

One better question.

Choose a job you care about. Your first move is to name what you know, what you need to decide, and how you will tell whether the result works.

The job I want done

What would change in the real world?

What I know firsthand

Facts, examples, taste, business rules.

What I don't know

Where I need AI to help me explore.

The question that could change the path

A missing constraint, alternative, or failure case.

What I will inspect or test

One observable case, not "looks good."

What stays with a person

Approval, money, safety, privacy, or final judgment.

Pair check

Give the card to someone else. Can they tell what success looks like and what would make you stop? If they have to ask, make the question more exact.

Start a conversation

I want to [job]. I know [facts and examples]. I don't know [uncertainty]. Before building anything, ask me the questions that could change the approach. Suggest the smallest result I can inspect, one case that could break it, and what still needs my decision. Separate what you verified from what you inferred.

Use public, fictional, approved, or minimized information when trying a new tool.