

Blockadelabs.com World-Building Playbook for Trailblazers

Hey, Trailblazers! This week, we're diving into world-building, where you'll create your own 3D landscapes! Using Blockadelabs.com, you'll get to turn your ideas into virtual worlds. Remember, you're on a free account, so you'll need to be careful with your clicks. Let's get started!

1. Log In and Prepare

- **Head to Blockadelabs.com:** First, log in or sign up for a free account if you haven't already.
- **Limited Clicks:** Keep in mind that free accounts limit the number of actions you can take. Only click when you're ready!

2. Explore Existing Worlds

- **Browse for Inspiration:** Spend a few minutes in the "Explore" tab, exploring worlds other users have created. Look for ideas that you think are cool or unique.
- **Take Notes:** As you explore, write down any keywords or phrases that catch your attention. These will be helpful for sparking ideas for your own world! Notice the drop down where you can explore styles of artwork.

3. Gather Word Ideas

- **Choose Your Elements:** Below is a list of nouns you can use to shape your world. These include landscapes, structures, weather elements, and more:
 - **Nature & Landscape:** Waterfalls, mountains, forests, rivers, deserts, cliffs, islands, glaciers
 - **Man-Made Structures:** Castles, bridges, ruins, temples, towers, villages, shrines, fortresses
 - **Fantasy & Sci-Fi Elements:** Floating islands, crystal caverns, magic portals, alien ruins, enchanted forests, space stations
 - **Flora & Fauna:** Giant mushrooms, ancient trees, fireflies, bioluminescent flowers, dragons, coral reefs
 - **Weather & Atmosphere:** Storm clouds, northern lights, fog, sandstorms, moonlight, meteor showers
- **Add Detail:** Pick a few words that you love and imagine how they fit into your world.

4. Enhance Your Vocabulary in ChatGPT

- **Expand with Adjectives:** Take the nouns you like and type them into ChatGPT, asking for adjectives to go with each one. For example, type: "Give me adjectives for 'mountains'" to get ideas like "towering mountains" or "mist-covered mountains."

- **Build Your Inventory:** This will help you create a rich set of descriptive words to make your world feel real and vivid!

5. Create Your World

- **Plan Your Prompt:** Use the words and phrases you gather to create a descriptive prompt for your world. Think carefully about each word—try to capture your vision in one go to avoid extra clicks. Be sure to use punctuation correctly too. So the bot understands your thoughts.
- **Enter the Prompt:** Once you're ready, enter your prompt, click "Generate" on Blockade Labs, and watch your world come to life!

6. Save and Share

- **Save Your Creation:** Once your 3D landscape is generated, save it using any available options for free accounts. Use the SHARE option. You'll get a URL that you can share with friends and family.
- **Share & Reflect:** Share your world with the group and let us know which keywords and adjectives worked best to bring your vision to life. And print an image of your world in 2D that you can post on the wall next to where you work. It will inspire your vocabulary and direct your plot ideas as you begin to write your novel.

Closing

This activity will help you build a world that readers can see, feel, and explore just like you imagine. Take your time and use your creativity to shape a setting that's uniquely yours. Let your imagination lead the way, Trailblazers, and enjoy the adventure of world-building!