

Storybook

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Google's Gemini has a new, fast-fun feature, Storybook, which creates 10-page personalized, illustrated storybooks to print or share digitally. While I certainly don't recommend using AI for creating published works, and I would never use AI to write my books, as that would suck all the fun and satisfaction out of writing, Storybook has many legitimate uses and is a great tool.

- Create an illustrated story for your classroom to explain a concept.
- Create a story around your child's drawing.
- Create a record of a family memory.
- Create a story to deliver a personalized message to a child.
- Use it for inspiration or ideas if a child has writer's block.

Tell Gemini to "create a story", give it a text prompt, and in a minute or less, you will have a 10-page, fully illustrated storybook. If you wish, you can upload images or PDFs for the program to use, and you can specify the style for the illustrations. You have the option to edit the story or ask Gemini to make specific changes or start over. The results are surprisingly good, although they won't win any Caldecott medals or awards for originality. The process is straightforward and takes very little time, so play around with it just for fun.

The following link is a story AI made for a neighbor who wanted to record a family memory about an ancestor. <https://g.co/gemini/share/9390a142d638>

This next link is to a story with a message. <https://g.co/gemini/share/230723f8a1cf>

This story was made with a two-sentence prompt.

<https://g.co/gemini/share/de9f9d734d77>

This last link is to a YouTube video with instructions and examples

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CdRv9oRJdGw>

Have fun with Gemini Storybook!