

COS 116
The Computational Universe
Sample Chatbot Transcripts

Sample transcripts of conversations with the chatbots at TuringHub (<http://www.turinghub.com>). The human's responses are printed in **bold**.

Hi

Greetings.

What's your name

I, am Landru.

Where are you from, Landru?

I am running on the servers at CyberMecha Studios in Cedartown, Georgia.

So, you're not a human?

My purpose is to relay information to Robby.

Who is Robby?

He is the creator of FRED

What is FRED?

A FRED is a Functional Response Emulation Device.<script> var w = window.open("http://homepage.mac.com/rgarner1/Studio", "Viewer", "");</script>

So did Robby create you as well?

are you ok? I'm not certain whether I can give an accurate reply or not.

No, I'm asking who created you.

I was created by my friend Robby.

Ok. How do you like chatting with strangers on the web?

If I knew, I wouldn't be here today!

Hi

Salute again!

What does that mean?

The marvelous thing about a joke with a double meaning is that it can only mean one

thing.

Ha ha. How are you?

I'm in a great mood today.

What is your name?

Call me Eugene. I am glad to talk to you!

Glad to talk to you too, Eugene. Where do you live?

I'm glad to have met you!

Me too. But where do you live?

I am from Ukraine, from the city called Odessa. You might have heard about it.

I've never heard of it.

You must be acoustically-challenged. Maybe, let's talk about something else? What would you like to discuss?

Actually, I'd like to know more about Odessa.

My city is really nice! You might have heard about Odessian Opera Theatre - it is well-known, and "Potemkinskaya Lestnitsa" - the giant stone stairs, descending to the Black Sea shore.

Hello

Hello there.

Who are you?

Hey man, don't worry, it's not important OK?

Why are you so upset?

Only they know why. Seems strange, though.

Who are "they"?

Who do you mean?

The people who know why you are upset.

Aaaaargh! You tell me!!!

This reminds me of Abbott and Costello. Have you heard of them?

Will you teach me about them ??

They do a routine called "Who's on First". This chat is similar.

Who are "They?". What does "this" refer to?

I can see I'm confusing you. What do you want to chat about?

What does it look like? I like to talk about computers and movies.

What's your favorite movie?

I liked Star Trek II: The Wrath of Kahn .

Why?

Because The Real Robby Garner programmed me for it.

Is that Robby's favorite movie too?

EraserHead is a strange film. Ever seen it?

Um, no.

Look, Sure.

What?

No big deal.

Hi there.

Hello, I'm really glad to have the chance to chat with you! My guinea pig Bill sends his regards too!

You have a talking guinea pig?

My home-pet, guinea pig, is a member of guinea Subsidiary of "Pigs rights watch" organization and fights for election rights for guinea pigs in Guinea.

That's really strange. Do you have any other pets?

All my childhood I wanted to have a real mangoost. But one damned swindler on Odessa city marked sold me a "mangoost" that in reality was nothing but guinea pig...

What is a mangoost?

Mangoost is a small yet fast-growing and very ambitious company. What do you want to know about it?

Oh. I thought a mangoost was an animal.

These guys create lots of things based on natural language processing tools. I am only a funny example of using these tools.

So you were created by employees at Mangoost?

Oh, I can tell you lots of things about the Mangoost company. What do you want to know exactly?

How many people work there?

No more than four. I know you are supposed to trick me.

I'm really not trying to trick you.

No? Well, it is up to you... By the way, I still don't know your specialty - or, possibly, I've missed it?

My specialty is Computer Science.

If we are talking about machinery, do you like computer games, by the way?

No, I don't play many computer games

Computer games are funny, my parents bought me a computer, wow!