



Google's AI Can Now Locate Nearby Products in Stock

Description

Google has introduced new features to enhance summer travel planning, leveraging its advanced artificial intelligence (AI). The tech company announced on Friday that its AI Mode can now assist users in determining the availability of specific items at local stores and allow tracking of individual hotel prices directly via Google Search.

With the latest AI Mode update, Google can contact nearby stores on behalf of users to find particular items. This feature initially launched in Google Search last November and is now expanding to AI Mode across the United States in the upcoming weeks.

Users can specify their needs, such as asking where to find clip-on polarized sunglasses if they forgot their prescription pair. Google will then gather the relevant information and send the results to the user.

While hotel price tracking was already available at a city level, the new update allows users to monitor prices for specific hotels of interest. On desktop, users can search for a hotel by name and activate a new price-tracking feature. On mobile, the option appears under the "Prices" tab after entering a search. Once activated, users will receive email alerts regarding any price changes for their selected dates.

Google's announcement revealed that popular travel destinations for summer 2026 include St. Maarten, Stockholm, Kansas City, Missouri, and Sarasota, Florida. Additionally, it noted a significant rise in searches for terms like "AI travel assistant" and "AI concierge," which have increased by 350% within the past year. Interest in queries about using AI to discover flight deals has also surged, with "AI flight booking" witnessing a growth of 315%.

As the features roll out, Google aims to streamline the travel planning process, meeting rising demand for AI-assisted services in the travel industry.

Vocabulary List:

1. **leveraging** //ˈlɛvərɪdʒɪŋ// (verb): using something to get an advantage
2. **availability** //əˌveɪləbɪˈlɪti// (noun): whether something can be bought or used
3. **tracking** //ˈtrækɪŋ// (noun): watching changes in something over a period
4. **surged** //sɜːdʒd// (verb): increased quickly and by a large amount
5. **activate** //ˈæktəˌveɪt// (verb): turn on a function or make it start
6. **streamline** //ˈstriːmˌlaɪn// (verb): make something work more simply and quickly



Comprehension Questions

Multiple Choice

1. What new feature did Google introduce for summer travel planning?
Option: AI travel booking
Option: AI Mode
Option: AI concierge
Option: AI price comparison
2. When did the AI Mode update initially launch in Google Search?
Option: November 2020
Option: November 2021
Option: November 2022
Option: November 2023
3. Which of the following locations is a popular travel destination for summer 2026 according to Google's announcement?
Option: Miami
Option: Cairo
Option: Sarasota, Florida
Option: Tokyo
4. What percentage increase was noted in searches for the term 'AI travel assistant'?
Option: 250%
Option: 300%
Option: 350%
Option: 400%
5. Where can users activate the price-tracking feature for hotels on mobile?
Option: Under the 'Track Prices' tab
Option: Under the 'Prices' tab
Option: Under the 'Hotels' tab
Option: Under the 'Search' tab
6. How can users find specific items in local stores using the new Google feature?



- Option: By calling the store
- Option: By visiting the store
- Option: By using AI Mode
- Option: By sending an email

True-False

7. Google's AI Mode allows users to track individual hotel prices.
8. The new AI Mode update is only available in the United States.
9. Users cannot specify their needs when looking for items in local stores.
10. The feature to track hotel prices has been available at the individual hotel level since the previous update.
11. Google's announcement states that interest in AI travel-related queries surged by over 300%.
12. Users can only receive alerts for price changes via SMS.

Gap-Fill

13. Google's AI can assist users in determining the availability of specific items at local stores and tracking hotel prices directly via Google _____ .
14. The popular travel destination for summer 2026 include St. Maarten, Stockholm, Kansas City, Missouri, and _____ .
15. Users can activate the price-tracking feature on desktop by searching for a hotel by _____ .
16. Interest in queries about using AI to discover flight deals has surged, with 'AI flight booking' witnessing a growth of _____ .



17. Google will gather relevant information and send the results to the user after they specify their _____ .

18. The AI Mode feature initially launched in Google Search last _____ .

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. AI Mode 2. November 2022 3. Sarasota, Florida 4. 350% 5. Under the 'Prices' tab 6. By using AI Mode

True-False: 7. True 8. True 9. False 10. False 11. True 12. False

Gap-Fill: 13. Search 14. Sarasota, Florida 15. name 16. 315% 17. needs 18. November

Vocabulary quizzes

Multiple Choice (Select the Correct answer for each question.)

1. What process involves combining different elements to form a coherent whole?

Option: Decomposes

Option: Synthesises

Option: Subtracts

Option: Divides

2. Which branch of astronomy deals with the origin and development of the universe?

Option: Astrophysics

Option: Astronomy

Option: Cosmology

Option: Meteorology

3. What term describes the constraints or restrictions in a study or experiment?

Option: Expansions

Option: Limitations

Option: Regulations

Option: Innovations

4. What unit of measurement is commonly used in astronomy to measure large distances?

Option: Light years

Option: Miles

Option: Parsecs



Option: Kilometers

5. What term describes the gradual development or change of something over time?

- Option: Evolves
- Option: Deteriorates
- Option: Stagnates
- Option: Reverts

6. What term refers to improvements or augmentations made to a system or process?

- Option: Diminishments
- Option: Enhancements
- Option: Reductions
- Option: Complications

7. Which term refers to the ability of a system to operate independently?

- Option: Dependence
- Option: Autonomy
- Option: Compliance
- Option: Subordination

8. What action involves combining several things into a single more effective or coherent whole?

- Option: Dividing
- Option: Expanding
- Option: Consolidating
- Option: Dismantling

9. What term describes the process of causing something to divide into two sharply contrasting groups?

- Option: Polarization
- Option: Integration
- Option: Convergence
- Option: Collaboration

Gap-Fill (Fill in the blanks with the correct word from the vocabulary list.)

10. To avoid a problem or obstruction, one might choose to _____ it.

11. The new software allows for real-time _____ of inventory levels.

12. The study of particles such as protons and neutrons is known as _____ physics.



13. The fundamental constituents of matter, which combine to form protons and neutrons, are called _____.
14. In physics, a crystal structure can be represented using a _____ diagram.
15. Research based on observation and experience is referred to as _____ evidence.
16. The _____ of the measurements taken in the experiment was crucial for accurate results.
17. After years of decline, there was a _____ in interest in traditional crafts.
18. The _____ of new technology has made many tasks easier to accomplish.
19. To improve efficiency, the company decided to _____ its shipping process.

Matching Sentences (Match each definition to the correct word from the vocabulary list.)

20. The team's momentum increased as they scored consecutive goals in the match.
21. Sales surged after the launch of the new product, outpacing all previous records.
22. You need to activate the software by entering your license key before using it.
23. The rollout of the new policy was met with mixed reactions from the employees.
24. The distribution of resources was carefully planned to ensure everyone had access.
25. They aimed to minimise waste during the production process to protect the environment.
26. The company sought to leverage its strong brand to enter new markets.
27. The conceptual framework provided a strong foundation for understanding complex ideas.
28. The GPS system specializes in tracking the location of vehicles in real-time.
29. Recent enhancements to the software have greatly improved its user interface.



Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. Synthesises 2. Cosmology 3. Limitations 4. Parsecs 5. Evolves 6. Enhancements
7. Autonomy 8. Consolidating 9. Polarization

Gap-Fill: 10. bypass 11. tracking 12. hadronic 13. quarks 14. lattice 15. empirical 16. precision 17.
resurgence 18. availability 19. streamline

Matching sentence: 1. momentum 2. surged 3. activate 4. rollout 5. distribution 6. minimise 7. leverage
8. conceptual 9. tracking 10. enhancements

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