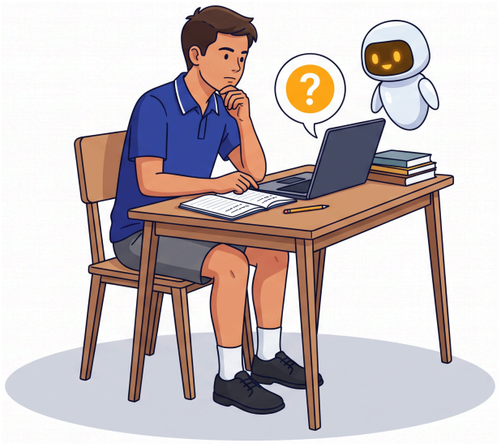
HOW TO USE AI RIGHT

10 PROMPTS FOR EXAM AND ASSIGNMENT SUCCESS

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AI can make you sharper or it can make you lazier. The prompt decides which.

Don't use AI as a shortcut. It backfires. Use it to learn: ask it to question you, check every fact it gives you, and push it for deeper thinking.

TRY THIS

Pick one prompt below for the subject you find hardest. **Fill in the brackets with your own topic** and paste it into the AI tool your school allows. Always follow your school's rules on using AI in assessment.

1 THE INTERROGATOR
Use AI to make you think

PROMPT

I am studying [e.g. the causes of World War II] and I need to [e.g. write 1000 words]. Don't give me the answers. Instead, ask me a series of probing questions, one at a time, to help me arrive at the core principles myself.

2 THE DEVIL'S ADVOCATE
Strengthen your arguments

PROMPT

I am arguing that [thesis statement]. Act as a critical opponent by identifying the three weakest points in my logic and giving me the strongest counter-arguments a scholar might use against me. Don't rewrite my essay. Just give me the critique.

3 THE MISCONCEPTION MASTERMIND
Get better at problem solving

PROMPT

Explain how to solve [problem or concept] step by step, as if I am a Year 12 student preparing for a final exam. For each stage, identify the common mistakes students make and tell me how to avoid them in exam conditions.

4 THE ACADEMIC TONE STRATEGIST
Write like a scholar

PROMPT

Evaluate this text written for a [type of assignment]: [paste text]. I am a Year 12 student. Analyse the tone and level of formality, tell me whether it is too casual or imprecise, and suggest ways to strengthen vocabulary and clarity without rewriting it for me.

5 THE LONG-TERM MEMORY ARCHITECT
Build an exam study plan

PROMPT

Design a 14-day spaced study plan for [subject] covering these topics: [list topics]. I am a Year 12 student preparing for a final exam. Tell me what to review each day, and build the plan for deep understanding rather than short-term memorisation.

6 THE MENTAL MODEL TRANSLATOR
Understand abstract ideas through analogy

PROMPT

Explain the concept of [e.g. photosynthesis] using a detailed analogy from [your favourite show or video game]. Connect each technical part of the concept to a specific part of the analogy.

7 THE PERSONALISED QUIZMASTER
Prepare for a high-stakes exam

PROMPT

Based on these notes: [paste notes], write five multiple-choice questions and one challenging long-answer question. If I get one wrong, explain the reasoning behind the correct answer and give me a memory trick I can use in the exam.

8 THE LEVEL UP EXPERT
Understand complex topics

PROMPT

Explain [topic] to me as if I am a Year 12 student preparing for a final exam. Include the nuances, the common academic debates, and how this topic connects to real-world issues today.

9 THE INTERDISCIPLINARY SYNTHESISER
Connect ideas across subjects

PROMPT

Explain the connections between [topic A] and [topic B] as if I am an advanced Year 12 student. Highlight where they overlap, any unexpected influences, and how each one shapes the other in study and in the real world.

10 THE RHETORICAL INSIGHT EXPERT
Read with an analytical mind

PROMPT

Analyse this speech or text: [paste text]. I am a Year 12 student preparing for a final exam. Identify the main rhetorical devices used, such as ethos, pathos and logos, explain how they work in the argument, and show how they make it more persuasive.