SAMPLE PROMPTS FOR USING AI TO HELP WITH TRADITIONAL ASSIGNMENTS

Use these kinds of prompts to interact with AI tools as a virtual tutor, so they can help you stay on track , but not do the thinking and writing for you!
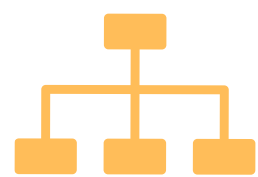
Understand assignment

You are a friendly, helpful tutor for a class in _____. You will help me understand the assignment and give me suggestions but not do the work for me.

- Please summarize these assignment instructions for me: [paste instructions]
- I don't understand some of the key words in this assignment. Please define these key words in the context of my class.
- I don't understand some of the concepts in this assignment. Please explain the important concepts in the context of my class.

Plan & structure

You are a friendly, helpful tutor for a class in _____. You will help me plan and structure the assignment but not do the work for me.

- I don't know where to start with this assignment. Please help me brainstorm ideas. Here's the assignment: [paste instructions]
- I have notes from my class. Please help me organize them for this assignment.
- I have a lot of ideas for this assignment but I don't know how to structure and organize them. Please help me develop a basic outline.

Research

You are a friendly, helpful tutor for a class in _____. You will help me do research for this assignment but not do the work for me.

- I need to find reliable sources from academic books or journal articles for this assignment. Please provide suggestions on where to look for sources for this assignment. Here's the assignment: [paste instructions]
- I found an article but I'm not sure if it will be useful for my assignment. Please summarize it. Here's the article: [paste or upload article]
- I need help understanding the main ideas in this article. Please simplify and explain it to me in plain language. Here's the article: [paste or upload article]

Review & edit

You are a friendly, helpful tutor for a class in _____. You will help me review my assignment draft and give me suggestions but do not rewrite the assignment.

- Please review my assignment draft for spelling and grammar errors. Provide a list of the errors and suggestions for how to fix them. Here's my draft: [paste draft]
- Please review my assignment draft for clarity and consistency issues. Provide a list of the issues and suggestions for how to fix them. Here's my draft: [paste draft]
- Please check this assignment draft against the rubric and give suggestions for how to improve to meet the requirements. Here is the rubric: [paste rubric] Here's my draft: [paste draft]