Prompts for Study, Notes and Writing

Turn chapters into notes, notes into tests, and rough drafts into clean writing — with prompts that keep you in control.

Introduction

Studying with AI is not about getting answers faster. It is about turning one chapter into many kinds of practice: clean notes, questions, explanations, and drafts you improve yourself. The students who benefit most do not ask "give me the answers". They ask "teach me, test me, check me" — and they stay in charge of the final work.

This lesson gives you a study workflow: **learn it, note it, test it, write it** — with one prompt pattern for each step, and the guardrails that keep your work honestly yours.

(Roman Urdu: AI se parhna matlab jawab jaldi lena nahi — aik chapter se notes, sawal, samajh aur draft banana hai. "Sikhao, test lo, check karo" — aur aakhri kaam hamesha aap ka apna ho.)

Key points

- **Step 1 — Learn it:** "Explain [topic] in simple words with one daily-life example, then ask me 3 questions one at a time." The questions matter more than the explanation.
- **Step 2 — Note it:** paste your rough class notes and ask for clean notes with headings, bullets, and a 3-line summary. Your facts in, organised notes out — nothing invented.
- **Step 3 — Test it:** "Make 10 MCQs from this chapter: mix easy, medium and hard. Answers separately at the end with one-line explanations." Testing beats re-reading, every time.
- **Step 4 — Write it:** write your own rough draft FIRST, then ask the AI to correct it — grammar, clarity, structure — without changing your meaning. AI as editor, not author.
- **Your material in, your words out.** When you paste your own notes or draft, the AI organises YOUR work. When you ask for a full essay from nothing, the work stops being yours.
- **Ask for Roman Urdu or simple English explicitly.** "Explain in Roman Urdu" or "simple English, no difficult words" — the AI adjusts well when told, and not at all when not told.
- **Check AI-made notes against your book.** AI summaries can drop a point or soften a definition. One pass against the chapter catches it.
- **Beginners get stuck on pasting too much at once.** A whole chapter pasted in one prompt comes back as a shallow summary. Fix: paste one section at a time — notes for one heading, questions for one heading — and the quality of each output jumps.
- **Ask for the answer in your own words back.** After an explanation, add: "Now ask me to explain it back in my own words, and correct me." Explaining back is the test that shows whether you learned or only read.

Examples

Example 1 — From rough notes to clean revision notes

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You are a helpful teacher. Turn my rough class notes below into clean study notes on Photosynthesis. Use short headings, bullet points and simple English. Keep every important fact, remove repeated lines, and add a 3-line summary at the end. My notes: [PASTE YOUR NOTES HERE]
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Why this prompt is safe: every fact comes from your notes. The AI only organises. Nothing is invented, and you can check every bullet against your original.

Example 2 — A viva that teaches

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Act as my teacher taking a viva (oral exam) on the Water Cycle. Ask me one question at a time and wait for my answer. After each answer, tell me if it is right, correct my mistake in simple words, and give the ideal short answer. Ask 10 questions and give me a score at the end.
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What you will get: a real practice session, not a page to memorise. The corrections are the learning — wrong answers that get fixed stick better than right answers you only read.

Example 3 — Editor, not author

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Check my English paragraph below. First give the corrected version. Then list each mistake in a table: my sentence, the corrected sentence, and the rule in simple words. Do not change my meaning or add new ideas. My paragraph: [PASTE YOUR PARAGRAPH]
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The two guardrails — "do not change my meaning" and "do not add new ideas" — keep the paragraph yours. The AI fixes the English; the thinking stays with you.

Example 4 — Before and after: MCQs that actually test

Before:

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Make questions on photosynthesis.
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After:

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Make 10 MCQs on photosynthesis for class 9, from this chapter only: [PASTE YOUR CHAPTER SUMMARY]. Mix 3 easy, 4 medium, 3 hard. 4 options each. Put all questions first, then a separate Answer Key with one-line explanations. Do not ask anything outside the chapter.
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The before version tests the AI's general knowledge, not your chapter. The after version tests what you must actually pass — same chapter, mixed difficulty, answers kept separate so you can genuinely attempt each

question first.

Example 5 — From a rough draft to a better draft, honestly

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Here is my rough paragraph on why I like cricket. I wrote it myself. Check it in two parts. Part 1: the corrected version, keeping my ideas and my order. Part 2: a table of my mistakes — my sentence, the corrected sentence, the rule in simple words. Do not add new ideas. My paragraph: [PASTE YOUR PARAGRAPH]
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Why the two parts matter: the corrected version shows the result, the table shows the lesson. Students who only read the corrected version repeat the same mistakes next week. Students who study the table do not.

Example 6 — A study session with a timer and a score

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Act as my teacher for a 20-minute revision session on fractions. First, explain the 3 most common fraction mistakes in simple words, with one example each. Then give me 5 quick questions, one at a time, waiting for each answer. After the 5th answer, give me a score out of 5 and tell me the one topic to revise again tomorrow.
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A session with a time limit, a question count, waiting, and a score at the end is a real study session. Without those four, it is just another page to read — and reading feels like learning while testing is what actually builds marks.

Real-world case — Where this is actually used

Students preparing for board exams use the same loop daily: morning explanation with questions, afternoon clean notes from rough class notes, evening 10 MCQs with the key separate. One student, one chapter, one hour — repeated across chapters, that loop is worth more than a month of re-reading. Tutors use the same pattern to build homework: the AI makes the questions from the tutor's own notes, so the homework matches exactly what was taught in class, not a generic chapter.

Quick recap

- Study workflow: learn it, note it, test it, write it.
- Paste YOUR material for notes and corrections — organise, don't invent.
- Testing (MCQs, viva) beats re-reading.
- Write your draft first; AI edits, you author.
- Name the language: simple English or Roman Urdu.
- Check AI notes against your book once.

Common mistakes

1. **Asking for a full essay from nothing** — the work is not yours, and you learn nothing from it. Fix: draft first, then ask for corrections.

2. **Re-reading AI summaries instead of testing** — reading feels like learning but fades fast. Fix: end every study session with MCQs or a viva.
3. **Trusting AI notes without one check** — a dropped fact or softened definition costs marks. Fix: one pass against the chapter, every time.

1. **Using the AI as a shortcut on the day before the test** — a full set of notes generated the night before feels complete but is untested in your memory. Fix: notes made early, tested the same week, beat notes made late and only read once.
2. **Mixing subjects in one study prompt** — "Make MCQs on science and maths and English" gives a shallow mix of all three. Fix: one subject per prompt, one chapter per prompt, then combine the outputs yourself.

Practice

1. Take one chapter from your book. Run the full workflow: explanation with questions, clean notes from your rough notes, 10 MCQs, and one corrected paragraph. Time it — the whole loop should fit in one study hour.
2. Write a rough paragraph (5–6 lines) on any topic, then use the editor prompt above. List the mistakes it found — and check whether you agree with every correction.

1. Run the full study loop on one section (not a whole chapter): explanation with questions, clean notes from your rough notes, 5 MCQs. Time it, and write down which step taught you most.
2. Write a paragraph yourself, then use the two-part editor prompt (corrected version + mistake table). List the rules you broke — then write one new paragraph trying to break none of them.
3. Ask the AI to explain a topic back-test style: explanation, then "now ask me to explain it back". Explain it back in your own words, out loud, and note where you got stuck — that stuck point is tomorrow's revision topic.

Practice quiz

1. What is the best study workflow with AI?

- Ask for all the answers, then memorise them
- Learn it (explanation + questions), note it (your notes organised), test it (MCQs/viva), write it (your draft corrected)
- Read AI summaries all day
- Ask for a full essay and submit it

Answer: Learn it (explanation + questions), note it (your notes organised), test it (MCQs/viva), write it (your draft corrected)

2. Why write your own draft FIRST and let the AI correct it?

- It is slower, but teachers like it
- The thinking stays yours — the AI fixes English and structure without becoming the author

- AI cannot write drafts
- Drafts are not needed

Answer: The thinking stays yours — the AI fixes English and structure without becoming the author

3. Why is testing (MCQs, viva) better than re-reading AI summaries?

- It takes longer
- Testing beats re-reading: corrected wrong answers stick better than pages you only read
- Teachers prefer tests
- Summaries are always wrong

Answer: Testing beats re-reading: corrected wrong answers stick better than pages you only read

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