

Lesson 10: From Prompts to Workflows

The durable skill is not any single prompt. It is learning to think behind the prompt.

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The Big Idea

Prompts change. AI models change. Technology changes. The durable skill is understanding the relationship between:

Human Intent → AI Instructions → AI Execution → Human Evaluation

You set the intent at the beginning and judge the result at the end. The AI does the work in between.

From One Prompt to a System

Once a prompt works, it can be saved, reused, and improved — turning a one-off request into a repeatable workflow.

Stage	What It Looks Like
Question	"Explain budgeting."
Instruction	A structured prompt with all six blocks
Task	A reusable prompt you save and adapt
Process	A series of prompts: outline, draft, critique, revise
Workflow	A repeatable routine you use every week

Keep the Human in the Loop

The more you rely on AI, the more your own judgment matters. Share important work with real people, test it in the real world, and watch for the moment when every answer starts agreeing with you.

Final Project

Pick one task you do every week. Build a complete six-block prompt for it, run it, critique the result, and revise it at least twice. Save the final version — that's the first prompt in your personal library.

Go Deeper

Read [The Human in the Loop](#) and [Demystifying the Oracle](#).

Learn the principle. Then practice it.

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