

# Prompt Engineering Reference Guide

## 1. Create an Identity (who)

*"I want you to act as..."*

Doctor  
Teacher  
Chatbot  
Comedian  
Academic  
Recruiter  
Historian  
Translator  
Advertiser  
Journalist  
Interviewer  
Storyteller  
Travel guide  
Math teacher  
UI Developer  
-Technical Writer  
-Investment Manager  
-[A specific person, real or fictional]  
-[A person in a specific position, like CEO]

## 2. Define a Clear Task (what)

*Use action verbs!*

Analyze  
Explain  
Describe  
Write  
Argue  
Brainstorm  
Change  
Include  
List  
Outline  
Propose  
Critique  
Defend  
Reword  
Rewrite  
Suggest  
Summarize  
Translate

## 3. Provide Context (why and how)

### **Background info**

- Who is the audience?
- What goal should the output achieve?
- Company brand statement.

### **Response instructions**

- What structure do I want?
- What parts do I want excluded?
- What level of depth should be analyzed?

### **Common Structures**

- Bullets
- Table
- Dialogue
- Pros / cons
- [Custom Structure]

## 4. Specify the Output Style

### **Tone**

Professional  
Playful  
Conversational  
Humorous  
Empathetic  
Concise  
Academic  
Creative  
-Write your response in style of [person]

### **Temperature**

Controls the randomness of the response. 1 is most random and 0 is least random.

### **Presence Penalty**

Controls the repetitiveness of the response. A higher presence penalty will encourage the model to generate less common words and phrases.

