

Build an AI-Powered Text Summarizer in Google Sheets Using Gemini

Google Sheets Gemini Text Summarizer



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Get your Gemini API Key
<https://aistudio.google.com/app/api-keys>

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Overview

You’ll learn how to connect **Google Sheets** with **Gemini AI**, create custom menu options, build a **sidebar UI**, and summarize text automatically — all powered by **Google Apps Script** and the **Gemini REST API**.

At the end, you’ll have a working app that looks like this:



AI Tools

- Summarize Selection → next column
 - Summarize Column...
 - Open Sidebar
 - Insert Sample Data
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Step 1: Create a New Google Sheet and Open Apps Script

1. Open **Google Sheets**.
2. Click **Extensions → Apps Script**.
This opens the **Apps Script editor** (linked or *bound* to your Sheet).
3. Delete the default `myFunction()`.

We’ll build everything from scratch step-by-step.



Step 2: Add a Custom Menu to Your Sheet

We'll start by adding a simple custom menu that appears whenever the Sheet is opened.

Code:

```
function onOpen() {  
  SpreadsheetApp.getUi()  
    .createMenu('🧠 AI Tools')  
    .addItem('Open Sidebar', 'showSidebar')  
    .addToUi();  
}  
  
function showSidebar() {  
  const html = HtmlService.createHtmlOutput('<p>Hello from your first sidebar!</p>')  
    .setTitle('Gemini Summarizer');  
  SpreadsheetApp.getUi().showSidebar(html);  
}
```

Explanation:

- `onOpen()` runs automatically each time the spreadsheet is opened.
- It creates a new menu named 🧠 **AI Tools**.
- When you click **Open Sidebar**, it runs `showSidebar()`, which creates a simple HTML sidebar.

Try It:

1. Click **Save**.
2. Go back to the Sheet and **reload**.
3. You'll see a new menu called 🧠 **AI Tools** → **Open Sidebar**.
4. Click it — a small sidebar appears. 🎉

Step 3: Create a Separate Sidebar File

Instead of hardcoding HTML inside Apps Script, we'll create a reusable HTML file.

1. In the Apps Script editor → **File** → **New** → **HTML file**
2. Name it: **Sidebar**
3. Paste this inside:

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
  <body>
    <h2>🧠 Gemini Summarizer</h2>
    <p>Paste text below to summarize:</p>
    <textarea id="text"
style="width:100%;height:100px"></textarea><br>
    <button onclick="summarize()">Summarize</button>
    <pre id="output"></pre>

    <script>
      function summarize() {
        const text = document.getElementById('text').value;
        document.getElementById('output').innerText = ' ⌚
Summarizing...';

        google.script.run
          .withSuccessHandler(result => {
            document.getElementById('output').innerText = result;
          })
          .summarizeTextFromSidebar(text);
      }
    </script>
  </body>
</html>
```

Explanation:

- This file creates a simple interface.
- The button calls `summarizeTextFromSidebar()` (we'll define that next).
- `google.script.run` lets HTML talk to your Apps Script functions.



Step 4: Get a Gemini API Key

You need an API key to connect to Gemini.

1. Visit <https://aistudio.google.com/app/apikey>
 2. Sign in with your Google account.
 3. Click **Create API key**.
 4. Copy it — we'll paste it in our script.
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Step 5: Connect to Gemini via REST API

We'll now use Apps Script's `UrlFetchApp.fetch()` to call Gemini's API.

Code:

```
const GEMINI_API_KEY = 'YOUR_API_KEY_HERE'; // Replace this

function summarizeWithGemini(text) {
  if (!text) return "⚠️ Please provide text to summarize.";

  const url =
`https://generativelanguage.googleapis.com/v1/models/gemini-2.5-flash:
generateContent?key=${GEMINI_API_KEY}`;

  const payload = {
    contents: [
      { role: "user", parts: [{ text: `Summarize this text in 3-5
bullet points:\n${text}` }] }
    ]
  };

  const options = {
    method: "post",
    contentType: "application/json",
    payload: JSON.stringify(payload)
  };
}
```

```

try {
  const response = UrlFetchApp.fetch(url, options);
  const data = JSON.parse(response.getContentText());
  const summary = data?.candidates?.[0]?.content?.parts?.[0]?.text;
  return summary || "⚠️ No summary returned.";
} catch (e) {
  return "❌ Error: " + e.message;
}
}

```

Explanation:

- `UrlFetchApp.fetch()` makes an HTTP request.
- `payload` contains the message we send to Gemini.
- The response is JSON — we extract the generated text.

Test It:

Add this small helper:

```

function testGemini() {
  const text = "Artificial intelligence is changing the world by automating tasks and improving decision-making.";
  const result = summarizeWithGemini(text);
  Logger.log(result);
}

```

Run **testGemini()** → **View** → **Logs** — you should see a summary.

Step 6: Connect the Sidebar to the Function

Add this function to `Code.gs`:

```

function summarizeTextFromSidebar(text) {
  return summarizeWithGemini(text);
}

```

Explanation:

- This is what our HTML sidebar calls via `google.script.run`.
- It simply forwards the text to `summarizeWithGemini()` and returns the result.

Now, when you open the sidebar, paste some text, and click **Summarize**, you'll get an AI-generated summary!

Step 7: Create Menu Options for Sheets Integration

Let's add tools that summarize selected cells.

Code:

```
function summarizeSelectionToRight() {
  const range = SpreadsheetApp.getActiveRange();
  const values = range.getValues();

  const output = values.map(row => {
    const text = row.join(" ");
    return [summarizeWithGemini(text)];
  });

  const sheet = range.getSheet();
  const startRow = range.getRow();
  const outCol = range.getColumn() + range.getNumColumns();
  sheet.getRange(startRow, outCol, output.length,
1).setValues(output);

  SpreadsheetApp.getActive().toast("✅ Summaries added to next
column");
}
```

Explanation:

- Takes whatever cells are selected.

- Summarizes each row.
- Writes the summaries into the next column.

Add it to your menu:

```
function onOpen() {
  SpreadsheetApp.getUi()
    .createMenu('🧠 AI Tools')
    .addItem('Summarize Selection → next column',
'summarizeSelectionToRight')
    .addItem('Open Sidebar', 'showSidebar')
    .addToUi();
}
```

Now you can **highlight cells**, click **Summarize Selection**, and get automatic summaries in the next column.

Step 8: Add Sample Data

Add this convenience function:

```
function insertSampleData() {
  const data = [
    ["Original Text", "Summary"],
    ["Artificial intelligence (AI) is transforming industries...",
""],
    ["Photosynthesis is how plants convert light into energy.", ""],
    ["Cloud computing allows access to scalable resources online.",
""],
  ];

  const sheet =
SpreadsheetApp.getActiveSpreadsheet().getActiveSheet();
  sheet.clearContents();
  sheet.getRange(1, 1, data.length, 2).setValues(data);
}
```

Now your menu can include:

```
.addItem('Insert Sample Data', 'insertSampleData')
```

Step 9: Handling Errors Gracefully

Add this fallback for better user messages:

```
function safeSummarize(text) {  
  try {  
    return summarizeWithGemini(text);  
  } catch (e) {  
    return "❌ Error: " + e.message;  
  }  
}
```

Replace `summarizeWithGemini()` calls in your sheet functions with `safeSummarize()`.

Step 10: Test the Whole Project

- ✓ Click  **AI Tools** → **Insert Sample Data**
 - ✓ Select column A
 - ✓ Click **Summarize Selection** → **next column**
 - ✓ Watch column B fill with AI-generated summaries!
-

Step 11: (Optional) Custom Function for Formulas

Add this:

```
/**  
 * =AI_SUMMARY(A2)  
 */  
function AI_SUMMARY(text) {  
  return summarizeWithGemini(text);  
}
```

Now in any cell, you can type:

```
=AI_SUMMARY(A2)
```

and it will generate a live AI summary.

Step 12: Extend the Project (Next Steps)

You can now try these enhancements:

- Add a **“Rewrite”** or **“Explain”** button in the sidebar.
 - Add a **drop-down** to choose summary length (short, medium, long).
 - Use the **Gemini-Pro** model for more detail.
 - Store the API key securely in **Script Properties**.
 - Add caching with **CacheService** to reduce API calls.
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Final Thoughts

By following these steps, you learned:

- How to connect Google Sheets and Apps Script.
- How to call Gemini API via REST.
- How to build UI components (menus + sidebar).
- How to manipulate sheet data dynamically.

You now have a **working AI-powered spreadsheet tool** 🎉
and a reusable framework for any AI feature (translation, rewriting, summarization, etc.).

Awesome — your Code.gs is in great shape. To make this a **complete, ready-to-ship project**, here's the remaining "additional content" you need:

1) Sidebar.html (drop-in UI)

Create a new HTML file named **Sidebar** (exactly this name) and paste:

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
  <head>
    <base target="_top">
    <meta charset="utf-8">
    <style>
      :root { --pad:16px }
      body{font:14px/1.5 system-ui, -apple-system, Segoe
UI, Roboto, Arial, sans-serif;padding:var(--pad)}

      textarea{width:100%;height:140px;font-family:ui-monospace, Menlo, Consol
as, monospace}
      button{background:#1a73e8;color:#fff;border:0;padding:8px
12px;border-radius:6px;cursor:pointer}
      button:disabled{opacity:.6;cursor:not-allowed}
      label{font-size:12px;color:#444}
      input[type=number]{width:90px}
      .row{display:flex;gap:8px;align-items:center;margin:10px 0}
      .hint{color:#666;font-size:12px;margin:6px 0 12px}

      pre{background:#f1f3f4;padding:10px;border-radius:6px;white-space:pre-
wrap}
    </style>
  </head>
  <body>
    <h2>🧠 Gemini Summarizer</h2>
    <p class="hint">Paste any text below or close this panel and use
the menu to summarize cells.</p>

    <textarea id="text" placeholder="Paste text to
summarize..."></textarea>

    <div class="row">
      <label>Max tokens</label>
      <input id="maxTokens" type="number" min="64" max="2048"
value="512">

```

```

    <label>Temperature</label>
    <input id="temp" type="number" step="0.1" min="0" max="2"
value="0.3">
    <label>Style</label>
    <select id="style">
        <option selected>3-5 concise bullet points</option>
        <option>1 short paragraph</option>
        <option>Headings + bullets</option>
        <option>Executive summary (2-3 bullets)</option>
    </select>
</div>

<button id="go" onclick="summarize()">Summarize</button>

<h3>Summary</h3>
<pre id="out">Waiting...</pre>

<script>
    function summarize(){
        const btn = document.getElementById('go');
        const text = document.getElementById('text').value || '';
        const maxTokens =
Number(document.getElementById('maxTokens').value || 512);
        const temp = Number(document.getElementById('temp').value ||
0.3);
        const style = document.getElementById('style').value || '3-5
concise bullet points';

        if (!text.trim()){
            document.getElementById('out').textContent = 'Please paste
some text.';
            return;
        }
        btn.disabled = true;
        document.getElementById('out').textContent = ' ⌚
Summarizing...';

        google.script.run
            .withSuccessHandler(r => {
                document.getElementById('out').textContent = r ||
'(empty)';
                btn.disabled = false;
            })
            .withFailureHandler(e => {
                document.getElementById('out').textContent = 'Error: ' +
e.message;
                btn.disabled = false;
            })
    }

```

```

        .summarizeTextFromSidebar(JSON.stringify({ text, maxTokens,
temp, style }));
    }
    </script>
  </body>
</html>

```

Wire it to your backend

Your current `summarizeTextFromSidebar(text)` expects a plain string. To support the extra controls, replace the function at the bottom of **Code.gs** with this small wrapper:

```

// ===== SERVER ENTRY FOR SIDEBAR =====
function summarizeTextFromSidebar(payloadJson) {
  try {
    const { text, maxTokens, temp, style } = JSON.parse(payloadJson ||
'{}');
    return summarizeWithGemini(text || '', {
      temperature: (typeof temp === 'number' ? temp :
DEFAULT_TEMPERATURE),
      maxOutputTokens: (typeof maxTokens === 'number' ? maxTokens :
DEFAULT_MAX_TOKENS),
      style: style || DEFAULT_SUMMARY_STYLE
    });
  } catch (e) {
    return '❌ Error parsing sidebar payload: ' + e.message;
  }
}

```

2) appscript.json (manifest with correct scopes)

In the Apps Script editor, open **Project Settings** → enable “**Show appscript.json**”, then set:

```

{
  "timeZone": "America/Toronto",
  "exceptionLogging": "STACKDRIVER",
  "runtimeVersion": "V8",
  "oauthScopes": [
    "https://www.googleapis.com/auth/spreadsheets",
    "https://www.googleapis.com/auth/script.container.ui",

```

```
    "https://www.googleapis.com/auth/script.external_request"  
  ]  
}
```

Save, then **Run** → **debugOpenSidebar()** once to authorize. Reload the Sheet so the  **AI Tools** menu appears.

3) (Optional but recommended) Store API key in Script Properties

This keeps your key out of source code:

1. **Project Settings** → **Script properties** → **Add row**
Key: GEMINI_API_KEY
Value: your API key
2. Your `getApiKey()` already reads properties first. Once set, you can blank out the constant in code if you want:

```
const GEMINI_API_KEY = '';
```

Or leave it as a fallback — up to you.

4) UX polish (sheet helpers you already have)

- **Insert Sample Data:** loads A/B with curated examples.
 - **Summarize Selection** → **next column**: works across multi-row selections.
 - **Summarize Column...:** prompt A → B (or just A) to batch process a whole column.
 - Small throttle (`REQUEST_COOLDOWN_MS`) to avoid quota bursts.
-

5) QA checklist (do these once)

- Save all files.
 - Manifest scopes match above.
 - **Run** → **debugOpenSidebar()** → approve permissions.
 - Back in the sheet: reload → 🧠 **AI Tools** menu appears.
 - Try **Insert Sample Data**, then **Summarize Column...** (A → B).
 - Open **Sidebar**, paste text, adjust **Max tokens / Temperature / Style, Summarize**.
-

6) Troubleshooting (fast answers)

- **“Specified permissions are not sufficient ... Ui.showSidebar”**
You’re likely in a *standalone* script. Reopen the editor from the Sheet via **Extensions** → **Apps Script** (bound project). Ensure manifest includes `script.container.ui`, then re-authorize (Run any UI function once).
 - **“You do not have permission to call UrlFetchApp.fetch ... external_request”**
Run a function that triggers fetch (e.g., `testGeminiOK()`) and approve the OAuth consent. Make sure `script.external_request` is in `appsscript.json`.
 - **HTTP 404**
Use discovered models (you’ve confirmed: **gemini-2.5-flash**, **gemini-2.5-pro**, etc.). The client already tries both v1 and v1beta and falls back through candidates.
 - **No text / MAX_TOKENS**
You already bumped `DEFAULT_MAX_TOKENS` to **512** and the extractor reports truncation. Increase to 768/1024 or shorten inputs.
 - **Safety block**
The extractor prints the block reason. Reword input or (carefully) relax safety (commented template in your payload).
-

7) Nice extensions (copy-paste ready)

A) Add “Rewrite” and “Explain” menu actions

```
function rewriteSelectionToRight() {
  runTransformOverSelection('Rewrite the following text to be clearer
and more concise. Return only the final rewrite:\n\n{{TEXT}}');
}

function explainSelectionToRight() {
  runTransformOverSelection('Explain the following text simply for a
general audience. Return only the explanation:\n\n{{TEXT}}');
}

function runTransformOverSelection(instruction) {
  const range = SpreadsheetApp.getActiveRange();
  if (!range) {
    SpreadsheetApp.getUi().alert('Please select one or more cells
first.');
```

```
    return;
  }
  const sheet = range.getSheet();
  const values = range.getValues();
  const startRow = range.getRow();
  const outCol = range.getColumn() + range.getNumColumns();

  const out = [];
  for (let r = 0; r < values.length; r++) {
    const rowText = values[r].map(v => (v == null ? ' ' :
String(v))).join(' ').trim();
    if (!rowText) { out.push(['']); continue; }
    const prompt = instruction.replace('{{TEXT}}', rowText);
    const result = callGeminiREST(prompt, { temperature: 0.3,
maxOutputTokens: 512 });
    out.push([result]);
    Utilities.sleep(REQUEST_COOLDOWN_MS);
  }
  sheet.getRange(startRow, outCol, out.length, 1).setValues(out);
  SpreadsheetApp.getActive().toast('Done.');
```

```
}
```

Add these to your menu:

```
.createMenu('🧠 AI Tools')
```

```

    .addItem('Summarize Selection → next column',
'summarizeSelectionToRight')
    .addItem('Rewrite Selection → next column',
'rewriteSelectionToRight')
    .addItem('Explain Selection → next column',
'explainSelectionToRight')
    .addItem('Summarize Column...', 'summarizeColumnPrompt')
    .addItem('Open Sidebar', 'showSidebar')
    .addSeparator()
    .addItem('Insert Sample Data', 'insertSampleData')
    .addToUi();

```

B) Single-cell custom functions

Already included:

```

// =AI_SUMMARY(A2, "1 short paragraph")
function AI_SUMMARY(text, style) {
    return summarizeWithGemini(text, { style: style ||
DEFAULT_SUMMARY_STYLE });
}

```

Add variants:

```

// =AI_REWRITE(A2)
function AI_REWRITE(text) {
    const t = (text == null ? '' : String(text)).trim();
    if (!t) return '';
    return callGeminiREST('Rewrite the following to be clearer and more
concise:\n\n' + t,
                        { temperature: 0.3, maxOutputTokens: 512 });
}

// =AI_EXPLAIN(A2)
function AI_EXPLAIN(text) {
    const t = (text == null ? '' : String(text)).trim();
    if (!t) return '';
    return callGeminiREST('Explain the following simply for a general
audience:\n\n' + t,
                        { temperature: 0.3, maxOutputTokens: 512 });
}

```

8) Final “build & ship” steps

1. **Authorize** (run `debugOpenSidebar()` and/or `testGeminiOK()` once).
2. **Reload** the Sheet → use the  **AI Tools** menu.
3. (Optional) **Share** the sheet with editors/viewers; the script runs under each user’s authorization the first time they invoke it.
4. If you turn this into an **Add-on**, keep your REST calls and UI — it ports cleanly.

Full Code

```
/**
 * Google Sheets Gemini Text Summarizer (REST API version)
 * Uses UrlFetchApp to call Gemini via HTTPS with an API key.
 * Author: Laurence Svekis, GDE for Google Workspace
 *
 * Menu actions:
 * - Summarize Selection → next column
 * - Summarize Column...
 * - Open Sidebar
 * - Insert Sample Data
 *
 * NOTE: Consider moving your API key to PropertiesService for security.
 */

// ==== CONFIG ====
// (You can also store the key in PropertiesService and read it via
// getApiKey() below.)
const GEMINI_API_KEY = 'AIz***DQ';

// Prefer stable 2.5/2.0 text models (present in both v1 and v1beta for your
// key)
const GEMINI_MODEL_CANDIDATES = [
  'gemini-2.5-flash',
  'gemini-2.5-pro',
  'gemini-2.0-flash',
  'gemini-2.0-flash-001',
  'gemini-2.0-flash-lite',
  'gemini-2.0-flash-lite-001'
];

// Default model we start with (the client will auto-fall back if needed)
let GEMINI_MODEL = 'gemini-2.5-flash';
```

```

const DEFAULT_TEMPERATURE = 0.3; // a bit more deterministic
const DEFAULT_MAX_TOKENS = 512; // more room so we don't hit MAX_TOKENS

const DEFAULT_SUMMARY_STYLE = '3-5 concise bullet points';
const REQUEST_COOLDOWN_MS = 150; // small delay to avoid rate spikes

// Try both API bases; your key exposes models on both.
const GEMINI_BASES = [
  'https://generativelanguage.googleapis.com/v1',
  'https://generativelanguage.googleapis.com/v1beta'
];

// ==== MENU / UI ====
function onOpen() {
  SpreadsheetApp.getUi()
    .createMenu('🧠 AI Tools')
    .addItem('Summarize Selection → next column', 'summarizeSelectionToRight')
    .addItem('Summarize Column...', 'summarizeColumnPrompt')
    .addItem('Open Sidebar', 'showSidebar') // ← this name must match exactly
    .addSeparator()
    .addItem('Insert Sample Data', 'insertSampleData')
    .addToUi();
}

function showSidebar() {
  try {
    const html = HtmlService.createHtmlOutputFromFile('Sidebar')
      .setTitle('Gemini Summarizer');
    SpreadsheetApp.getUi().showSidebar(html);
  } catch (e) {
    // If Sidebar.html is missing or misnamed, you'll see this alert
    SpreadsheetApp.getUi().alert('Failed to open sidebar: ' + e.message);
    throw e;
  }
}

```

```

// Opens a super simple test sidebar to confirm UI works at all
function debugOpenSidebar() {
  const html = HtmlService.createHtmlOutput('<div
style="padding:16px;font-family:sans-serif">Hello from test sidebar
✓</div>')
    .setTitle('Test Sidebar');
  SpreadsheetApp.getUi().showSidebar(html);
}

// ==== PUBLIC HELPERS FOR QUICK TESTS ====
function testGeminiOK() {
  const txt = 'Artificial intelligence is transforming industries by improving
decision-making and enabling automation.';
  const out = summarizeWithGemini(txt, { maxOutputTokens: 512, temperature: 0.3
});
  Logger.log(out);
}

// ==== CORE: REST CLIENT ====

// If present, read API key from PropertiesService; else fall back to
constant.
function getApiKey() {
  const key =
PropertiesService.getScriptProperties().getProperty('GEMINI_API_KEY');
  return (key && key.trim()) ? key.trim() : GEMINI_API_KEY;
}

/**
 * Calls Gemini generateContent; retries across models/base paths on 404.
 * @param {string} prompt
 * @param {{temperature?: number, maxOutputTokens?: number, model?: string}}
[opts]
 * @returns {string}

```

```

*/
// --- helper: pull text from any parts; show safety blocks nicely
function extractGeminiText(json) {
  try {
    if (json?.error?.message) return `❌ API error: ${json.error.message}`;

    const block = json?.promptFeedback?.blockReason;
    if (block) {
      const details = (json.promptFeedback?.safetyRatings || [])
        .map(r => `${r.category}:${r.probability}`).join(', ');
      return `❌ Blocked by safety (${block}${details ? ' - ' + details : ''}).`;
    }

    const cand = json?.candidates?.[0];
    if (!cand) return '';

    // If the model cut off due to max tokens, tell the user explicitly.
    if (cand.finishReason === 'MAX_TOKENS') {
      // Try to pull any partial text if present
      const parts = cand?.content?.parts || [];
      const partial = parts.map(p => p?.text || '').join('').trim();
      return partial
        ? `${partial}\n\n⚠️ Truncated (MAX_TOKENS). Increase maxOutputTokens or shorten input.`
        : '⚠️ Truncated (MAX_TOKENS) and no visible text. Increase maxOutputTokens or shorten input.';
    }

    const parts = cand?.content?.parts || [];
    const text = parts.map(p => p?.text || '').join('').trim();
    if (text) return text;

    const cText = cand?.text;
    if (cText && String(cText).trim()) return String(cText).trim();
  }
}

```

```

    return '';
  } catch (_) {
    return '';
  }
}

function callGeminiREST(prompt, opts = {}) {
  const apiKey = getApiKey();
  if (!apiKey || apiKey === 'YOUR_API_KEY_HERE') {
    return '❌ Error: Set GEMINI_API_KEY in Code.gs or Script Properties.';
  }

  const temperature = opts.temperature ?? DEFAULT_TEMPERATURE;
  const maxOutputTokens = opts.maxOutputTokens ?? DEFAULT_MAX_TOKENS;

  const primaryModel = (opts.model || GEMINI_MODEL);
  const discovered = getDiscoveredModels();
  const cascadeModels = unique([primaryModel].concat(discovered.length ?
discovered : []).concat(GEMINI_MODEL_CANDIDATES));

  const payload = {
    generationConfig: {
      temperature: temperature,
      maxOutputTokens: maxOutputTokens,
      // (optional tunables)
      topP: 0.95,
      topK: 40
    },
    // If you later want to try responseType, put it here (top-level), not
    // inside generationConfig:
    // responseType: "text/plain",
    contents: [
      { role: "user", parts: [{ text: prompt }] }
    ]
  };
};

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let lastBody = '';
let lastCode = 0;

for (const base of GEMINI_BASES) {
  for (const model of cascadeModels) {
    const url =
`${base}/models/${encodeURIComponent(model)}:generateContent?key=${encodeURIComponent(apiKey)}`;
    const options = {
      method: 'post',
      contentType: 'application/json',
      payload: JSON.stringify(payload),
      muteHttpExceptions: true
    };

    try {
      const res = UrlFetchApp.fetch(url, options);
      const code = res.getResponseCode();
      const body = res.getContentText();
      lastBody = body; lastCode = code;

      if (code >= 200 && code < 300) {
        const data = JSON.parse(body);
        const text = extractGeminiText(data);
        if (text) {
          GEMINI_MODEL = model; // remember working model
          return text;
        }
        // Log the full JSON once to help diagnose why it was empty
        Logger.log(`Empty text for ${model} @ ${base}: ${body}`);
        return '⚠️ No summary returned (see Logs for raw response).';
      }
    }
  }
}

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    if (code === 404) continue; // try next model/base

    Logger.log(`Gemini HTTP ${code} @ ${url}\n${body}`);
    return `❌ Error: Gemini HTTP ${code}. See Logs for details.`;

  } catch (err) {
    Logger.log(`Gemini fetch error @ ${base}/${model}: ${err}`);
    continue;
  }
}

Logger.log(`Gemini final failure. HTTP ${lastCode}\n${lastBody}`);
if (lastCode === 404) {
  return `❌ Error: Model/endpoint not found (404). Run debugListModels()
and set GEMINI_MODEL.`;
}
return `❌ Error: Gemini HTTP ${lastCode || 'unknown'}. See Logs for
details.`;
}

// ==== MODEL DISCOVERY (optional but handy) ====

/**
 * Lists models visible to your API key and caches them (6 hours).
 * Run this once and check the Logs; then set GEMINI_MODEL to a listed id.
 */
function debugListModels() {
  const apiKey = getApiKey();
  if (!apiKey || apiKey === 'YOUR_API_KEY_HERE') {
    Logger.log('Set GEMINI_API_KEY first.');
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    return;
  }
}
const urlV1b =
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`https://generativelanguage.googleapis.com/v1beta/models?key=${encodeURIComponent(
ent(apiKey))}`;
const urlV1 =
`https://generativelanguage.googleapis.com/v1/models?key=${encodeURIComponent(
apiKey))}`;

[urlV1b, urlV1].forEach(url => {
  try {
    const res = UrlFetchApp.fetch(url, { muteHttpExceptions: true });
    const code = res.getResponseCode();
    const body = res.getContentText();
    Logger.log(`GET ${url} → ${code}`);
    if (code >= 200 && code < 300) {
      const data = JSON.parse(body);
      const ids = (data?.models || []).map(m =>
m?.name?.split('/').pop()).filter(Boolean);
      Logger.log('Available models: ' + ids.join(', '));
      if (ids.length) {
        CacheService.getScriptCache().put('gemini_models',
JSON.stringify(ids), 6 * 60 * 60);
      }
    } else {
      Logger.log(body);
    }
  } catch (e) {
    Logger.log(`Error listing models from ${url}: ${e}`);
  }
});
}

function getDiscoveredModels() {
  try {
    const raw = CacheService.getScriptCache().get('gemini_models');
    if (!raw) return [];
    const ids = JSON.parse(raw);
    return Array.isArray(ids) ? ids : [];
  }
}

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    } catch (e) {
        return [];
    }
}

function unique(arr) {
    return Array.from(new Set(arr.filter(Boolean)));
}

// ==== SUMMARIZATION WRAPPER ====

/**
 * Summarize a block of text with Gemini (REST).
 * @param {string} text
 * @param {{temperature?: number, maxOutputTokens?: number, style?: string,
model?: string}} [opts]
 * @return {string}
 */
function summarizeWithGemini(text, opts = {}) {
    const content = (text == null ? '' : String(text)).trim();
    if (!content) return '';

    const style = opts.style ?? DEFAULT_SUMMARY_STYLE;
    const prompt = [
        `Summarize the following text clearly in ${style}.`,
        'Keep facts accurate and avoid inventing details.',
        '',
        content
    ].join('\n');

    return callGeminiREST(prompt, opts);
}

// ==== SHEETS ACTIONS ====

// Selection → next column

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function summarizeSelectionToRight() {
  const range = SpreadsheetApp.getActiveRange();
  if (!range) {
    SpreadsheetApp.getUi().alert('Please select one or more cells first.');
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return;

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  }

  const sheet    = range.getSheet();
  const values   = range.getValues();
  const startRow = range.getRow();
  const startCol = range.getColumn();
  const outCol   = startCol + range.getNumColumns(); // immediate right of
selection

  const out = [];
  for (let r = 0; r < values.length; r++) {
    const row = values[r];
    const cellText = row.map(x => (x == null ? '' : String(x))).join('
').trim();
    if (!cellText) {
      out.push(['']);
      continue;
    }
    const summary = summarizeWithGemini(cellText);
    out.push([summary]);
    Utilities.sleep(REQUEST_COOLDOWN_MS);
  }

  sheet.getRange(startRow, outCol, out.length, 1).setValues(out);
  SpreadsheetApp.getActive().toast(`Summarized ${out.length} row(s) → column
${colToLetter(outCol)}`);
}

// Prompt for columns, then batch summarize
function summarizeColumnPrompt() {
  const ui = SpreadsheetApp.getUi();

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const input = ui.prompt(
  'Summarize Column',
  'Enter input and output columns (e.g., A -> B or A,B). If you enter only A, output will be the next column.',
  ui.ButtonSet.OK_CANCEL
);
if (input.getSelectedButton() !== ui.Button.OK) return;

const raw = input.getResponseText().trim().toUpperCase();
let [inCol, outCol] = raw.replace(/\s+/g, '').replace('->', ',').split(',');

if (!/^([A-Z])+$/.test(inCol || '')) {
  ui.alert('Please provide a valid input column letter, e.g., A');
  return;
}
if (!outCol) {
  outCol = colToLetter(letterToCol(inCol) + 1);
} else if (!/^([A-Z])+$/.test(outCol)) {
  ui.alert('Please provide a valid output column letter, e.g., B');
  return;
}

summarizeColumn(inCol, outCol);
}

/**
 * Summarize every non-blank cell in input column and write to output column.
 * @param {string} inColLetter e.g., "A"
 * @param {string} outColLetter e.g., "B"
 */
function summarizeColumn(inColLetter, outColLetter) {
  const sheet = SpreadsheetApp.getActiveSheet();
  const lastRow = sheet.getLastRow();
  const inCol = letterToCol(inColLetter);
  const outCol = letterToCol(outColLetter);

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if (lastRow < 1) {
    SpreadsheetApp.getUi().alert('No data found.');
```

return;

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}

const range = sheet.getRange(1, inCol, lastRow, 1);
const values = range.getValues();

const out = [];
for (let r = 0; r < values.length; r++) {
    const text = values[r][0];
    const trimmed = (text == null ? '' : String(text)).trim();
    if (!trimmed) {
        out.push(['']);
        continue;
    }
    const summary = summarizeWithGemini(trimmed);
    out.push([summary]);
    Utilities.sleep(REQUEST_COOLDOWN_MS);
}

sheet.getRange(1, outCol, out.length, 1).setValues(out);
SpreadsheetApp.getActive().toast(`Summarized ${out.length} row(s):
${inColLetter} → ${outColLetter}`);
}

// ==== SAMPLE DATA ====
function insertSampleData() {
    const data = [
        ['Original Text', 'AI Summary'],
        ['Artificial intelligence (AI) is transforming industries by automating
        processes, improving decision-making, and enabling innovation in fields like
        healthcare and finance.', ''],
        ['Photosynthesis is the process by which plants convert light energy into
        chemical energy stored in glucose, using water and carbon dioxide.', ''],
        ['In project management, defining a clear scope and measurable objectives
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helps ensure team alignment and successful delivery.', ''],

['Cloud computing provides scalable, on-demand access to computing resources over the internet, reducing the need for physical infrastructure.', ''],

['The Industrial Revolution in the 18th century marked a major turning point in human history, introducing machines, factories, and urbanization.', ''],

['Exercise not only improves physical health but also enhances mood, cognitive function, and overall mental well-being.', ''],

['Renewable energy sources like solar and wind are critical in reducing carbon emissions and combating climate change.', ''],

['The Great Wall of China was built to protect against invasions and stands as one of the most iconic architectural achievements in history.', ''],

['Machine learning is a subset of AI where algorithms learn from data to make predictions or decisions without explicit programming.', ''],

['The human brain contains billions of neurons that communicate through electrical and chemical signals, enabling thought, memory, and emotion.', ''],

['Social media has reshaped communication, marketing, and global connectivity, but it also raises concerns about privacy and misinformation.', ''],

['Climate change refers to long-term shifts in temperature and weather patterns, largely driven by human activities such as fossil fuel use.', ''],

['The internet has revolutionized access to information, commerce, and communication, connecting billions of people worldwide.', ''],

['A balanced diet includes carbohydrates, proteins, fats, vitamins, and minerals to support overall health and body function.', ''],

['The moon's gravitational pull causes tides on Earth and has been a subject of scientific and cultural fascination for centuries.', ''],

['Electric vehicles use battery-powered motors instead of internal combustion engines, reducing pollution and reliance on fossil fuels.', ''],

['The printing press, invented by Johannes Gutenberg, made mass communication possible and transformed education and literacy.', ''],

['Artificial neural networks mimic the structure of the human brain to process complex data patterns in tasks like image recognition.', ''],

['Emotional intelligence involves recognizing and managing one's own emotions as well as understanding others' feelings effectively.', ''],

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    ['Space exploration expands scientific knowledge, drives innovation, and
    inspires humanity to reach beyond Earth's boundaries.', '']
];

const sheet = SpreadsheetApp.getActiveSpreadsheet().getActiveSheet();
sheet.clearContents();
sheet.getRange(1, 1, data.length, data[0].length).setValues(data);
SpreadsheetApp.getActive().toast('✅ Sample data inserted in columns A-B');
}

// ==== UTILITIES ====
function colToLetter(col) {
    let temp = '';
    let letter = '';
    while (col > 0) {
        temp = (col - 1) % 26;
        letter = String.fromCharCode(temp + 65) + letter;
        col = (col - temp - 1) / 26;
    }
    return letter;
}

function letterToCol(letter) {
    let col = 0;
    for (let i = 0; i < letter.length; i++) {
        col = col * 26 + (letter.charCodeAt(i) - 64);
    }
    return col;
}

// ==== SERVER ENTRY FOR SIDEBAR ====
function summarizeTextFromSidebar(text) {
    return summarizeWithGemini(text, {
        temperature: DEFAULT_TEMPERATURE,
        maxOutputTokens: DEFAULT_MAX_TOKENS
    });
}

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}

// ==== (Optional) Custom Function for single-cell formulas ====
// =AI_SUMMARY(A2, "1 short paragraph")
/**
 * @param {string} text
 * @param {string=} style
 * @return {string}
 * @customfunction
 */
function AI_SUMMARY(text, style) {
  return summarizeWithGemini(text, { style: style || DEFAULT_SUMMARY_STYLE });
}

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Sidebar.html

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<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
  <head>
    <base target="_top">
    <meta charset="utf-8">
    <style>
      body{font:14px/1.5 system-ui, -apple-system, Segoe UI, Roboto, Arial,
sans-serif; padding:16px}
      textarea{width:100%; height:140px; font-family:ui-monospace, Menlo,
Consolas, monospace}
      button{background:#1a73e8; color:#fff; border:0; padding:8px 12px;
border-radius:6px; cursor:pointer}
      pre{background:#f1f3f4; padding:10px; border-radius:6px;
white-space:pre-wrap}
    </style>
  </head>
  <body>
    <h2>🧠 Gemini Summarizer</h2>
    <p>Paste text and click Summarize, or close this and use the menu
actions.</p>

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<textarea id="text" placeholder="Paste text..."></textarea>
<div style="margin:8px 0">
  <button onclick="summarize()">Summarize</button>
</div>
<h3>Summary</h3>
<pre id="out">Waiting...</pre>

<script>
  function summarize(){
    const text = document.getElementById('text').value;
    document.getElementById('out').textContent = ' ⌚ Summarizing...';
    google.script.run
      .withSuccessHandler(t => document.getElementById('out').textContent =
t || '(empty)')
      .withFailureHandler(e => document.getElementById('out').textContent =
'Error: ' + e.message)
      .summarizeTextFromSidebar(text);
  }
</script>
</body>
</html>

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