

The Ultimate GPT Codebook (55+ Prompt Shortcuts)



Generate Prompt

People online love to promise ‘secret codes’ for ChatGPT. Here’s the truth: there’s nothing secret about them. They’re just creative prompt styles you can use like shortcuts. This guide pulls them together in one place so you can focus less on guessing and more on creating.

Simplifiers

Code	What It Does	Example
/ELI5 or /ELI10	Explain [topic] like I'm age 5 or 10	/ELI10 taxes
/analogy	Explain [topic] with an analogy	/analogy taxes
/TL;DR	Summarize [topic]	/TL;DR taxes
/outline	Create an outline on [topic]	/outline taxes
/bulletpoints	Condense [topic] into bullet points	/bulletpoints taxes
/checklist	Creates a checklist on [topic]	/checklist taxes

Formatters

Code	What It Does	Example
/table	Compare [topic1 vs topic2] in a table format	/table taxes vs. death
/tweet	Write [topic] as a 280-character tweet (Twitter/X)	/tweet taxes
/listicle	Write [topic] in a [Top 10] list format.	/listicle taxes
/stepbystep	Show sequential steps on [topic]	/stepbystep How to make bread
/meme format	Create meme-style captions on [topic]	/meme format taxes
/script	Write a video script for [topic]	/script taxes
/dialogue	Written as 2 people talking about [topic]	/dialogue taxes
/FAQ	Make an FAQ about [topic]	/FAQ taxes
/pressrelease	Write a press release about [topic]	/pressrelease taxes

Roleplay & Personas

Code	What It Does	Example
/persona	Roleplay a character	/persona Steve Jobs
/expert	Write [topic] as an expert	/expert taxes
/human	Write about [topic] using a casual/natural tone	/human taxes
/story	Tell [topic] as a story	/story taxes
/teacher	Explain [topic] like a teacher	/teacher taxes
/lawyer	Explain [topic] like a Lawyer	/lawyer taxes
/doctor	Explain [topic] like a Doctor	/doctor taxes
/coach	Explain [topic] like a Coach	/coach taxes
/comedian	Explain [topic] like a Comedian	/comedian taxes

Marketing & Copywriting

Code	What It Does	Example
/hook	Create attention hooks about [topic]	/hook taxes
/framework	Write [topic] into steps or an acronym	/framework taxes
/PAS	Explain [topic] with the PAS copywriting formula	/PAS taxes
/FAB	Explain [topic] with the FAB copywriting formula	/FAB taxes
/BeforeAfterBridge	Explain [topic] like a teacher	/BeforeAfterBridge taxes
/QUEST	Explain [topic] using the QUEST sales framework	/QUEST taxes
/cta	A Call to Action for [topic or goal] using [style/context]	/cta taxes email
/headline	Give headline options for [topic]	/headline taxes
/caption	Write short, punchy captions about [topic] using [style]	/caption taxes urgent
/AIDA	Explain [topic] with the AIDA copywriting formula	/AIDA taxes
/4Ps	Explain [topic] with the 4P copywriting formula	/4P taxes

Tone/Style Shifters

Code	What It Does	Example
/rewrite	Rewrite [topic] in a [tone/voice/style]	/rewrite taxes genz
/roast	Writes harsh, critical, and funny things about [topic] [style]	/roast taxes meme
/descriptive	Explain [topic] in detail	/descriptive taxes
/command	Write about [topic] with [style]	/command taxes urgent
/formal	Explain [topic] in a professional, academic, or business [style]	/formal taxes legal
/casual	Explain [topic] in a friendly, everyday voice	/casual taxes genz
/motivational	Write [topic] as an inspiring pep talk	/motivational taxes
/sarcastic	Explain [topic] with dry humor, irony, or snark	/sarcastic taxes
/poetic	Express [topic] with rhythm, imagery, or lyrical flow	/poetic taxes hopeful

Engagement Boosters

Code	What It Does	Example
/quiz	Turn [topic] into a quiz format	/quiz taxes funny
/poll	Turn [topic] into an opinion-style poll	/poll taxes funny
/challenge	Turn [topic] into an action-based challenge	/challenge taxes
/hotTake	Creates a bold, contrarian opinion about [topic]	/hotTake taxes savage
/gamify	Transform [topic] into a challenge or game	/gamify taxes
/curiosity	Frame [topic] in a way that sparks intrigue	/curiosity taxes
/fillintheblank	Turns [topic] into a statement with blanks to fill in	/fillintheblank taxes

Creative/Novelty

Code	What It Does	Example
/haiku	Writes [topic] as a 3-line haiku	/haiku taxes
/songlyrics	Writes [topic] into song lyrics	/songlyrics taxes
/shakespeare	Writes [topic] in Shakespearean style	/shakespeare taxes
/pirate	Writes about [topic] in pirate slang	/pirate taxes
/emoji	Express [topic] using a mix of emojis and text	/emoji taxes

You've just explored the core set of ChatGPT's prompt codes with practical shortcuts that make it easier to shape tone, format, and creativity.

The next step? Start experimenting. Try a few, mix them into your workflow, and see how much faster (and more fun) your prompts become.

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