♣ STRATEGIC CHEAT SHEET

GEO 2026

Generative Engine Optimization Guide



The Goal

"Be The Answer"

+41%

Quotations

Al trusts authority. Add quotes from experts to verify accuracy.

+40%

Citations

Link to government data & studies. Be a probability node.

+30%

Fact Density

Replace fluff with stats. Optimize for information gain.

The Inverted Pyramid

TOP Direct Answer (First 50 words)

Structured Data (Lists/Tables) MID

Context & Backstory

The Goldilocks Zone

120 - 180

WORDS PER SECTION

PLATFORM PLAYBOOK

BOT

Google Al

Mimic user questions (e.g., "How much does X cost?").

Perplexity

RECENCY

Update 'dateModified'. Citations are

SearchGPT

Structure for follow-up questions to keep the thread alive.

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