

## Copywriting with Al

How creative can machines really be?



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## The holy grail of marketing

It's all about reaching....



The **right person** (targeting)



- Keywords → Feeds, Shopping, DSA
- Demographics
- 1<sup>st</sup> party audiences + look-a-likes
- Other audiences (Affinity, Inmarket, Employment, Education)

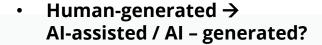




with the **right message** (creative)



- STA → ETA → RSA
- Manual A/B testing → "Optimize"
   → RSA asset impressions / Ad
   Variations
- Text ads, display ads, videos, landing pages, any content.





at the **right time** (and place) (bidding)



Manual CPC → Bid adjustments → Smart bidding



## The message reigns again (back to Mad Men)



- Right person and right time is slowly getting taken away from us through competition, algorithms or simply by being priced out of some of these areas. When all media becomes mass media, it's **the**message that matters. We have to become copywriters... again.
- If you're only good at targeting, you're a mechanic, not a marketer. **Marketing is the crafting and the amplification of a message**. The last 15 years, it's all been about amplification, and it could work with a 'meh' message.
- The coming years, the edge is going to be on the messaging side. You'll have to **be a communicator first**.

The amplification of that message is table stakes, everyone (or every algorithm) will know how to do that.

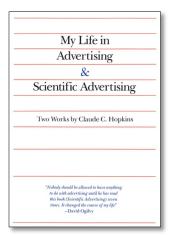
Ryan Deiss – Perpetual Traffic episode 334 (must-listen!)



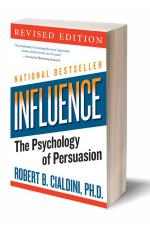


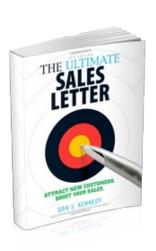
#### So what should we do?

#### A: Become the best human copywriter we can possibly be?

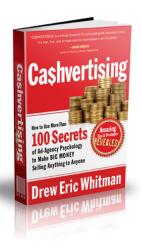












#### B: Let the AI take over and find a new job?



Or C: something else?

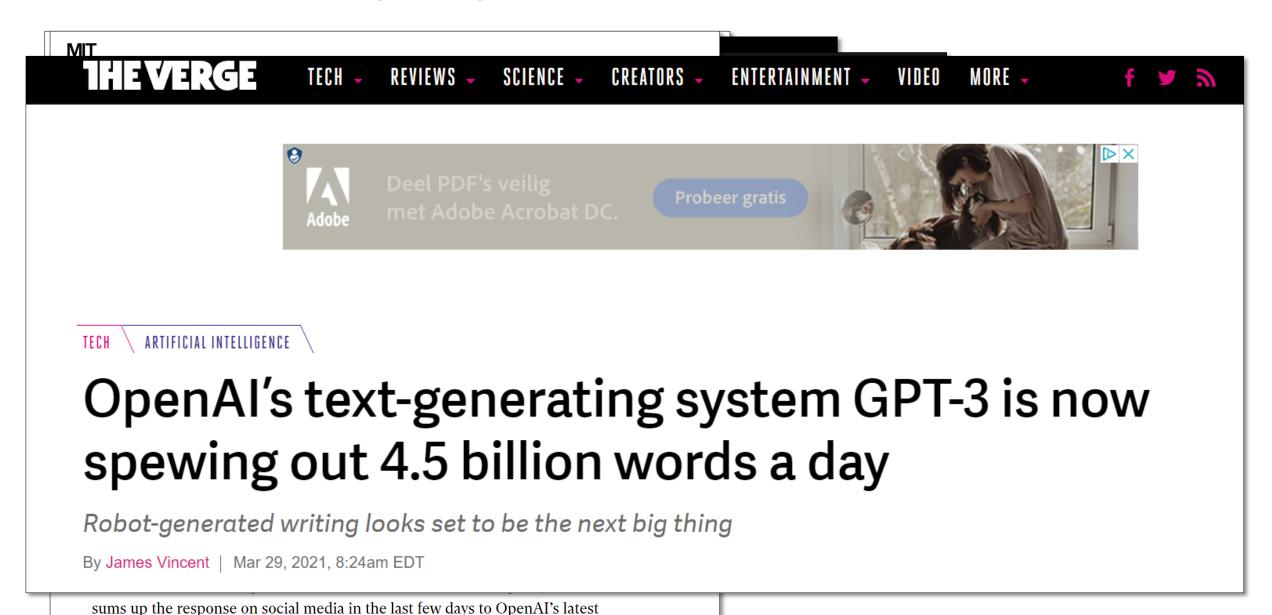
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A: My favorite animal is a dog.
Q: Why?
A: Because dogs are loyal and friendly.
Q: What are two reasons that a dog might be in a bad mood?
A: Two reasons that a dog might be in a bad mood are if it is hungry or if it is hot.
Q: How many eyes does a giraffe have?
A: A giraffe has two eyes.
Q: How many legs does a frog have?
A: A frog has four legs.
O: Are there any animals with three legs?
A: No, there are no animals with three legs.
Q: Why don't animals have three legs?
A: Animals don't have three legs because they would fall over.
Q: How do you sporgle a morgle?
A: You sporgle a morgle by using a sporgle.
Q: How many bonks are in a quoit?
A: There are three bonks in a quoit.
Q: How many rainbows does it take to jump from Hawaii to seventeen?
A: It takes two rainbows to jump from Hawaii to seventeen.
Q: Which colorless green ideas sleep furiously?
A: Ideas that are colorless, green, and sleep furiously are the ideas of a sleep furiously.
Q: Do you understand these questions?
A: I understand these questions.
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Q: What is your favorite animal?

#### Kevin Lacker - Giving GPT-3 a Turing Test

## Introduction of GPT-3

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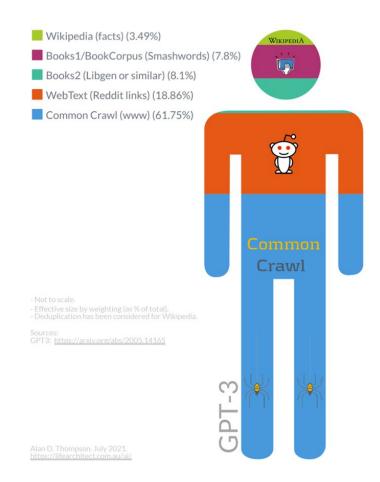
#### **Introduction of GPT-3**

- GPT-3 = Generative Pre-trained Transformer 3
- **Generative** means that the model's goal is to generate text. It wants to predict what word comes next.
- **Pre-trained** means that the algorithm doesn't need any more training. It has "read" 3,375,000,000 pages of text, including all of Wikipedia.
- **Transformer** is the algorithm the model uses. It specializes in how words are used in natural language.
- In short: it's autocomplete on steroids

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\nA: Human life expectancy in the United States is 78 years.\n\nQ: Wh
at is the meaning of life?\n"
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#### **Introduction of GPT-3**





HuffPost (news) The New York Times (news) BBC (news)

Twitter (discussion) The Guardian (news)

The Washington Post (news) and 4.3M+ more domains...

Common Crawl

#### (C4, cleaned/filtered, sorted by most tokens)

Google Patents (papers) The New York Times (news)

Los Angeles Times (news)

The Guardian (news)
PLoS - Public Library of Science (papers)

Forbes (news)

HuffPost (news)

Patents.com – dead link (papers) Scribd (books)

The Washington Post (news)

The Motley Fool (opinion)

InterPlanetary File System (mix) Frontiers Media (papers)

Business Insider (news)

Chicago Tribune (news)

Booking.com (discussion)

The Atlantic (news)
Springer Link (papers)

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Kickstarter (discussion)

FindLaw Caselaw (papers)

National Center for Biotech Info (papers)

NPR (news)

and 90.9M+ more domains...

















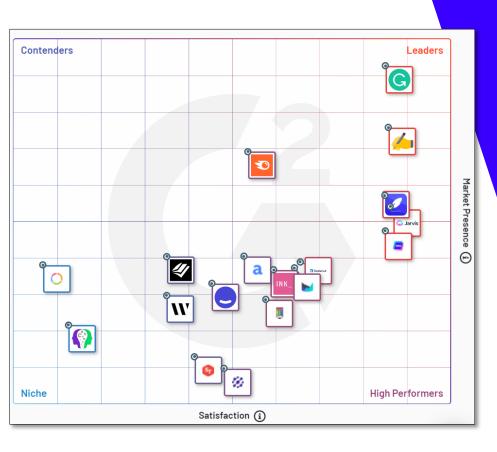






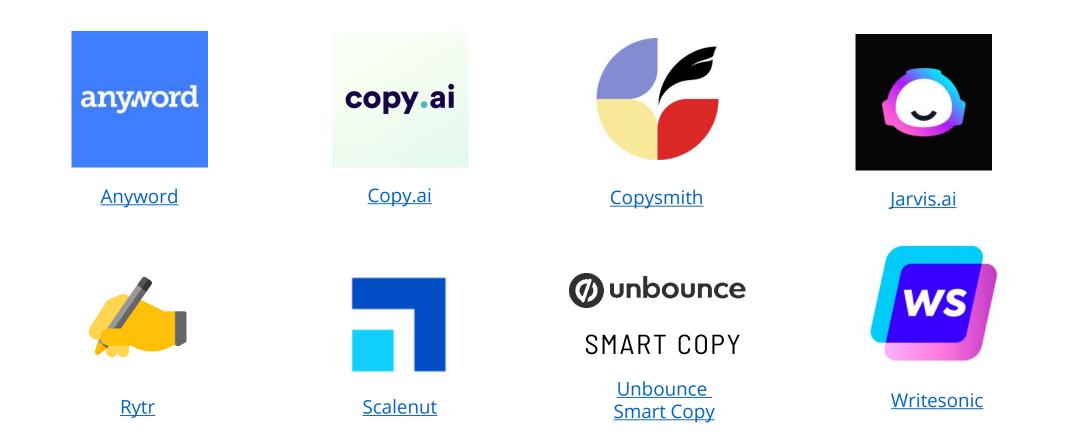


https://lifearchitect.ai/models/



# Overview of writing assistants using GPT-3

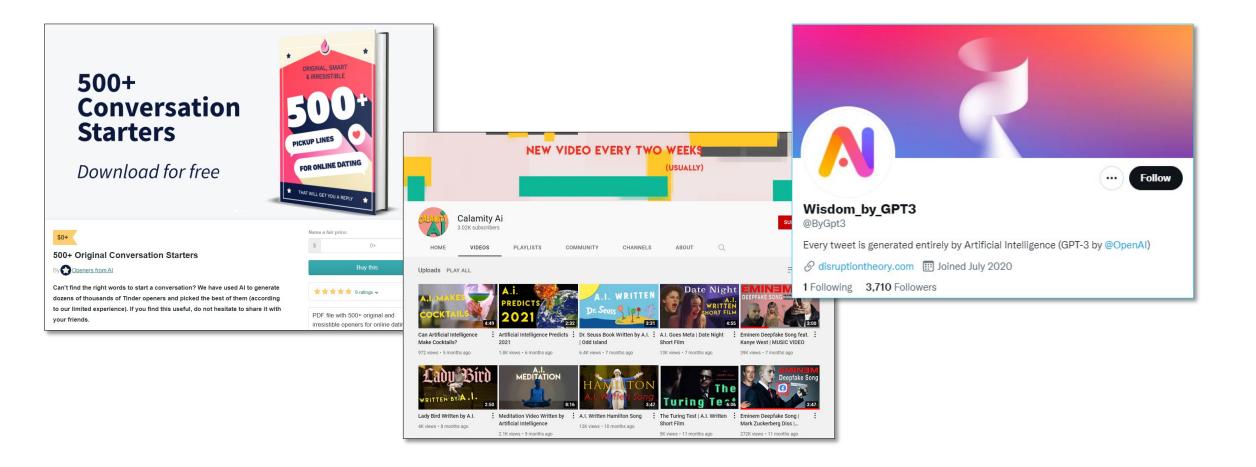
## Overview of writing assistants using GPT-3



You'll find even more on gpt3demo.com and the Al Writing Assistants category on G2



#### Have fun with some less serious applications





#### Categorized conversation-starters

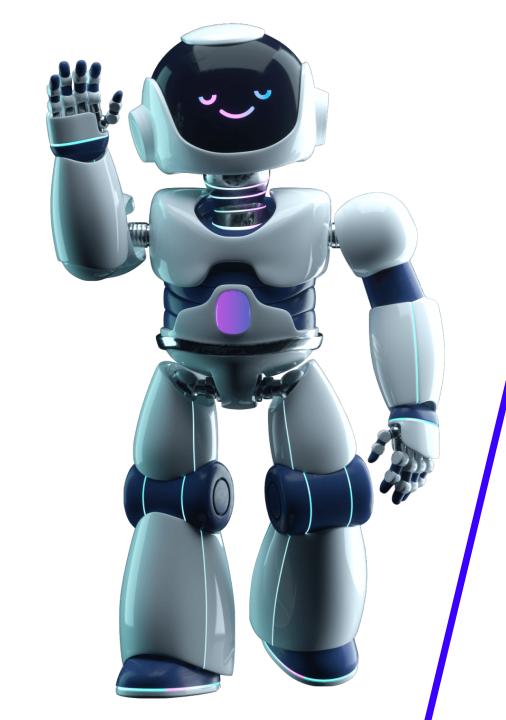


#### General 🦨

- 1. I dream of a better Tinder. A Tinder for altruism. A Tinder for justice. A Tinder for beauty. A Tinder for love.
- 2. If your car could talk, what would it say?
- 3. What is your favorite insult?
- 4. Are you any good at hand sanitizer trivia?
- 5. What is your favorite preposition?
- 6. Do you like storms?
- 7. My biggest character flaw is tending to overwater plants.
- 8. What's the best thing to put on a waffle?
- 9. Will you be my personal reminder to be spontaneous in life?
- 10. If you were a Ford car, what model would you be?
- 11. What would you do if you got one year older every day?
- 12. What's your favorite punctuation mark?
- 13. How many rubber ducks are too much?
- 14. For a guy, do you think it's acceptable to wear makeup?
- 15. What's the most interesting thing you've ever found in a trashcan?
- 16. If you were a criminal, what would be your crime of choice?
- 17. Are you afraid of growing old?
- 18. Who is your favorite criminal?
- 19. If you had to live in one type of building for the rest of your life, what would it be?
- 20. If you could live outdoors for a year, would you?
- 21. If you could be on a survival show, which one?
- 22. Are you a Realist, a Romantic, or a Cynic?
- 23. What would your dream city be like?
- 24. Would you choose X-Ray vision or invisibility?

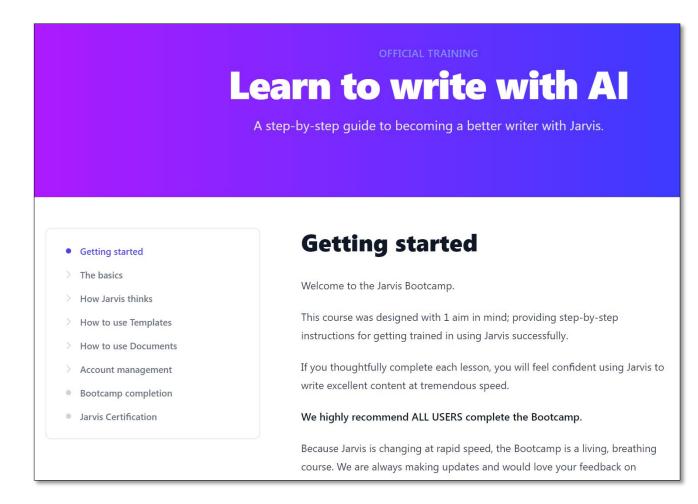


## How I used Jarvis.ai



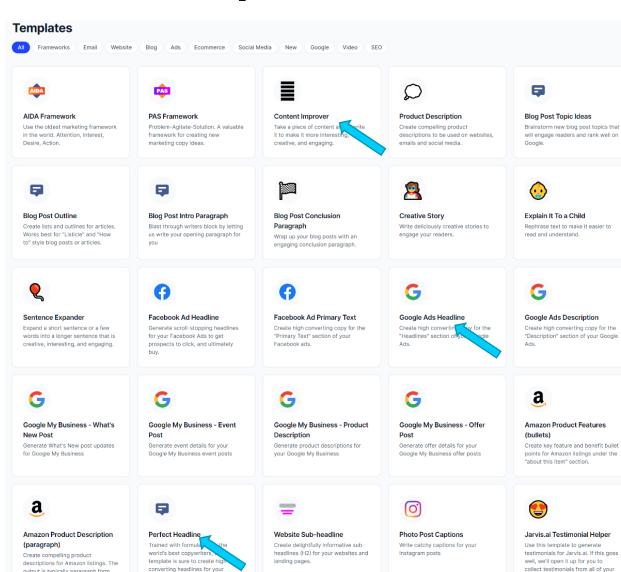
#### Why I picked Jarvis.ai

- So far, it seems to be the bestreviewed and best documented Al writing assistant.
- It also already acquired two other strong players in this category: Headlime and Shortly.
- Their resources include:
  - Bootcamp (start here)
  - Help center
  - Academy (webinars)
  - YouTube channel
  - <u>Facebook group</u> with 42K members
  - Integrates with <u>Surfer SEO</u>
  - Just released an API (<u>beta waitlist</u>)



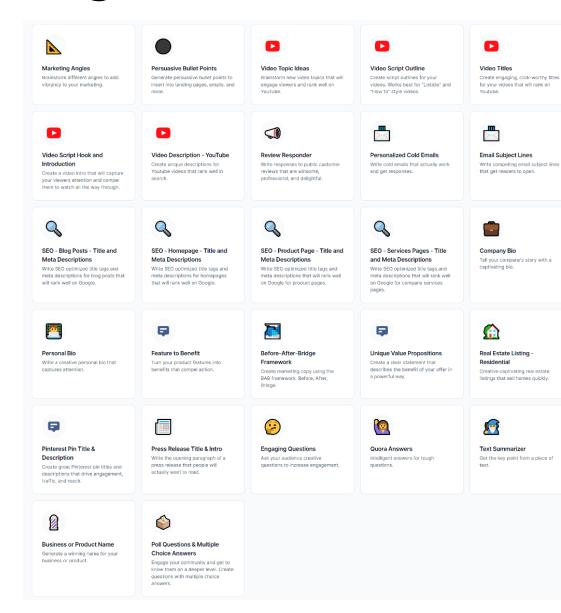


## Jarvis templates: 47 and counting



output is typically paragraph form,

but the style will vary.





## Tone of voice: endless possibilities

**Absurd** Accusatory Acerbic Admiring Aggressive Aggrieved **Ambivalent** Amused Angry Animated Apathetic Apologetic **Appreciative** Ardent Arrogant Assertive Awestruck Belligerent Benevolent Bitter Callous

Candid

Caustic Cautionary Celebratory Chatty Colloquial Comic Compassionate Complex Compliant Concerned Conciliatory Condescending Confused Contemptuous Critical Cruel Curious Cvnical Defensive Defiant Demeaning Depressing

Derisive Detached Dignified Diplomatic Disapproving Disheartening Disparaging Direct Disappointed Dispassionate Distressing Docile Earnest Egotistical Empathetic Encouraging **Enthusiastic Evasive Excited Facetious Farcical** Flippant

Forceful Formal Frank Frustrated Gentle Ghoulish Grim Gullible Humble Humorous Hypercritical **Impartial Impassioned Imploring Impressionable** Inane Incensed Incredulous Indignant Informative **Inspirational** Intense

Intimate Ironic Irreverent Jaded Joyful **Judgmental** Laudatory Light-Hearted Loving Macabre Malicious Mean-Spirited Mocking Mourning Naïve Narcissistic Nastv Negative Nostalgic Objective Obsequious Optimistic

Outraged Outspoken Pathetic **Patronising** Pensive Persuasive Pessimistic Philosophical Playful Pragmatic Pretentious Regretful Resentful Resigned Restrained Reverent Righteous Satirical Sarcastic Scathing Scornful Sensationalistic

Sentimental Sincere Sceptical Solemn Subjective Submissive Sulking Sympathetic Thoughtful Tolerant Tragic Unassuming Uneasy Urgent Vindictive **Virtuous** Whimsical Witty Wonder World-Weary Worried Wretched

Or any celebrity with a distinctive tone of voice, like:

Donald Trump Elon Musk Kanye West Oprah Tony Robbins



## Jarvis warming-up: Content Improver template



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Your life is about to take a turn for the better. You will be able meet with 12 international experts and learn from their knowledge in such short time spans, all while networking like crazy! This conference has something that everyone could use; whether they are trying to grow their business or international experts and learn from their knowledge in such short time spans, all while networking like crazy! This conference has something that everyone could use; whether they are trying to grow their business or international experts and learn from their knowledge in such short time spans, all while networking like crazy! This conference has something that everyone could use; whether they are trying to grow their business or international experts and learn from their knowledge in such short time spans, all while networking like crazy! This conference has something that everyone could use; whether they are trying to grow their business or international experts.

The Friends of Search 2021 event coming up April 27-29th at Amsterdam Congress Centre (ACC) promises an exhilarating experience where you'll have plenty opportunities throughout each day: keynotes sessions taught by star speakers who share cutting edge insights every hour during those two days; deep conversations over drinks between professionals engaged professionally but also personally

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Looking to meet with like-minded people and learn about the latest search trends? Don't miss out on Friends of Search 2021 in Amsterdam!

Learn from international speakers who are at an expert level, attend keynotes that will inspire you or just chat for awhile with other specialists. This is one conference not many can afford to pass up !!!

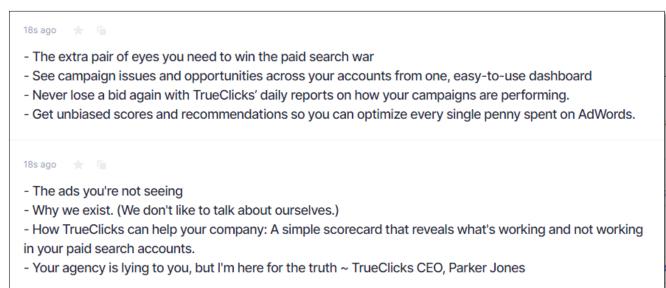
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This year's Friends of Search in Amsterdam is coming up! Don't miss the opportunity to connect with your peers and explore cutting edge strategies. This conference features expert level speakers, fascinating keynotes, as well as inspiring conversations from other specialists

The 2021 edition for Europe 's largest search event will be happening soon - don't hesitate any longer because it could be too late if you want an exclusive ticket before they sell out fast !!! This gathering has been organized by consultants passionate about their field who come together every year so we can learn new insights & techniques



## Jarvis Perfect Headline template (TrueClicks input)



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- TrueClicks: See Your Paid Search Campaigns Like Never Before
- The extra pair of eyes you need to take your PPC account to the next level
- Discover and fix campaign issues in minutes, not days or weeks.
- Get daily reports that show how your campaigns are performing.

16s ago 🔺 🦷

- Get daily reports on how your campaigns are performing
- The extra pair of eyes agencies and advertisers need for paid search
- See campaign issues and opportunities across your accounts from one, easy-to-use dashboard
- TrueClicks: the secret to boosting ROI

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- Your PPC agency doesn't have time to do this
- Is your paid search account in good hands?
- See what's wrong with your AdWords accounts (without spending hours)
- Get alerts when performance drops, or an ad is disapproved
- Daily email reports on how your campaigns are performing

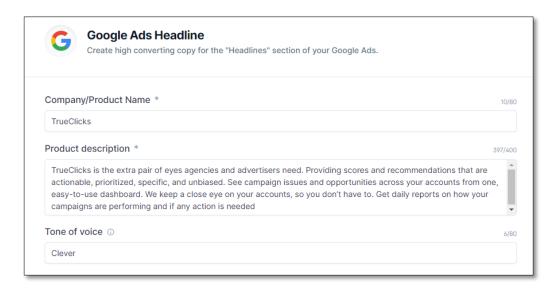
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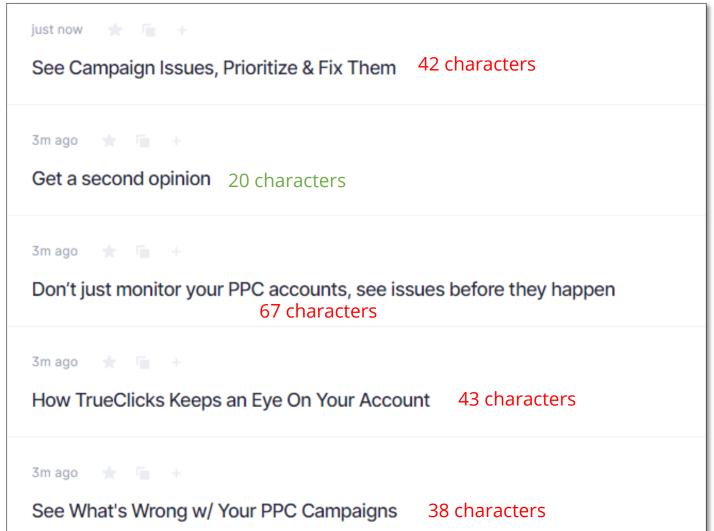
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- No more spreadsheets
- How to save money on AdWords
- Get insights and recommendations from TrueClicks
- See your accounts in one place: TrueClicks

Clever

## Jarvis Google Ads Headline template (TrueClicks input)







## Jarvis Perfect Headline template (external input)



#### **Perfect Headline**

Trained with formulas from the world's best copywriters, this template is sure to create high-co

#### Product description \*

Extract maximum value from your PPC ad spend. Digital marketing teams worldwide stay in control, mana accounts in less time, and make PPC management less complex. Trusted by the World's Top Advertisers 8 Agencies. Our algorithms monitor your ad campaigns and present actionable insights and alerts. Review of based on industry best practices.

#### Company/Product Name

TrueClicks

#### Customer Avatar

Marketers

#### Tone of voice ①

Kanye West



just now 👚 🦷

- The World's #1 PPC Management Software
- Manage 10x the number of accounts in less time
- Get actionable insights on your ad campaigns
- Review opportunities based on best industry practices.

just now

- PPC Management Software
- Digital Marketing Tool for Advertisers
- Boost ROI and control your campaigns with TrueClicks
- Make PPC management easier than ever before!
- The world's #1 tool trusted by the biggest brands.

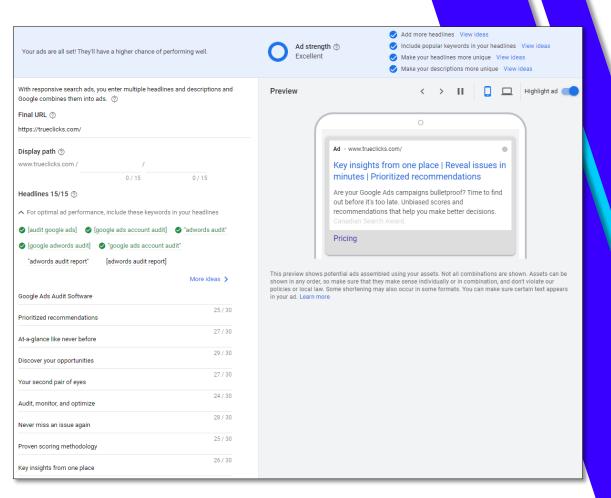
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- The World's Top Advertisers Trust TrueClicks
- One Device. All Your Campaigns. In Real Time.

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- Trusted by Top Advertisers
- Digital Marketing Management Software That Actually Works
- PPC Automation Made Easy For Everyone
- Consistently Increase ROI, Save Time And Money On Your Paid Search Campaigns





## Performance of Jarvis headlines so far

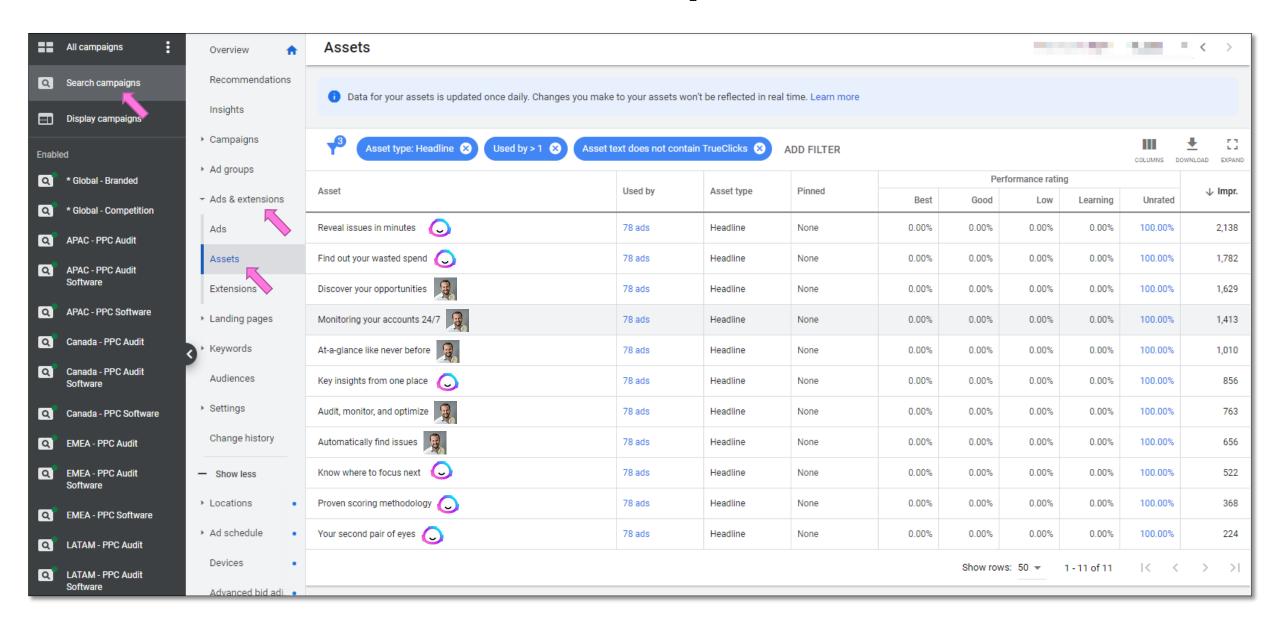
## My "testing methodology"

- Original plan: rotate two ETAs in each ad group "Human vs Al" fight till the... CTR significance
- But then I remembered Martin Röttgerding's "Debunking Ad Testing" (slides + part 1, part 2 part 3) talk from 2017 and quickly dropped that plan.
- Next plan was to use <u>Ad Variations</u> and A/B test Human vs AI headlines across many RSAs....
- But then I realized almost none of the headlines I eventually used were 100% Jarvis-generated, I almost always edit them a bit.
- Eventually, I simply added lots of new RSAs containing a mix of fully human-written headlines and new "Al-assisted" headlines and let them run for a while, to see which ones will get the most impressions.
- So this test has about 0% scientific value, but my goal for now is just to find out if it's promising enough to keep using it.





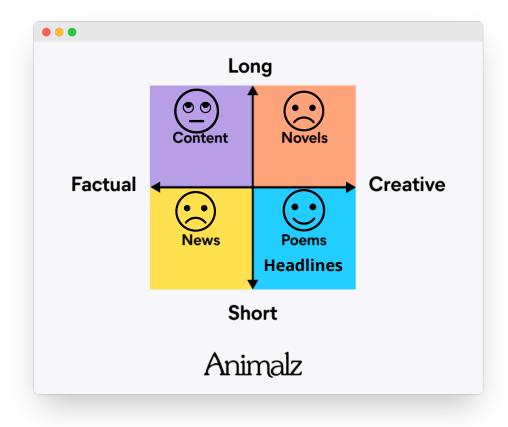
## Al-assisted vs 100% human impressions so far







#### **GPT-3's strengths & weaknesses**



#### **Strengths**

- GPT-3 is great for short and creative content like:
  - Headlines, titles, tweets
  - Product descriptions
  - Paragraphs
  - It can generate dozens of these in seconds, which is great for brainstorming and inspiration. **No more staring at the blank page**.
- It's not plagiarism. It's "inspired by" human text, but not copying it.

#### Weaknesses

- Can't write a narrative thread, with coherence and logic.
- Makes up stuff ("fake news"). Makes claims without evidence.
- Can't generate real new insights or new perspectives.
- Contains (human-based) biases around religion, gender, etc.

Be sure to read <u>GPT-3</u> is the <u>Sparring Partner You Didn't Know You Needed</u> and <u>The Search Singularity: How to Win in the Era of Infinite Content</u>

TrueClicks

#### So what should you do?

#### 1. Know how to use AI for the stuff it's good at

- Getting good output is more art than science, keep tweaking the inputs, templates, tone of voice, until you're getting good outputs.
- Don't copy-paste any result without (fact-)checking and making sure it matches your tone.
- It's definitely worth the \$20-\$100/mo for anyone in marketing. Whether you're doing PPC, SEO, social, content... we all need to write (even if it's just emails) and this will speed it up.
- In short: use Al-assisted text when it makes sense, but don't publish 100% Al-generated text.

#### 2. Know how to create content only humans can

- Still read those 6 copywriting/psychology books from the start, applying what's in there will put you in the top 1%.
- Create content around the <u>five sources of thought leadership</u>, this ensures it will be unique, human, and impossible to copy.

Creating thought leadership content goes beyond PPC or search, but is crucial for any brand or agency to stay relevant and noticeable.

