

Find Your First Useful AI Job

Do not start by asking, “How can I use AI?” Start with your actual life and work.

Listen for: “There has to be an easier way to do this.”

1 / Notice the signals

- Repetitive
- Time-consuming
- Hard to start
- Messy or unstructured
- Information-heavy
- Confusing
- Easier with a second set of eyes
- Recreated again and again
- Something you keep putting off

2 / Define the job

What are you trying to accomplish? What information would someone need to help you? What would a useful result look like?

3 / TRY A STARTER PROMPT

“I’m working on [SITUATION]. I’m trying to accomplish [GOAL]. Here is the relevant context: [CONTEXT]. I would like your help with [TASK]. Before you begin, ask me up to three questions if there is important information you need.”

4 / Keep the conversation going

- What did you assume that I did not tell you?
- What information would make this better?
- Give me two different approaches.
- What might I be overlooking?
- Separate what you know from what you are inferring.
- Make this more useful for my actual situation.

5 / Decide whether it helped

Did it save time, improve quality, help you start, help you understand something, or help you think more clearly? Would you use it again?

TRY > LEARN > IMPROVE > REPEAT > SHARE

Not every experiment needs to become an automation. Find value first.