

Creating a Custom GPT

Prerequisites:

- You need a ChatGPT Plus or Enterprise subscription
- Access to the GPT Builder feature

Steps to Create:

1. Access GPT Builder

- Go to ChatGPT and click on your profile
- Select "My GPTs" from the dropdown menu
- Click "Create a GPT" button

2. Choose Creation Method

- **Create tab:** Use the conversational builder where you describe what you want
- **Configure tab:** Manual setup with detailed customization options

3. Basic Setup

- Give your GPT a name and description
- Upload a profile picture (optional but recommended)
- Write clear instructions about the GPT's purpose and behavior, or
- Use ChatGPT or Claude to generate the instructions for you, (i.e., you describe in a prompt what you're trying to achieve, then ask either platform to generate the instructions.) See 4 below.

4. Configure Instructions

- Define the GPT's role and personality
- Specify how it should respond to different types of queries
- Set any limitations or guidelines
- Include examples of desired interactions

5. Add Knowledge Base

- Upload relevant files (PDFs, text files, etc.)

- The GPT will use this information to provide more accurate responses
- Maximum file size limits apply (a CustomGPT prompt is limited to 1,600 characters).

6. Enable Capabilities

- Web browsing
- DALL-E image generation
- Code interpreter
- Choose based on your GPT's intended use

7. Set Privacy Settings

- Only me (private)
- Anyone with a link
- Public (listed in GPT store)

8. Test and Refine

- Test your GPT thoroughly
- Refine instructions based on performance
- Update knowledge base as needed

9. Publish

- Save your GPT
- Share the link or publish to the GPT store if desired

Best Practices:

- Write clear, specific instructions
 - Include the following in your prompt: ROLE, TASK, FORMAT, TONE, OBJECTIVE, RESTRICTIONS/LIMITATIONS (e.g., do not do the work for the student or only answer a Multiple Choice Question after the student submits their answer).
- Test with various scenarios
- Keep instructions concise but comprehensive
- Regular updates improve performance; remember, models change.