

I wanted to share a crazy Artificial Intelligence site ([OpenAI](#)) that has been getting some press recently. I have shared this with the Carlsbad kids and challenged them to find some stories about its power and implications, but I am still struggling with conflicted thoughts about its use in journalism.

The tech enthusiast in me is saying, "Wow! This is insane!"

The journalism teacher in me is struggling with the implications for education in general. "Is this where we are headed?" "Do we want to even go there?"



To put it to the test this morning, I described a hypothetical story idea and asked it to help me write some interview questions before I go out on the story.

| <b>THIS IS WHAT I ASKED...</b>   | <b>THIS WAS ITS REPLY IN 5 SECONDS</b>  |
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| I am producing a story about a student at my school who started a club to clean up the beaches on the weekends. What questions should I ask him? | Here are some potential questions you could ask the student about their beach clean-up club: <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Why did you decide to start a club focused on cleaning up the beaches?</li><li>2. What motivated you to take on this project?</li><li>3. Can you tell me more about the activities your club members do during beach clean-up events?</li><li>4. How do you involve the local community in your club's efforts?</li><li>5. What impact have you seen as a result of your club's efforts?</li><li>6. Are there any challenges you have faced while running the club, and how have you overcome them?</li><li>7. What do you hope to accomplish with your club in the future?</li><li>8. How can other students get involved and support your club's efforts?</li></ol> |

**2. THANKS FOR THE HELP. I HAVE FINISHED FILMING THE STORY. IT'S DUE TOMORROW. PLEASE WRITE IT FOR ME!**

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| <p>"My story is about Bryan Smith. He is a sophomore at Carlsbad High School and he started a club at my school called "Keep the Beaches Clean."</p> <p>He has about 10 students who join him on Saturdays, but he is trying to get more students to help out.</p> <p>I have video of the cleanup from last Saturday. He has five sound bites that I could use. They are: "I do this because I care about the community. We should all care about our beaches and the environment." "Carlsbad is a beautiful city on the ocean. We need to keep it this way." "Sometimes I walk the beach after school and even a single piece of plastic reminds is one too many." "If we all get together and give back a few hours of our time, we can make a huge difference."</p> <p>Please write a 5-paragraph voice-over for my story."</p> | <p>Carlsbad High School sophomore Bryan Smith is making a positive impact on his community through his efforts to clean up local beaches. He founded the "Keep the Beaches Clean" club, which brings together a group of dedicated students who volunteer their Saturdays to collect trash and debris from the beaches.</p> <p>Bryan spoke about his motivations for starting the club and the impact it has had.</p> <p>"I do this because I care about the community,"<br/>"We should all care about our beaches and the environment."</p> <p>Bryan also highlighted the importance of individual action in making a difference.</p> <p>"Sometimes I walk the beach after school and even a single piece of plastic reminds me that one piece is one too many,"</p> <p>The club has already made a noticeable difference in the cleanliness of the beaches in the area. With a team of about 10 students, the group collects trash and debris, helping to keep the beaches beautiful and safe for everyone to enjoy.</p> <p>Bryan emphasized the potential for collective action to make an even greater impact.</p> <p>"If we all get together and give back a few hours of our time, we can make a huge difference."</p> <p>Through his hard work and dedication, Bryan is truly making a difference in his community. His efforts serve as an inspiration to us all, reminding us of the power we have to make a positive impact on the world around us.</p> |

***(Note: I have separated/formatted the sound bites from the AI written generated script above so that it looks like a more traditional script).***

***Reminder- the script above was generated in 5 seconds.***

Crazy stuff!

-Doug Green

Please note that I will still be working with STN and have listserv access, but my direct email address is now *[broadcastdoug@gmail.com](mailto:broadcastdoug@gmail.com)*