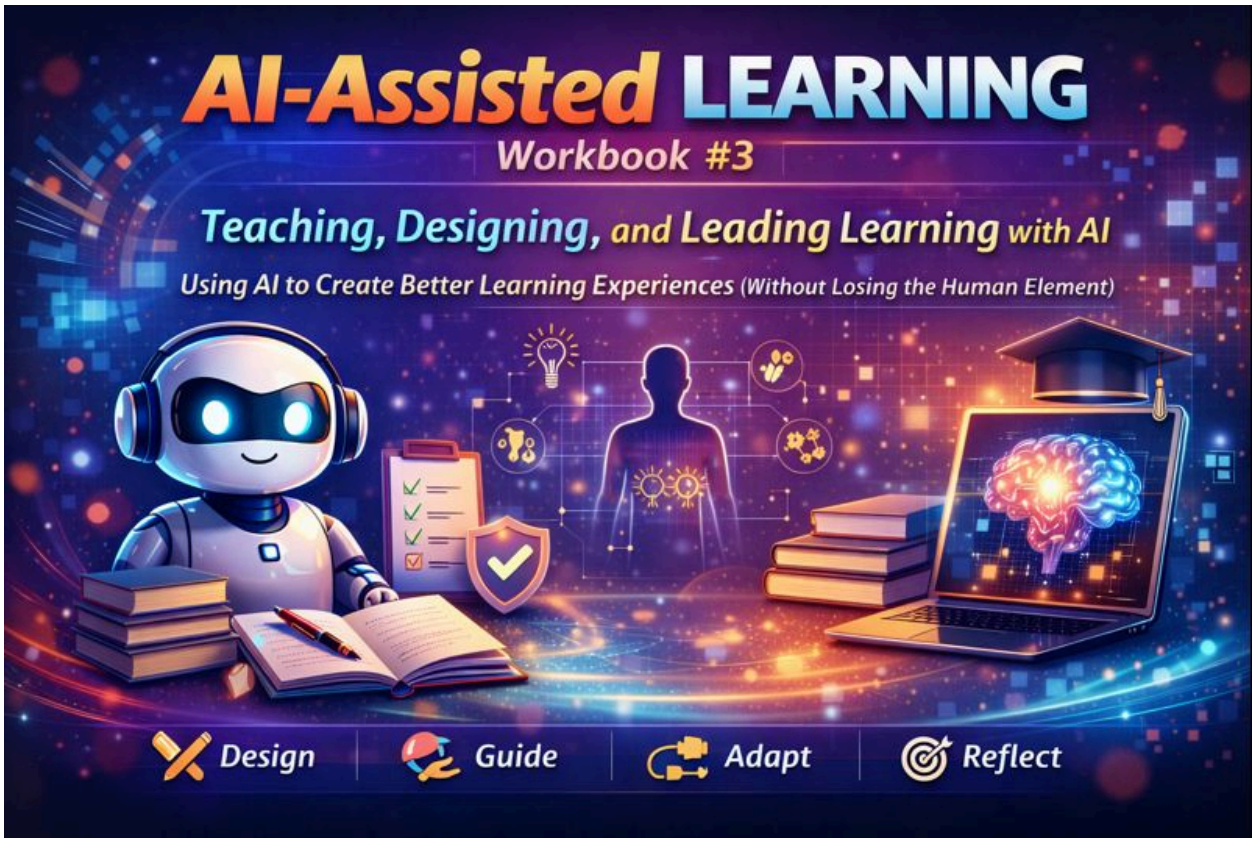
AI-Assisted Learning Workbook #3



Teaching, Designing, and Leading Learning with AI

Using AI to Create Better Learning Experiences (Without Losing the Human Element)

How This Workbook Fits the Series

This workbook focuses on **learning design**, not just personal learning.

By the end, readers will know how to use AI to:

- Design lessons and exercises
- Guide learners without giving answers

- Create adaptive learning paths
- Improve clarity, feedback, and retention
- Scale learning while staying human

This is about **teaching better**, not automating teaching.

Who This Workbook Is For

This workbook is ideal for:

- Educators and instructors
- Course creators
- Coaches and mentors
- Team leads and managers
- Anyone responsible for helping others learn

No AI or technical background required.

How to Use This Workbook

- Work through each section in order
- Use AI actively (not passively)
- Test prompts with real learning content
- Reflect after each exercise

You can apply everything here to:

- classrooms
- online courses
- workshops
- onboarding
- documentation
- self-paced learning

Section 1: Why Teaching with AI Is Different

Key Shift

AI should not replace teaching.
It should **augment clarity, feedback, and adaptability**.

Bad use of AI:

- Auto-generating full lessons with no context
- Replacing explanation with answers
- Removing struggle entirely

Good use of AI:

- Helping learners think
- Generating adaptive practice
- Supporting reflection
- Providing feedback at scale

Exercise 1.1 — Your Teaching Philosophy

Prompt:

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Ask me questions to clarify my teaching goals, audience,
constraints, and values.
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✍️ Reflection
What do you want learners to *be able to do* after learning?

Section 2: Designing Learning Outcomes with AI

Why Outcomes Matter

Clear outcomes prevent:

- overloading content
- unfocused lessons
- shallow understanding

AI can help refine outcomes — not invent them.

Exercise 2.1 — Outcome Refinement

Prompt:

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Help me rewrite these learning outcomes to be clearer,
measurable, and learner-centered.
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Exercise 2.2 — Outcome → Activity Mapping

Prompt:

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For each learning outcome, suggest activities that force
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learners to demonstrate understanding.
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Section 3: Creating Exercises That Teach (Not Just Test)

The Rule

If an exercise doesn't force thinking, it doesn't teach.

Exercise 3.1 — Exercise Upgrade

Prompt:

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Here is an existing exercise.
Improve it so it requires reasoning, explanation,
and application — not memorization.
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Exercise 3.2 — Progressive Difficulty

Prompt:

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Create a sequence of exercises that gradually increase
in difficulty and cognitive demand.
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Section 4: Using AI to Guide Learners Without Giving Answers

Why This Matters

Good teaching includes **productive struggle**.

AI can guide without solving.

Exercise 4.1 — Socratic Tutor Mode

Prompt:

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Act as a tutor.
Do not give answers.
Ask guiding questions until the learner arrives at the solution.
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Exercise 4.2 — Hint System Design

Prompt:

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Create a tiered hint system:
Hint 1: conceptual
Hint 2: structural
Hint 3: directional
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Section 5: Feedback at Scale with AI

The Feedback Problem

Feedback is:

- time-consuming
- emotionally taxing
- often delayed

AI can help — without becoming impersonal.

Exercise 5.1 — Feedback Templates

Prompt:

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Create constructive feedback templates for common learner mistakes.
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Keep the tone supportive and specific.
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Exercise 5.2 — Rubric-Aligned Feedback

Prompt:

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Given this rubric, generate feedback that references
specific criteria and improvement steps.
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Section 6: Adaptive Learning Paths with AI

Why One-Size-Fits-All Fails

Learners differ in:

- pace
- background
- confidence
- goals

AI can help personalize **paths**, not just content.

Exercise 6.1 — Path Design

Prompt:

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Design three learning paths:
beginner, intermediate, advanced.
Include checkpoints and decision points.
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Exercise 6.2 — Diagnostic Prompts

Prompt:

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Create diagnostic questions that determine which path
a learner should follow.
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Section 7: Reflection, Metacognition, and Confidence Building

Why Reflection Matters for Learners

Reflection:

- reinforces learning
- builds confidence
- encourages ownership

AI can guide reflection consistently.

Exercise 7.1 — Reflection Prompts

Prompt:

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Generate reflection questions that help learners evaluate
their understanding and progress.
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Exercise 7.2 — Confidence Tracking

Prompt:

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Help me design a simple confidence and progress check
learners can complete weekly.
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Section 8: Ethical, Responsible, and Human-Centered AI Teaching

Core Principles

- AI supports learners — not surveillance
- Transparency over automation
- Learning over performance
- Humans stay accountable

Exercise 8.1 — AI Boundaries

Prompt:

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Help me define clear guidelines for acceptable AI use
in my learning environment.
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Capstone Exercise — Your AI-Enhanced Teaching System

Prompt:

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Help me design an AI-assisted teaching system that includes:
learning outcomes, exercises, feedback, reflection, and adaptation.
Keep humans in the loop at every stage.
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Save this — it's reusable.

Final Reflection

1. Where can AI reduce friction in my teaching?

2. Where must human judgment remain central?
3. How will I guide learners without removing struggle?
4. What will I change first?

Key Takeaway

AI doesn’t make teaching easier by replacing educators.

It makes teaching **better** by:

- improving clarity
- scaling feedback
- supporting reflection
- enabling personalization

The best learning experiences are still human —
AI just helps them reach more people.