on public code.
 - It might suggest insecure code
 - It might repeat GPL code
 - ✓ Always treat it like a 3rd-party snippet



Quick Cheat Sheet

- Tab = Accept
- Alt +] = Next suggestion
- Ctrl + I = Inline Chat
- /explain, /tests, /doc = useful slash commands



Wrap Up & Q&A

- Copilot helps you move faster
- But growth comes from critical thinking
- Start slow, learn to prompt, always stay curious

