

— FREE ASSESSMENT GUIDE

The 2026 Modern *Assessment* Playbook

3 AI-proof assessment frameworks for higher ed and K-12 — built to grade judgment and process, not just the words on the page.

FORMAT	BUILT FOR	SETUP TIME	GRADES
3 Frameworks	Higher Ed & K-12	One Class Cycle	Process + Product

— BEFORE YOU REDESIGN

Stop policing. Start redesigning.

AI detectors and prompt traps feel like control, but they're a losing arms race. The fix isn't catching AI use — it's building assignments where using AI well is no shortcut to a good grade.

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AI detectors are unreliable

High false-positive rates penalize non-native English speakers and reward sophisticated prompters — the students most likely to get flagged are often the ones least likely to have cheated.

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Prompt traps only work once

Hidden instructions buried in an assignment catch a student exactly one time. Word gets around fast, and the whole class learns to strip formatting or paste raw text.

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The real diagnosis

If 90% of a class could pass or fail an assignment with a 5-second copy-paste, the assignment was testing document creation — not human judgment. That's a design problem, not a policing problem.

FIELD NOTE

Every framework on the next three pages follows the same principle: make the thing you're grading impossible to shortcut, because it happens live, mid-process, or under follow-up questioning — not because a detector caught someone.

The Inverted AI Critique Assignment

OBJECTIVE Shift students from passive prompt-copying to active critical evaluation.

FRAMEWORK • SETUP TO GRADING



THE SETUP

Instead of asking students to write a 1,500-word essay from scratch, hand them a 1,000-word AI-generated essay containing subtle logical gaps, hallucinated citations, or outdated data.

THE STUDENT TASK

Students act as the senior peer reviewer. They mark up the draft using track changes, correct hallucinated citations, and rewrite the weak arguments.

GRADING METRIC

70% of the grade is based on the quality of their critique and error identification. 30% on their final rewritten synthesis.

WHY IT WORKS

It grades what AI can't fake — the judgment to catch a mistake, not the fluency to hide one.

BEST FOR

Essay-based courses and research methods — anywhere students currently just prompt-and-submit.

The Raw Prompt Chain & Process Transcript

OBJECTIVE Assess the student's problem-solving process and prompt iteration, not just the final output.

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THE SETUP

Students are permitted — or required — to use Claude, ChatGPT, or Gemini to research a complex topic.

THE STUDENT TASK

Alongside a 1-page executive summary, students submit a link to their unedited chat transcript or export log.

GRADING METRIC

Initial prompt structure — did they provide clear context and constraints? Critical interventions — where did they push back on the AI's first answer? Verification — did they check the AI's claims against academic sources?

WHY IT WORKS

It makes the thinking process itself the deliverable — there's no polished output to fake without the trail behind it.

BEST FOR

Research assignments and case studies, where how they got there matters as much as the answer.

The 3-Minute Live Viva / Oral Defense

OBJECTIVE Test true conceptual mastery and spontaneous reasoning in under 3 minutes per student.

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THE SETUP

Students submit a project, case study, or paper developed with AI assistance.

THE STUDENT TASK

During office hours or class, students give a 3-minute live oral defense (or recorded video) answering 2 unscripted questions:

"Which AI suggestion did you reject during your research, and why?"

"If you had to defend the opposite viewpoint of your paper, what is the strongest counterargument?"

GRADING METRIC

50% written submission. 50% spontaneous oral reasoning.

WHY IT WORKS

No AI can improvise a live defense under follow-up questioning on someone else's behalf.

BEST FOR

Capstones and final projects — anywhere high-stakes enough to justify 3 minutes per student.

— KEEP BUILDING

Want the templates for *live class time*?

This playbook covers what to assess. The Live Class Facilitation Prompt Matrix covers how to run the room — four ready-to-run templates for structuring any live class in under 60 seconds.

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Facilitation Prompt
Matrix — 4 templates,
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