

AI Answer-Checking Checklist - Get Useful Feedback Without Fooling Yourself

A companion download to the Cogniks blog post: *AI Essay and Answer Checkers: Can They Actually Grade Like a CBSE Examiner?* - cogniks.com

Before You Trust AI Feedback on a Practice Answer, Check:

- Did you give the AI the exact question, along with the mark weightage or word limit?
- Did you ask it to list missing key points or concepts, instead of asking for a mark out of X?
- Did you cross-check anything it flagged as wrong against your NCERT textbook or class notes?
- Did you avoid relying on it for diagrams, chemical structures, or handwritten math notation?
- Would a second attempt or a teacher's opinion likely agree with its feedback?

Three Ready-to-Use Prompts

Copy, paste, and fill in the brackets. Use with ChatGPT, Claude, or Gemini.

Prompt A - Find missing concepts, not a fake mark

Here is a CBSE board exam question: [paste question, class, and subject].
Here is my answer: [paste your answer].
Do not give me a mark out of X. Instead, list any important concepts, keywords, or steps a CBSE examiner would expect that I may have missed.

Prompt B - Check clarity and structure only

Review this answer for a CBSE Class 10 or 12 subject exam for clarity and structure only, not marks. Is it organised with a clear point, explanation, and conclusion where relevant? Suggest specific rewrites for any unclear sentences.

Prompt C - Self-quiz before you check anything

Based on NCERT Class X Subject, Chapter Y, ask me three short-answer questions one at a time. Wait for my answer before giving feedback on each one, and don't show me the next question until I've answered the current one.

The One-Line Rule to Remember

Use AI to find gaps in what you know, not to predict the number CBSE will write on your answer sheet. Only an examiner working from the actual marking scheme can do that.

For how CBSE examiners actually allocate marks, see the companion *Step Marking and Value Points* quick reference. Cogniks - cogniks.com