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ChatGPT will make you superhuman.

But only if you know how to use it correctly.

Here's a crash course on ChatGPT for beginners:

ChatGPT is the most powerful natural language AI ever created.

It can answer almost any question you might have.

You can now have a conversation and get exactly what you want.

Here's how:

1/ Prompts

Let's start with a simple prompt.

"What is the tallest mountain in the world?"

- Write your text
- Hit enter
- Get your output

Use the 'Regenerate response' button to get a new generation of the same prompt.

Use the thumb up/down button to report feedback.

ChatGPT



Examples

"Explain quantum computing in simple terms" →

"Got any creative ideas for a 10 year old's birthday?" →

"How do I make an HTTP request in Javascript?" →



Capabilities

Remembers what user said earlier in the conversation

Allows user to provide follow-up corrections

Trained to decline inappropriate requests



Limitations

May occasionally generate incorrect information

May occasionally produce harmful instructions or biased content

Limited knowledge of world and events after 2021

what is



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2/ Continuing conversations

You can continue conversations indefinitely.

It takes reference of what you said earlier and pulls that context into new responses.

"What was the name of the first climber of that mountain?"

It knows 'that mountain' is in fact 'Mount Everest'.



what is the tallest mountain in the world?



The tallest mountain in the world is Mount Everest. It is the highest peak on Earth, reaching an elevation of 29,029 feet (8,848 meters) above sea level. It is located in the Himalayas, on the border between Nepal and Tibet.



Regenerate response

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3/ Preferences

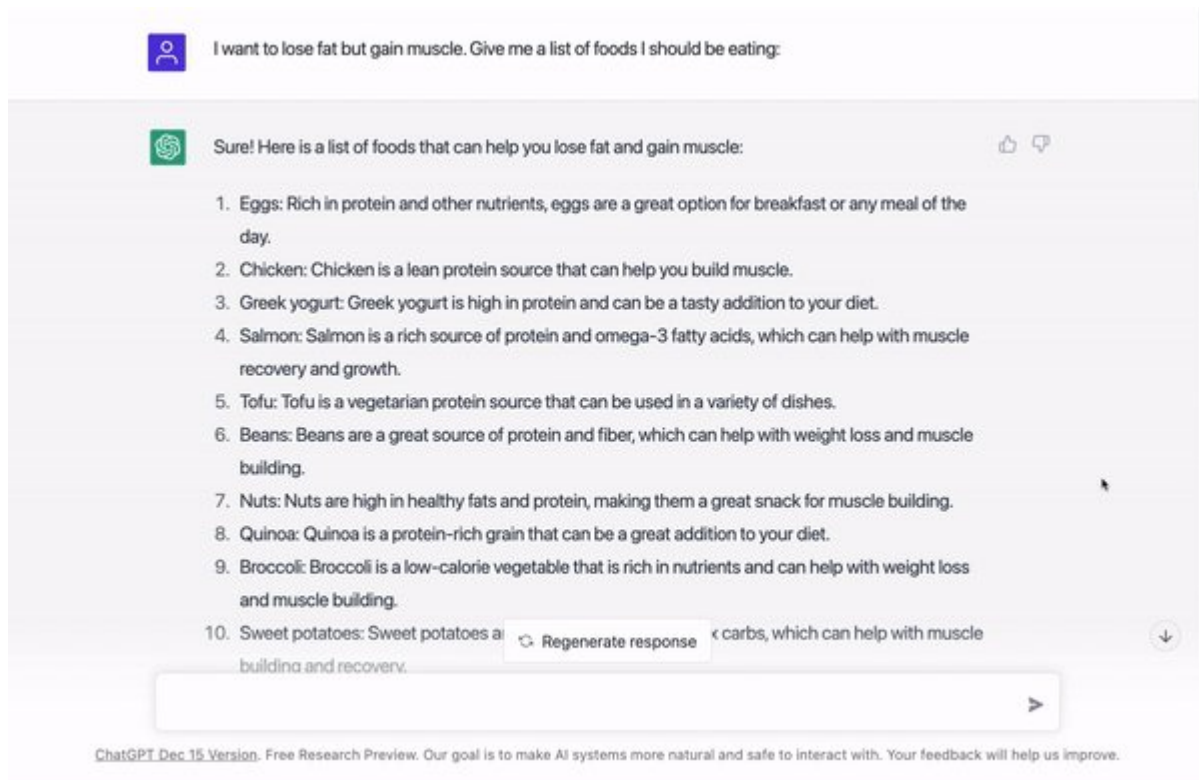
I want to lose fat but gain muscle.

But I don't know how.

I can ask ChatGPT to give me a list of foods I should be eating.

From this list, I can get a shopping list and cooking instructions.

You get a conversation based on the context of your past prompts.



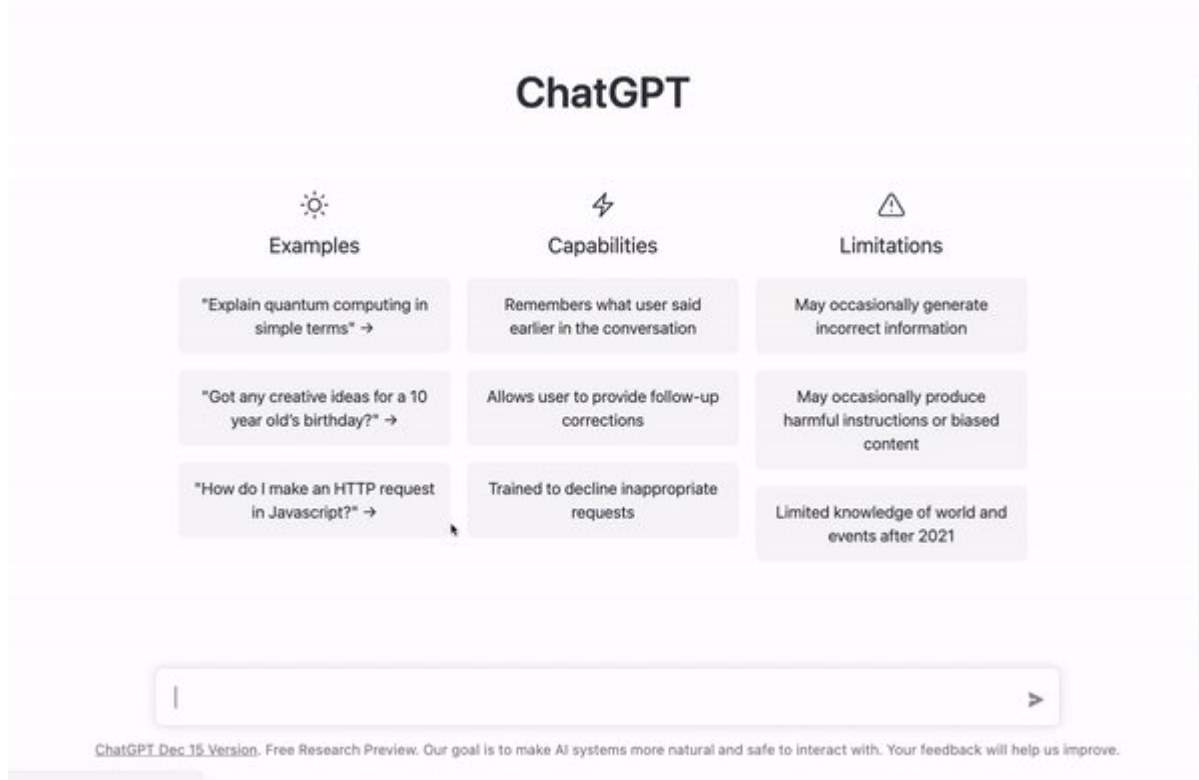
4/ Coding

Let's have a look at a more advanced example.

"How do I make a HTTP request in Javascript?"

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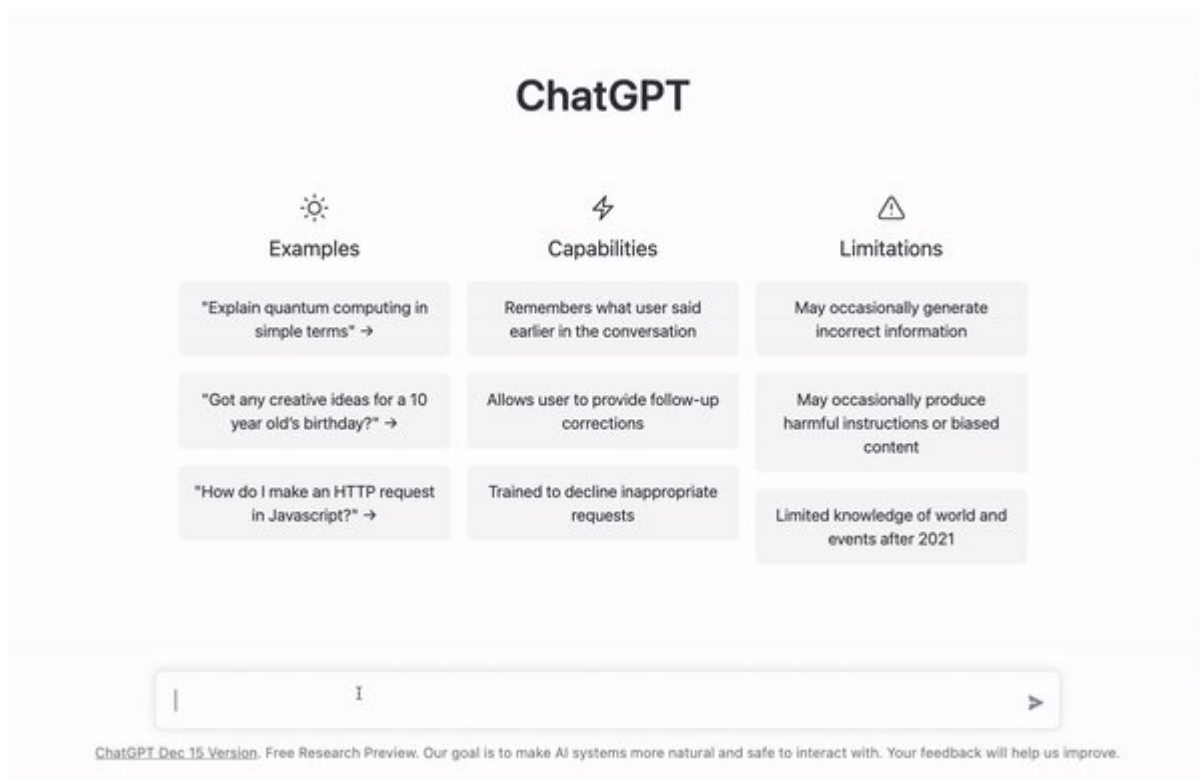
- Gives you context to what it's doing
- Gives you the code snippets
- Gives you a description of the code



5/ Generate legal templates

You can generate the structure for a privacy policy to your website.

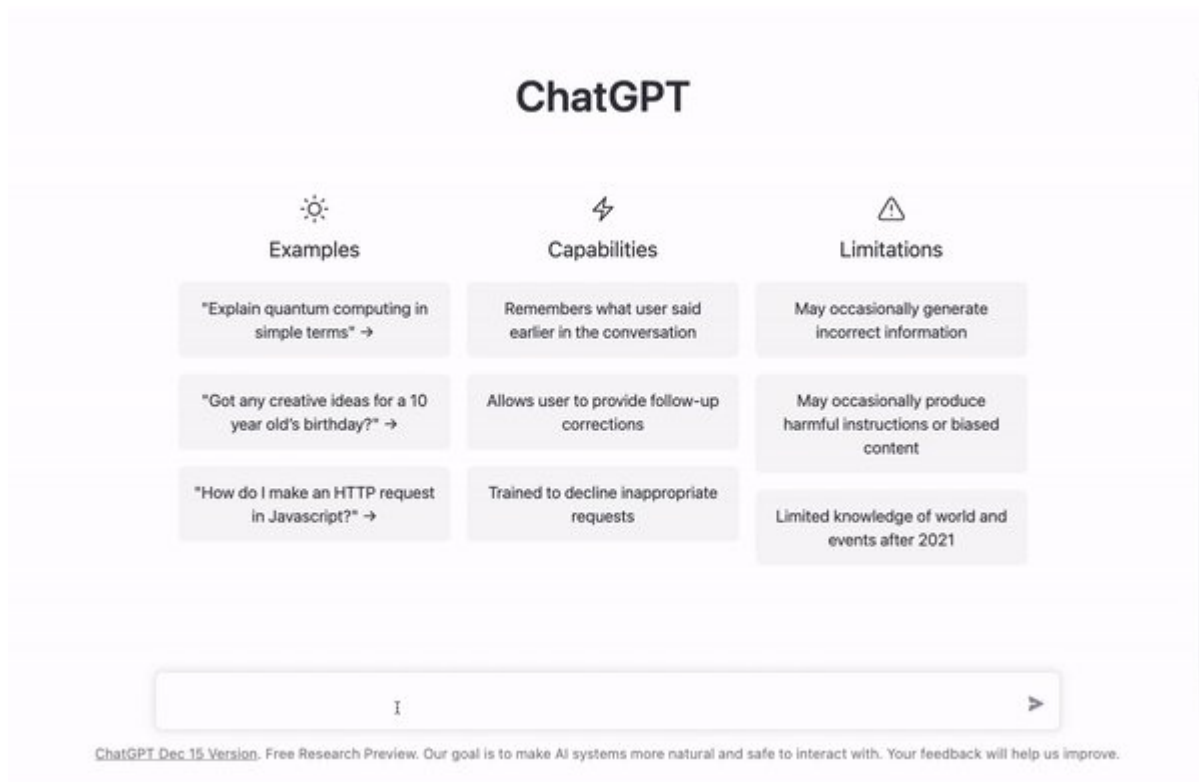
Whilst you might not use the document in its entirety, ChatGPT does the heavy lifting for you.



6/ Making tables

As well as code, ChatGPT has the ability to produce information as a table.

Let's find the tallest mountains in the world and their height.



7/ Limitations

ChatGPT finished training in early 2022.

This means it may not always produce accurate or appropriate responses.

My advice: Use ChatGPT as a tool with caution and critical thinking.

Let it spark your imagination and allow your creativity take flight.

I've found a lot of value using ChatGPT to summarise longer articles to use as inspiration for threads like these.

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