AI revision prompts for university

Five prompts to copy and paste into an AI tool when you revise. Replace the words in square brackets with your own module details. Check your university's guidance before you upload slides or notes, and check every answer against your slides, set reading and module handbook.

1. Weekly quiz

Use once a week for each module, with that week's slides, notes and set reading.

> I'm revising week [number] of my [module name] module. Using only the slides and reading I've uploaded, ask me 8 questions, one at a time. Mix recall questions, "explain why" questions and questions that apply an idea to a new case. Wait for my answer, then mark it, tell me what I missed and say which slide or page the answer comes from.

A good answer cites a slide or page each time.

2. Explain why

Use when you can define a term but aren't sure you understand it.

> Using only my uploaded materials for [module name], ask me 5 "why" questions about [topic], one at a time. After each answer, ask one follow-up question that pushes me past the definition. Then tell me what I missed and which slide or page covers it.

A good answer pushes you past definitions.

3. New case

Use to practise applying what you know, as most exams ask you to.

> Give me a short scenario I haven't seen before that tests [concept] from my [module name] module. Wait for my answer, then mark it against my uploaded notes and slides, and tell me what a stronger answer would include.

A good answer marks you against your own notes, not general knowledge.

4. Gap check

Use after you've written your own explanation of a concept from memory (100 to 150 words).

> Here is my explanation of [concept] for my [module] module. Don't rewrite it. List the gaps: anything missing, vague or wrong. For each gap, ask me a question that would help me fix it myself.

A good answer asks questions instead of rewriting your work.

5. Source check

Use whenever an answer surprises you or doesn't match your notes.

> For your last answer, quote the exact sentence from my uploaded slides or reading that supports it, with the slide or page number. If you can't find one, say so clearly instead of guessing.

A good answer says so when it can't find a source.

Before you learn an answer, check

- Does it match the slide or page it cites?
- Does it use your lecturer's terms and models?
- Does it fit the learning outcomes in your module handbook?
- Is it from the right country, for example English law rather than US law?

If you find an error, correct it in your notes in your own words.