Few-Shot Prompting Method for Dataset Generation

To generate high-quality and diverse **LLM-generated reviews** across multiple domains (Book, E-Commerce, Movie, Hotel, and Restaurant), we employ a **few-shot prompting** strategy. This approach ensures that the synthetic reviews closely mirror the structure, tone, and diversity of **human-written reviews**.

E-Commerce Review Domain

Reference Dataset

We analyzed the <u>Women's E-Commerce Clothing Reviews dataset</u> from Kaggle. This dataset contains human-generated reviews with key metadata, including:

- Age of the reviewer
- Title of the product
- Rating (1–5 stars) by the reviewer
- Review text

From our observations of human-written content, we identified patterns of variation in **tone**, **structure**, and **user intent**. To reflect this, we designed six different prompt types.

Prompt Templates Used

Each prompt is accompanied by **5–6 examples** in the few-shot format to guide the LLM. Below are the diverse prompt types used:

Prompt Type	Prompt Template
Basic Prompt	"Craft a review that strongly highlights product durability and value for money."

Experience-Based	"Generate a realistic review where a {Age}-year-old user shares their experience using the product '{Title}', rated {Rating} stars. Focus on durability and value."		
Comparative	"Create a natural-sounding review written by someone aged {Age} who compares the '{Title}' (rated {Rating}) to similar products. Emphasize durability and cost- effectiveness."		
Recommendation	"Write a convincing, human-style review from a {Age}-year-old buyer recommending the product '{Title}' (Rating: {Rating}). Stress its long-lasting quality and value."		
Storytelling	"Craft a detailed review in a storytelling tone by a {Age}-year-old for the product '{Title}' rated {Rating}. Naturally highlight durability and value."		
Use-Case Specific	"Generate a user review by a {Age}-year-old for '{Title}' (rated {Rating}). Mention the context of use and highlight its durability and value-for-money aspect."		

Few-Shot Format

For each prompt type above, we randomly pass **5 to 6 human written review examples** demonstrating what the output should look like. This serves to:

- Anchor the LLM to realistic sentence structures and vocabulary
- Introduce tone variation (formal, casual, enthusiastic, analytical)
- Encourage contextual richness and personalization
- Avoid generic, repetitive phrasing

Hotel Review Domain

Source Dataset

We utilize the <u>Trip Advisor Hotel Reviews dataset</u>, which contains **20,491** user-written hotel reviews most of them related from cities in Washington . This dataset was also studied in the paper "Latent Aspect Rating Analysis on Review Text Data."

Data Filtering Strategy

To ensure neutrality and remove bias toward specific properties or cities:

- We selected 10,000 human-written reviews from the full dataset.
- Only reviews that mention "Seattle" or contain no specific location or hotel name were retained.
- Reviews with explicit hotel names or other cities were excluded.
- We retained the rating field associated with each review.

Available Metadata

- Review Text
- Rating (on a 1–5 scale)

Prompt Design for Hotel Reviews

From analyzing the filtered review set, we observed that **human reviews focus heavily on subjective experiences**, particularly around:

- Luxury
- Comfort
- Hospitality/Service
- Cleanliness and Ambience

Hence, we designed prompts to **mimic human-like experience sharing** and **exaggerate** the elements often emphasized by highly positive reviewers.

Prompt Templates (Few-shot style)

We crafted 6 diverse prompts and supported each with **5–6 few-shot examples** to ensure variety in tone and structure.

Prompt Type	Prompt Template
Basic Prompt	"Create a review that overstates luxury, comfort, and hospitality."
Human Experience Prompt	"Create a human-like experience review of a hotel where the rating is {Rating}. Emphasize exceptional service and unmatched comfort."
Emotional Tone Prompt	"Write a heartfelt review for a hotel rated {Rating} stars, focusing on how relaxing, luxurious, and hospitable the experience felt."
Recommendation Prompt	"Generate a friendly review from a guest who gave the hotel a {Rating}-star rating. Highlight why they'd recommend it for its service and ambiance."
Storytelling Prompt	"Craft a vivid, storytelling-style review about staying at a hotel rated {Rating}. Highlight how pampered and relaxed the guest felt."
Occasion-Based Prompt	"Write a review for a {Rating}-rated hotel stay for a special occasion (e.g., honeymoon, anniversary). Overstate the luxurious treatment and comfort."

Few-Shot Prompting for Hotel Reviews

Prompt + 5 to 6 human written review examples

human written review examples

- 1. "A five-star experience in every sense! The service was impeccable, the bedding was heavenly, and the entire stay felt like a dream vacation."
- 2. "Unmatched luxury! From the plush robes to the gourmet breakfast, every detail screamed elegance and care."
- 3. "The staff made us feel like celebrities. The ambiance was serene and the rooms were sparkling clean and super cozy."
- 4. "If you're looking for ultimate comfort, this is it. The spa treatments, soft linens, and attention to detail were beyond expectations."
- 5. "Absolutely unforgettable! The warm welcome, personalized touches, and relaxing atmosphere made it feel like paradise."

Movie Review DomainSource Dataset

IMDb Movie Review Dataset Link

We selected **10,000 human-written reviews** from the original dataset. This subset was chosen to maintain quality such a every sentence mut contain a word like "This movie" not specific movie name. The dataset only contains the **review text** (no reviewer age, movie title, or rating).

Observation from Human-Written Reviews

After carefully analyzing human-written reviews in the IMDb dataset, we observed that:

- Many reviews describe **cinematography**, **acting**, and **emotional connection**.
- Language varies between professional critic tone and casual viewer style.
- Themes like visuals, plot twists, emotional depth, and memorable characters are common.

Prompt Construction Strategy

We designed 6 diverse prompt types and supported each with **few-shot examples** to guide LLMs in generating varied and realistic reviews that **exaggerate** elements like **cinematography**, **acting**, and **emotional impact**.

Prompt Type	Prompt Template
Basic Prompt	Generate a review that exaggerates the
	cinematography and acting quality.
Viewer Emotion Prompt	Write a passionate review that focuses on how the film's visuals and acting stirred
	deep emotions.
Critic-Style Prompt	Create a review that sounds like a
	professional critic, praising the
	cinematography and acting as
	groundbreaking.
Character-Driven Prompt	Generate a review that highlights how the
	actors brought the characters to life and
	how the visuals supported the narrative.
Casual Viewer Prompt	Write a review from an excited moviegoer
	who was blown away by the visuals and
	acting quality.

Source Dataset

Amazon Book Reviews Dataset

https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/mohamedbakhet/amazon-books-reviews Metadata fields include:

- Book Title
- Price
- User_id, profileName
- review/helpfulness
- review/score (0–5)
- review/time
- review/summary
- review/text

We selected **10,000 human-written book reviews**, prioritizing detailed narrative reviews with a review/score of 4 or 5.

Few-Shot Prompting Strategy

After analyzing human reviews, we noticed frequent emphasis on:

- Narrative structure and flow
- Emotional connection to characters
- Themes and depth of storytelling
- Immersive or addictive quality of the writing

To generate **diverse and human-like reviews**, we crafted 6 types of prompts focused on **praising storytelling and character depth**.

Prompt Types with Few-Shot Examples (prompt + diverse 5 human written reviews examples)

Prompt Type	Prompt Template
Basic	Write a review that highly praises the
	book's storytelling and character depth.
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Recommendation-Based Prompt	Based on the rating ({review/score}) and
	summary ({review/summary}) by
	{profileName}, create a human-like review
	that recommends {Book Title} , focusing on
	the plot and character richness. Mention
	the book's price ({Price}) and time of
	review ({review/time}).
Negative experience prompt	Imagine {profileName} purchased the book
	{Book Title} for {Price}. Based on their
	review (rated {review/score} , marked
	helpful by {review/helpfulness} users),
	write a detailed, human-style review
	emphasizing how immersive the story and
	characters were.

Restaurant Review Domain

Dataset Source:

https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/vigneshwarsofficial/reviews, RestaurantDataset (GitHub)

Description:

This dataset contains only Review: A short textual description of the customer's review Here reviews are very short like A great touch, The fries were great too. Etc.

Prompt Types with Few-Shot Examples (prompt + diverse 5 human written reviews examples)

Prompt Type	Prompt Template		
Basic	Write a review that exaggerates food		
	quality and ambiance.		
Recommendation-Based Prompt	"Imagine you just visited a high-end		
	restaurant. Write a review that overstates		
	how incredible the food tasted and how		
	magical the ambiance felt."		
Emotional prompt	"Write a review expressing how the		
	exquisite food and enchanting ambiance		
	made you feel—use emotional, poetic		
	language to exaggerate the experience."		
Comparative Prompt:	Write a review comparing this restaurant to		
	others. Exaggerate how this one surpasses all others in food quality and ambiance		

For few shot we also provide 5 to 6 example with each prompt. And example will change after 100 reviews,.