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- Clarity sample assignment prompts
- Clarity sample rubrics
- Tips for editing multipart assignments



Customer Engagement: How can I help you?



Engage with Administrators

- Analyze and present stats
- Strategic Plan
- Replicator Engagement Events
- Fit to purpose resources



Engage with Faculty

- Faculty heads & support
- Turnitin sessions to fit pedagogical needs & interests
- [Customized event registration page](#)



Engage with Students

- Resources
- Demo/Recording

Agenda



1. Working premises
2. Current state of play with AI in Academia and the World
3. What Turnitin has been working on
4. The new assignment creation workflow
5. New assignment types
6. Student experience
7. Surfacing the Turnitin and Clarity assignment types in SpeedGrader
8. Building multipart assignments
9. Additional resources

Important - the pace of technological change in this era is rapid!

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Our Working Premises



Working Premises



Technology affects how academic integrity is viewed and taught



New majority students have limited engagement with higher education due to life and financial obligations.



Cultural backgrounds, including age cohorts, affect student understanding of plagiarism.



Students rely on institutions to teach academic integrity, while institutions may assume others have taken responsibility for this.



Factors such as student sense of professor presence and coursework relevance can reduce academic dishonesty.



Academic integrity and career ethics vary by discipline.



Academic integrity and career ethics may need to be taught in every course, every semester, throughout a student's academic career.



AI use is implicated in downskilling, neverskilling, and poses new challenges to learner cognitive development.

Working Premises in Progress

Theory	Definition	Process / Stages	Key Elements	Goal / Focus
<u>Practical Inquiry</u> <u>(Garrison et al., 2001)</u>	The process of constructing meaning and confirming understanding through collaborative and reflective processes.	Phases: Triggering Event → Exploration → Integration → Resolution. Iterative and dynamic (not strictly linear).	Collaboration, reflection, iterative engagement.	Foster deep and meaningful learning through both individual reflection and collaborative discourse.
<u>Cognitive Presence</u> <u>(Garrison et al., 2001)</u>	The extent to which learners construct and confirm meaning through sustained reflection and discourse in a critical community of inquiry.	Ongoing reflection and discourse; requires sustained engagement.	Indicators: sense of understanding, connecting ideas, applying knowledge, generating new ideas.	Enhance teaching and learning effectiveness by focusing on meaning-making rather than content alone.
<u>Critical Inquiry</u> <u>(Dewey's Reflective Thought)</u>	The active, persistent, and careful consideration of a belief or knowledge claim in light of supporting evidence and implications.	Stages: Situation of doubt → Intellectualization of problem → Hypothesis generation → Reasoning & testing → Verification & conclusion.	Questioning, reflective thinking, collaboration, solving real-world problems.	Develop independent thought, problem-solving, and knowledge construction.
<u>Community of Inquiry</u> <u>(Lipman)</u>	A rigorous, democratic, and reflective form of discussion built over time with the same group of learners.	Sustained dialogue across time within a community.	Core elements: shared purpose, collaboration, critical dialogue, mutual respect.	Cultivate the 4Cs of thinking: Critical, Creative, Caring, and Collaborative.

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Perspectives on AI-assisted writing tool usage in higher education & the world



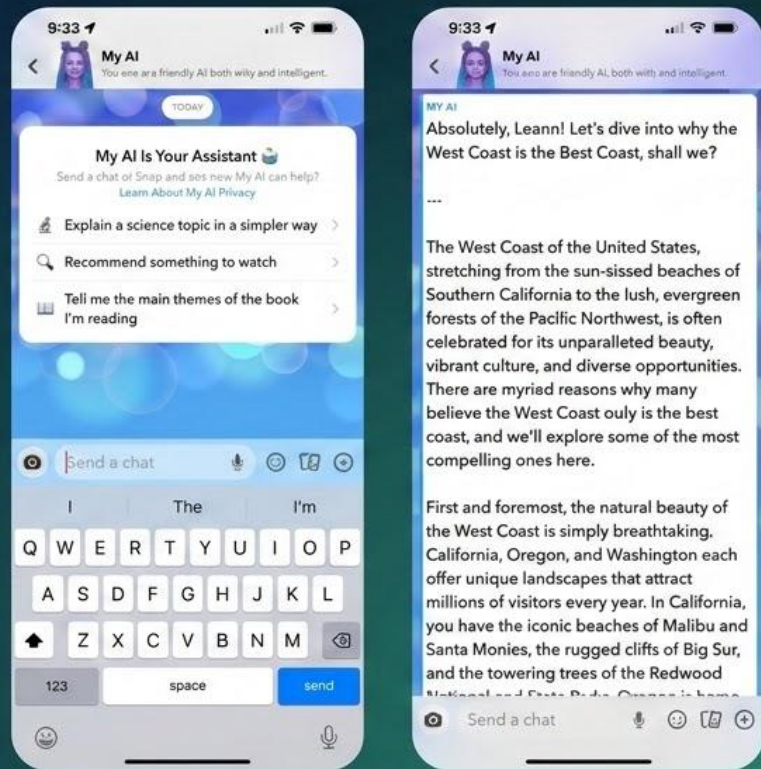
AI at Your Fingertips



Facebook/Instagram Meta AI



SnapChat My AI



Where do most teens get first access to AI?

68%

of teens use TikTok

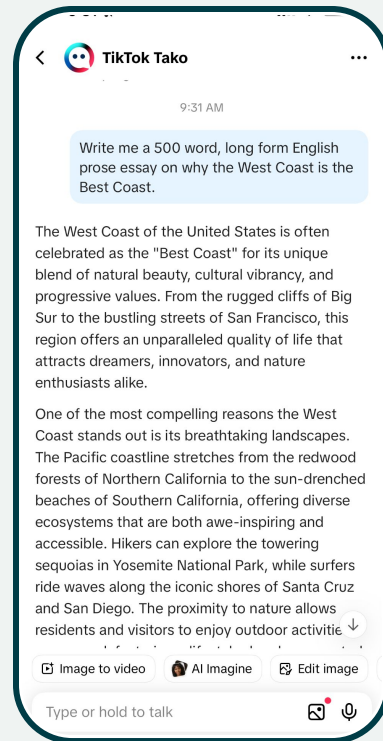
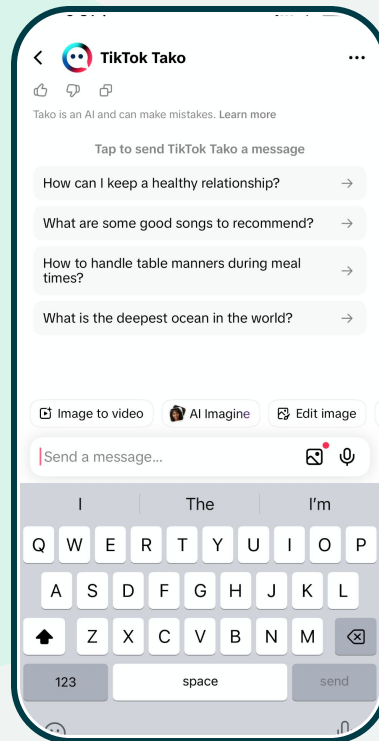
63%

of teens use Instagram

55%

of teens use Snapchat

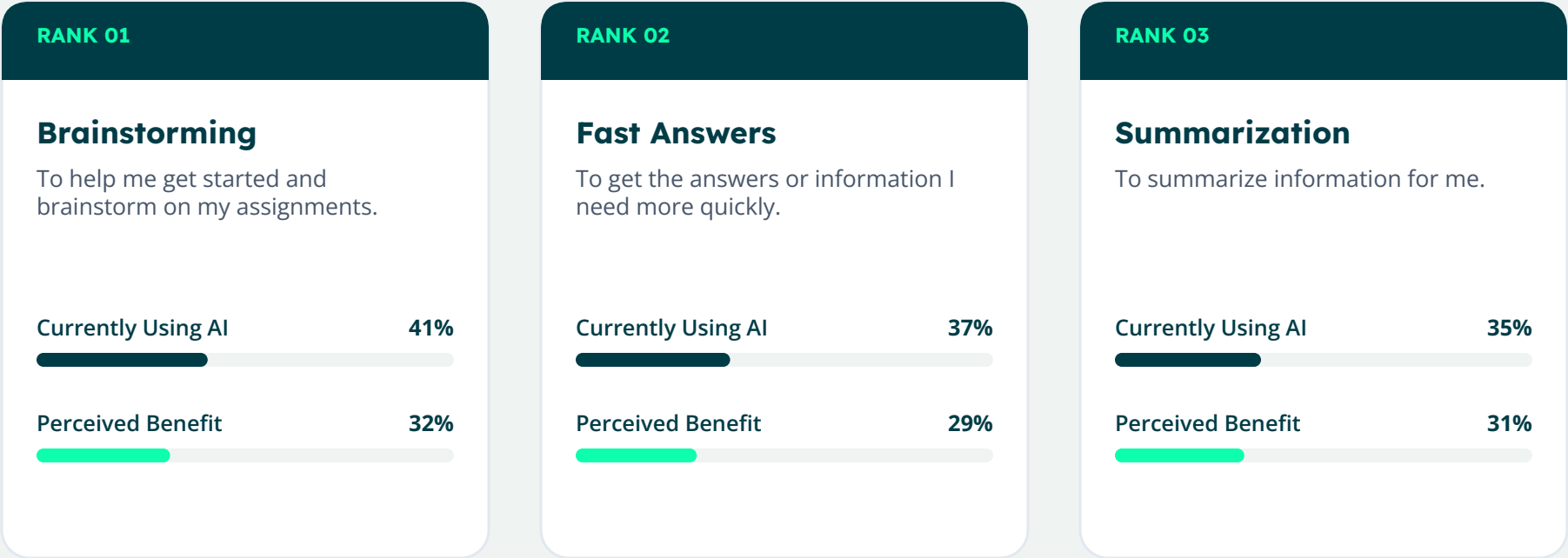
New as of February 2026: TikTok Tako AI



K12 Student AI Top Use Cases 2024-2025



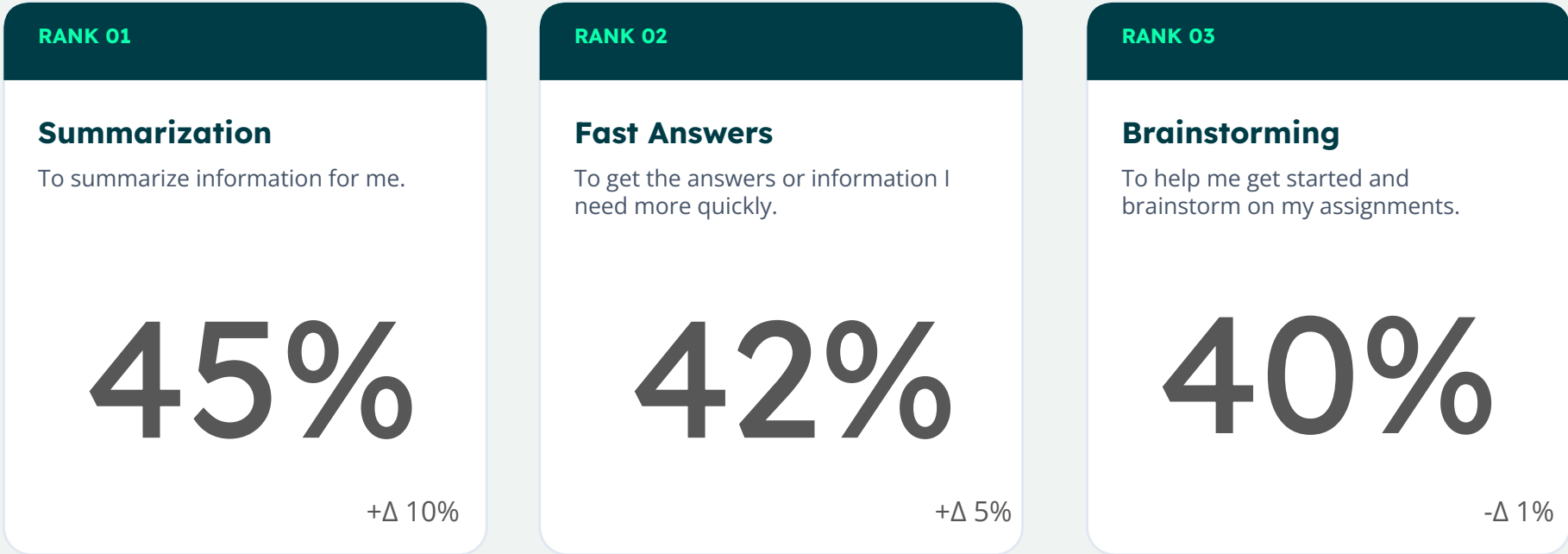
Students are most often using AI to get started and brainstorm, find information quickly, and summarize information.



K12 Student AI Top Use Cases 2025-2026

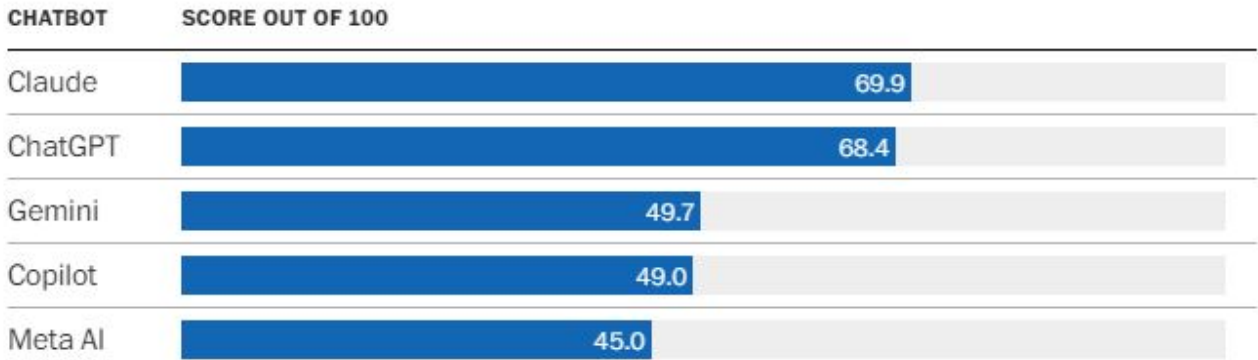


Students are still using AI to get started and brainstorm, find information quickly, and summarize information, but the *frequencies for each use case have changed.*



5. And the overall winner is ...

Claude edged out ChatGPT and left the others in the dust.



Overall winner Claude was also the only model that never hallucinated.

Anecdotal Observations About K12 Students



95% Frequent Usage

High school students who use AI for schoolwork at least once or twice a week.

60-70% High-Frequency Usage

High school students who use AI for schoolwork three days a week or more.

Highly Capable Students

- Understand the consequences of over-reliance on AI and therefore exercise restraint and caution.
- They do not avoid AI entirely, but use it with deliberate responsibility and self-regulation.

Students Needing More Scaffolding

- Often oblivious to the risks or willing to take chances. They seek shortcuts to finish work faster.
- Commonly believe AI will boost their grades, demonstrating the highest need for structured guidance.

2025: Prevalence of AI Tools



[Sign up for our virtual session](#) where we explore the myriad “AI to do your homework” apps and tools marketed to today’s students

Feelings about the availability and volume of AI

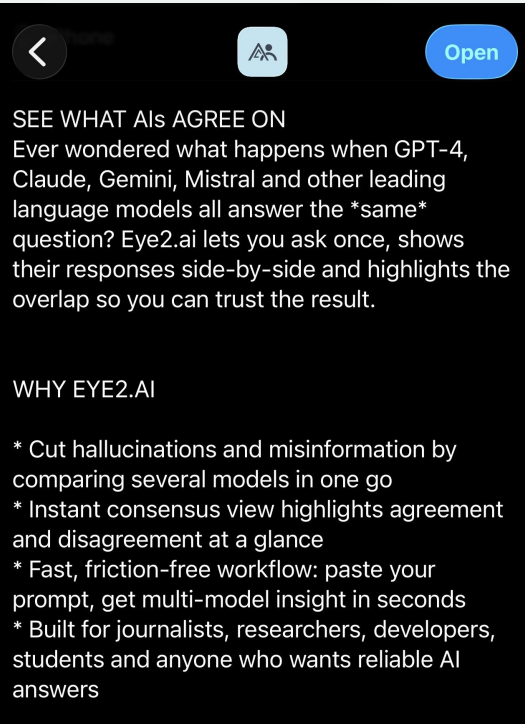
Among surveyed participants, **academic administrators**, **educators**, and **students** feel overwhelmed by the sheer availability and volume of AI, with respondents in India reporting the highest level of concern in this area. This widespread sentiment underscores the need for guidance across the board.



Source: [Turnitin & Vanson Bourne 2025 Survey](#)

2026: Prevalence of AI Tools

This *free* tool is marketed with the idea that if you query an array of LLMs, the outputs that “agree” must be true, and the outlier outputs must be false.

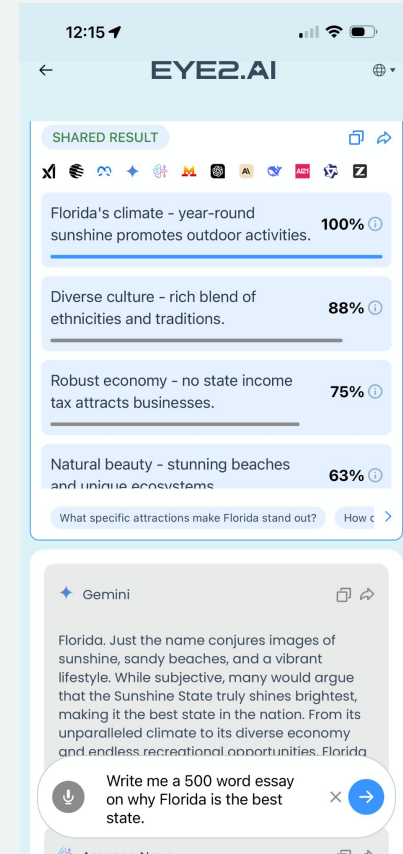


SEE WHAT AIs AGREE ON

Ever wondered what happens when GPT-4, Claude, Gemini, Mistral and other leading language models all answer the **same** question? Eye2.ai lets you ask once, shows their responses side-by-side and highlights the overlap so you can trust the result.

WHY EYE2.AI

- * Cut hallucinations and misinformation by comparing several models in one go
- * Instant consensus view highlights agreement and disagreement at a glance
- * Fast, friction-free workflow: paste your prompt, get multi-model insight in seconds
- * Built for journalists, researchers, developers, students and anyone who wants reliable AI answers



12:15

EYE2.AI

SHARED RESULT

Florida's climate - year-round sunshine promotes outdoor activities. **100%**

Diverse culture - rich blend of ethnicities and traditions. **88%**

Robust economy - no state income tax attracts businesses. **75%**

Natural beauty - stunning beaches and unique ecosystems. **63%**

What specific attractions make Florida stand out? How c

Write me a 500 word essay on why Florida is the best state.

What has Turnitin been doing?

Turnitin affirms guiding principles for responsible AI integration into educational technologies



- AI should help improve learning outcomes and promote and protect academic integrity.
- AI should be intentionally designed to mitigate the impact of unintended biases.
- AI should be designed, developed, and tested by a wide and diverse range of learners and educators, not only engineers and AI scientists.
- AI should be designed to adhere to high standards of privacy and data ownership.
- AI should be built with rigorous and peer-reviewed statistical and machine learning standards.
- AI should be continuously improved to make it more accessible, fair, and beneficial to learners and educators.

How We Got Here:

The Journey to a Modernized Turnitin



2023

AI Writing Detection

Flag potentially AI-generated text to uphold student integrity

2024

Enhanced Similarity Report

Redesigned interface with new match group categorization

2025

Updated Assignment Workflows

Simplified, streamlined assignment workflows with one integrated inbox

2025

New Feedback and Grading Experience

Faster, more flexible feedback tools to boost student engagement

2025

AI Writing Assistance

Bringing transparency into the student writing process

2026

Continuous Improvements

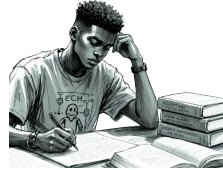
Committed to making Turnitin better with every release

What you have access to



One task, different processes

Assessment Task Set



Student

Students compose their writing, as evidence of their thinking and learning



Student + AI

AI supports parts of the student's thinking or writing processes



AI

AI completes the thinking and produces most or all of the written response

Assess Submissions



Is AI being used to do the work, or to support the learning?

Understanding the **intent** of AI:



AI for Work (Productivity)

Designed to **complete the task**

- quickly
- efficiently
- and with minimal revision

AI will **do** the thinking and perform the skill for you **in seconds**



AI for Learning (Capability)

Designed to **engage the learner**

- guide
- challenge
- but not complete the task

AI will **guide** your thinking and **develop** your skill **over time**

The tension: When **AI Productivity** tools are used to show **student capability**

Educators

I want to allow my students to use AI responsibly

But... I need their work to show what they understand and can do, not what AI understands and can do

Do I have enough evidence to address misuse concerns fairly?



Students

I want to use AI to guide my thinking and improve my writing

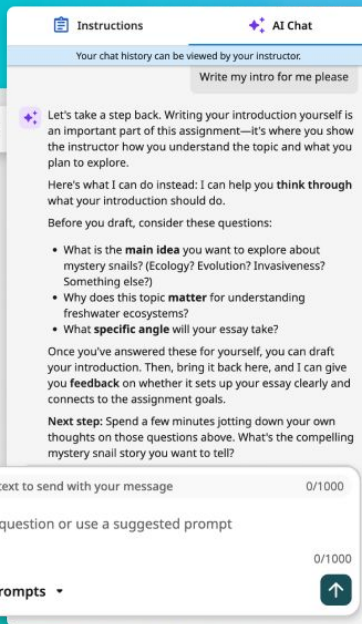
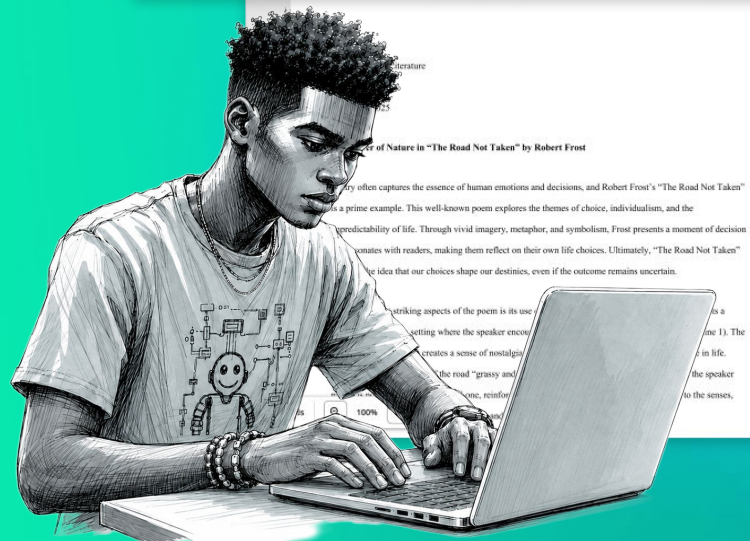
But... I worry that responsible AI use may be treated as misconduct

Will the students who let AI do their work gain an unfair advantage over me?





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AI designed for learning

Students access an **AI Chat** with built-in guardrails, so you can be sure the tool never writes on a student's behalf.

Student writing environment



feedback studio

The Anthracite Coal St...

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The Anthracite Coal Strike of 1902: A Turning Point in U.S. Labor Relations

The Anthracite Coal Strike of 1902 stands as a pivotal moment in the history of labor relations in the United States. This strike, involving 147,000 miners in the Anthracite coal fields of Pennsylvania, highlighted the growing tensions between labor and capital in the early 20th century and set a precedent for federal intervention in labor disputes. This essay explores the causes, key events, outcomes, and historical significance of the strike.

The anthracite coal industry, concentrated in eastern Pennsylvania, was vital to the American economy, providing fuel for homes and industries. However, working conditions in the mines were harsh, with long hours, low wages, and dangerous environments. The United Mine Workers of America (UMWA), led by John Mitchell, sought to improve these conditions by demanding better wages, shorter work hours, and union recognition. When the mine operators, who also controlled

749 words

Instructions Submit AI Assistant

AI Assistant

Your chat history can be viewed by your instructor. AI can make mistakes. Critically review all responses.

Potential Thesis Directions

Suggested Prompts

Selected Text

Suggest Edits Check Grammar/Style

Rephrase Text Make Concise

Getting Started

Make Outline Strengthen Introduction

Brainstorm Ideas Suggest Thesis Suggest Title

Summarize Instructions

Drafting

Suggested Prompts

AI Coach

Timely, actionable feedback based upon instructor writing prompt and rubric

Citation & Grammar Checks

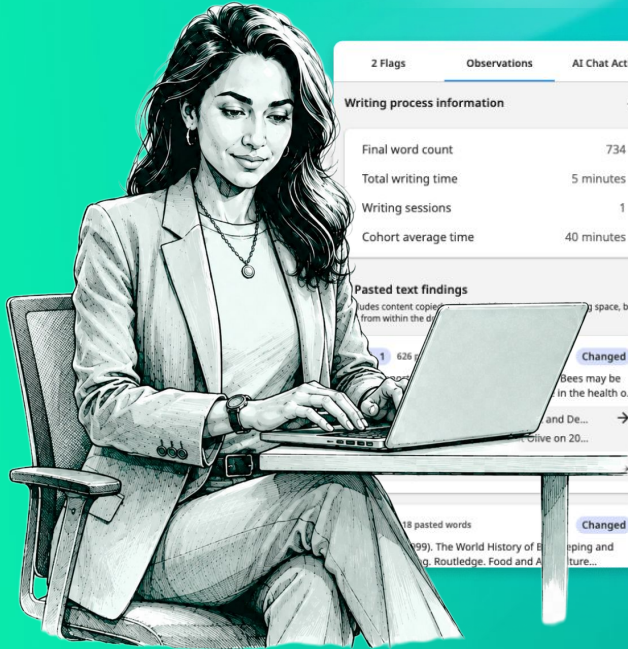
Not automated, require student involvement

Guided prompts

Formative help aligned with the assignment instructions



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2 Flags

Observations

AI Chat Activity

Writing process information

Final word count

734

Total writing time

5 minutes

Writing sessions

1

Cohort average time

40 minutes

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Writing Report

2 Flags

Observations

AI Chat Activity

Writing process

Minimal revision

Few changes were made to the document based on the ratio of typed words to final word count.

Typed words

1

Pasted words

744

Removed words

16

Final word count

734

Reliance on pasted text

Significant pasting throughout writing process

Pasted words make up more than 40% of the total words added to the document during the writing process

Typed words

1

Pasted words

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Removed words

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[See all pasted text](#)

Here's how the student used AI ⓘ

Generated by AI

- Requested guidance on finding credible sources for research.
- Sought MLA formatting assistance for specific references.
- Revised introduction and thesis based on AI suggestions.
- Expanded content on species diversity and ecosystem roles.
- Improved paragraph structure and clarity following AI feedback.
- Focused on enhancing development per rubric criterion guidance.

Full Chat History

Transparency for instructors



Go to Reports and Feedback

Version 7: Revision Activity ⓘ

248 Total | 0 Added T | 0 Removed T | 0 Unchanged pasted T | 0 Changed pasted T

Athena 102 Paper

Turnitin Clarity

Bringing transparency to the writing process

Turnitin Clarity is a transparent writing tool that provides educators with insights into the students' writing process, helping them assess the originality of their students' work. It includes a composition space where students write their assignments, protecting the integrity of written works in an age where emerging challenges such as AI writing are a growing threat.

A view of the writing process, not just the end product

Play

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Session 1

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Writing Report

2 Flags Observations AI Assistant Activity

Writing process

Minimal revision ▼
Few changes were made to the document based on the ratio of typed words to final word count

Reliance on pasted text

Pasted text in final document ▼
Pasted words make up more than 50% of the final word count

Significant pasting throughout writing process ▼
Pasted words make up more than 40% of the total words added to the document during the writing process

Alerts for growth opportunities

Attribution issues, AI misuse, and outliers in the writing process are flagged for review

AI your way

Enable the AI Coach, *or don't*. Includes temperature settings and other refinements

Playback the process

Watch the student write to better understand context

The New Assignment Picker

Create an assignment

[Learn more about our assignment types.](#)

Tools ▾



Standard

Students upload files for submission. Instructors can review work with integrity, feedback, and grading tools.

Similarity Report option



Clarity

Students write and submit in Turnitin Clarity. Instructors can review submissions, instructor-enabled AI chat activity, and the writing process.



Multipart

Students complete linked assignment parts. Instructors can reference previous parts of the assignment as they review, grade, and provide feedback.

New

New option!

Turnitin assignment types



Design the
assessment



Compose the
writing



Assess the writing



Mentor the
student



**Clarity
Assignment**

Students write in the
Student Composition Space
Access to **AI Chat** for learning

Assess the **process** and the
product

Provide **feedback** on the process
and the product



**Standard
Assignment**

Students write in
MS Word, Google Docs, etc
Upload the final piece

Assess the **product**

Provide **feedback** on the
product

Let's take a closer look...



Design the assessment



Clarity Assignment

Best suited for:

- Individual writing tasks
- Essays, reports, case studies and reflections
- **Tasks where insight into the writing process matters**



Standard Assignment

Best suited for:

- Writing created in another word processor
- Assignments using a template or fixed layout
- Group-authored reports
- Long-form theses
- Reports created with specialist software



Let's design an
assignment

Let's take a closer look...



Compose the writing



Clarity Assignment

Students compose and revise in the **Composition Space**, with access to instructor-enabled tools:

- **AI Chat**
- **Spelling and Grammar Check**
- **Citation Check**



Turnitin's AI chat uses assignment instructions and rubric to provide relevant guidance.

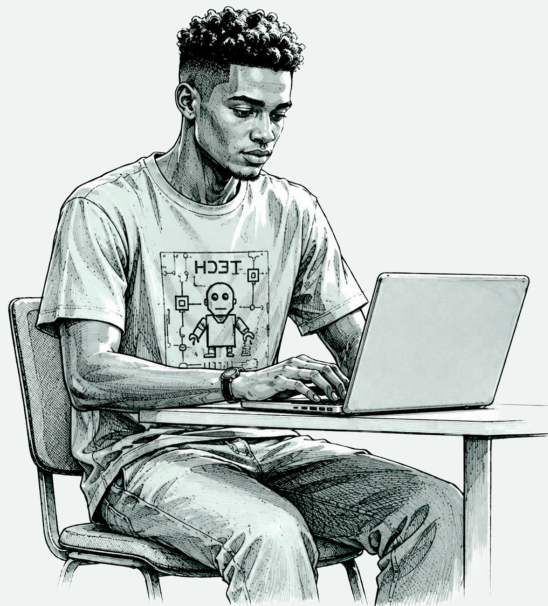


Standard Assignment

Students write in their choice of word processor, such as:

- **Microsoft Word**
- **Google Docs**
- or similar

They then upload the final piece.



Let's see how they do it:
the student experience



Writing with Turnitin Clarity: A guide for students

Why the writing process matters

By focusing on the visibility of the writing process, Turnitin Clarity helps to develop skills that extend beyond the classroom:

- ✓ **Builds transferable skills:** Planning, self-assessment and revision are valuable in all academic and professional areas.
- ✓ **Promotes deeper learning:** Writing is a skill that evolves through practice and effort, by seeking and responding to feedback.
- ✓ **Reinforces academic integrity:** Clarity provides evidence that your work reflects original thinking by tracking drafts and changes.



Before writing

Your writing process is unique—experiment with different strategies and styles to find what works best for you. Prepare for success with these 2 easy steps:

Steps to success

Step 1

Explore the demo featuring:

Assignment details: instructions, start and due dates, points and rubric.

Writing space: grammar and formatting

Step 2

Utilise our effective writing process guide

Prewrite:

Brainstorm and organise ideas (e.g. outlines, mind maps).

Review:

Seek and respond to AI feedback (if enabled) or an instructor.

Edit:

Proofread for grammar, punctuation and sentence structure.

Draft:

Structure your ideas to

Revise:

Refine your thesis.

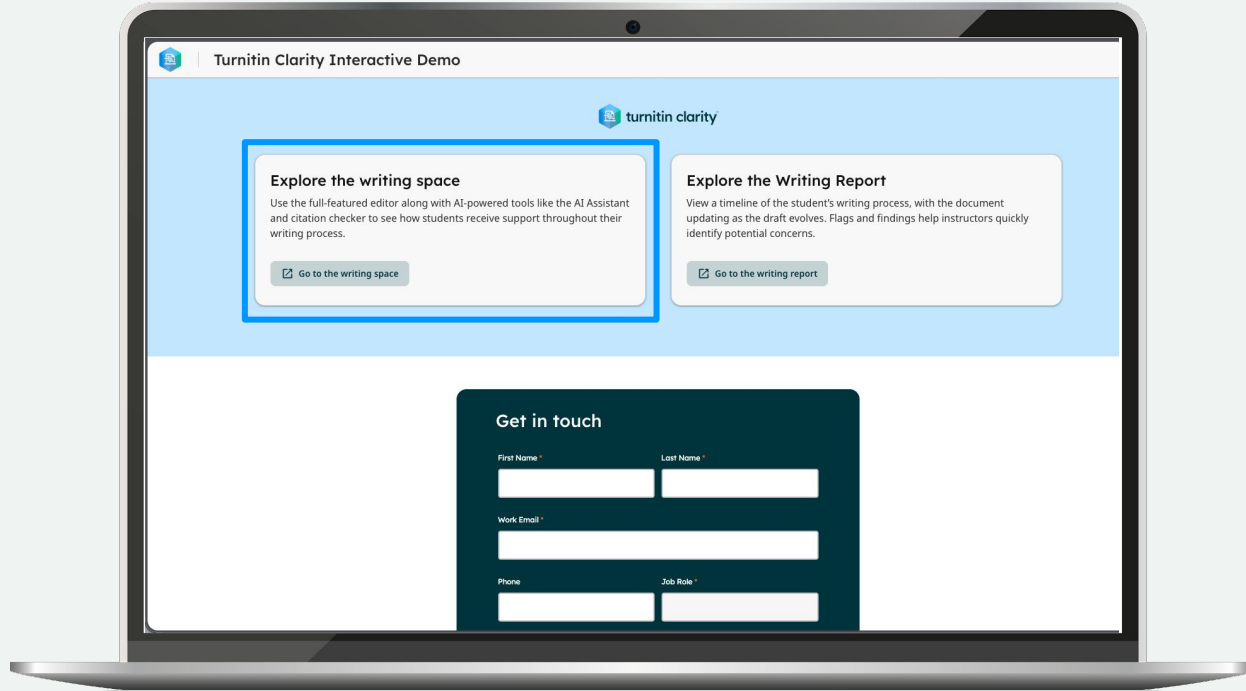
Reflecting:

Review your learning

How does Turnitin Clarity complement the writing process?

- All **drafts autosave** to monitor progress, enable collaboration and ensure academic integrity.
- Including all aspects of an assignment in

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Let's take a closer look...



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Let's see how they do it:
the instructor experience



Interpreting Similarity matches

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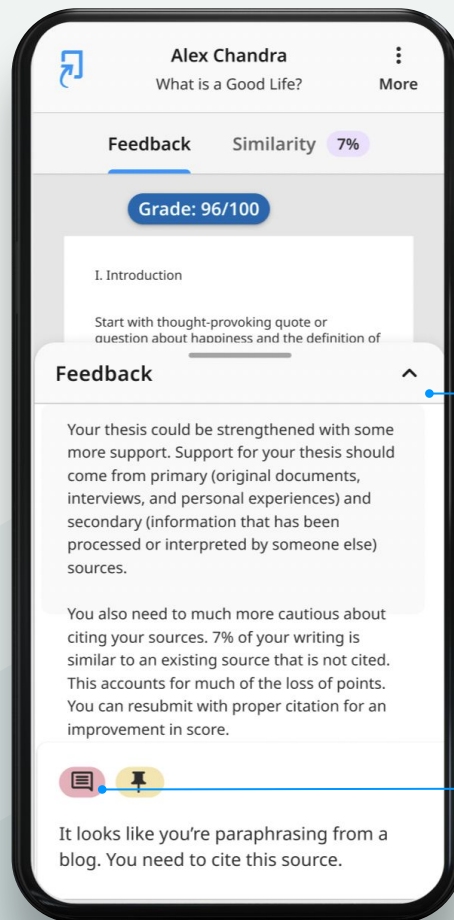


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Feedback on the go



Check grades and feedback from anywhere

Mobile friendly

The most important feedback is pinned front-and-center

Prioritised feedback

Generative AI has made it easier to produce high-quality work, but assessment must still reveal and develop student capability.

Feedback Studio with Clarity helps educators set expectations, support responsible AI-assisted writing, interpret multiple sources of evidence and provide feedback that ***moves learning forward.***

Grading & Feedback Tools

Prioritizing Canvas Tools

Prioritizing Canvas
Speedgrader Tools



Workflow for SpeedGrader

1.

Gradebook ▾

Student Names

Search Students

Apply Filters

Student Name	1. Topic Description (Receipts from Right Now) Out of 100	2. Outline (Receipts from Right Now) Out of 100
Klaes Ashford	-	-
Chrisjen Avasarala	100	100
Amos Burton	-	-
Anderson Dawes	100	100 / 100
Bobbie Draper	-	-

2.

Anderson Dawes

2. Outline (Receipts from Right Now)

SpeedGrader

Workflow for SpeedGrader



- Toggle between writing submission and writing playback
- Collapse Turnitin Feedback panel as needed

The screenshot displays the Turnitin SpeedGrader interface. At the top, a dark header bar shows the document title '2. Outline (Receipts from Right Now)', due date 'Due: Aug 6 at 3:20 PM', and user information 'Chrisjen Avasarala'. Below the header, a navigation bar includes a 'Go to Writing Report' button (highlighted with a red box), similarity percentage (0%), AI Writing (45%), and a 'Feedback' tab (also highlighted with a red box). The main content area shows a document with several paragraphs of text. To the right of the document is a 'Feedback' panel (highlighted with a red box) containing a search bar, 'QuickMark sets' dropdown, and a list of feedback items such as 'Add citation to quotation', 'Add citation to table, figure, image', 'Add quotations', 'Awk.', 'C/S', 'Citation Needed', 'Cite or revise previous work', 'Clear explanation', 'Clear progress of ideas', 'Commonly Confused', 'Convincing word choice', 'Credible author', 'Credible print source', 'Credible source', 'Credible website', 'Del.', 'Effective transition', and 'Engaging dialogue'. On the far right, a sidebar shows submission details: 'Submitted: Aug 6 at 3:21 PM', 'Assessment' (Grade out of 100, Status: Late, Days: 0), and 'Assignment Comments' (Paragraph 2).

Workflow for SpeedGrader



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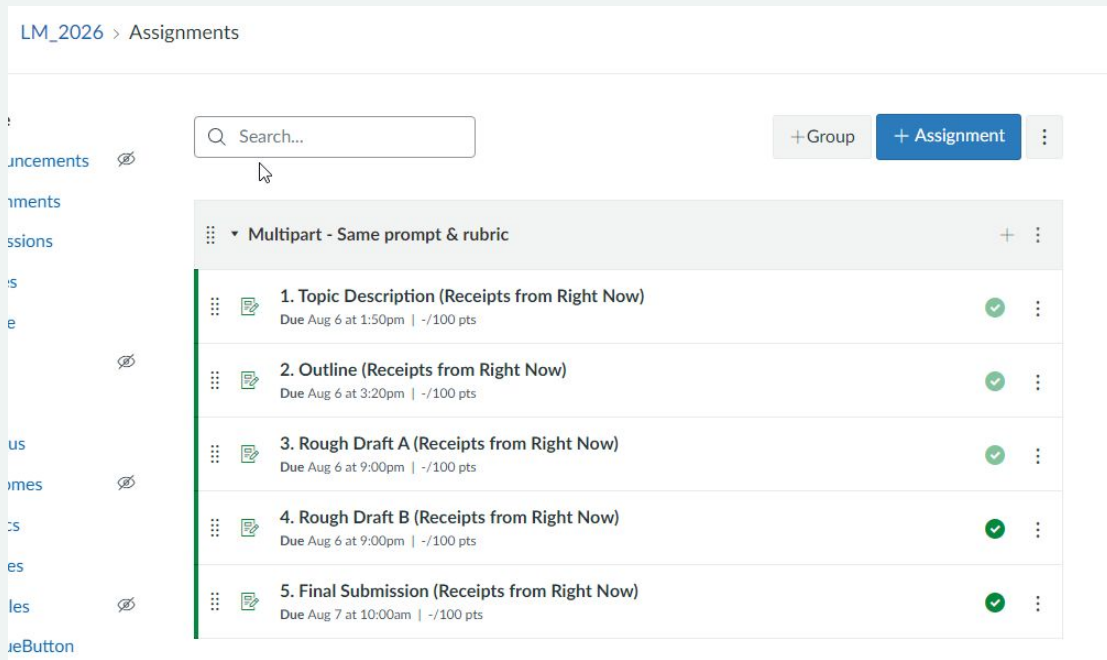
- Top Bar:** Shows the submission title, due date (Aug 6 at 3:20 PM), and user information (Chrisjen Avasarala).
- Left Panel:** Contains the "feedback studio" logo and a "Go to Reports and Feedback" button, which is highlighted with a red box.
- Main Content Area:** Displays the "Writing Report" for the submission. It includes a "Writing process" section with a "Minimal revision" status and a description: "Few changes were made to the document based on the ratio of typed words to final word count".
- Right Panel:** Shows the "Assessment" section with a grade of 100 and a status of "Late". It also includes an "Assignment Comments" section with a paragraph of text.

Grading & Feedback Tools

Prioritizing Turnitin Tools

It all starts on the Assignments tab

Select the name of the assignment you would like to review and grade, and this opens the Clarity inbox.



The screenshot shows the Turnitin 'Assignments' tab for a course labeled 'LM_2026'. At the top, there is a search bar with the placeholder text 'Search...'. To the right of the search bar are two buttons: '+ Group' and '+ Assignment'. Below these elements is a list of assignments under the heading '▼ Multipart - Same prompt & rubric'. The list contains five items, each with a document icon, a title, a due date and time, a point value, and a green checkmark indicating completion. The items are:

- 1. Topic Description (Receipts from Right Now)
Due Aug 6 at 1:50pm | -/100 pts
- 2. Outline (Receipts from Right Now)
Due Aug 6 at 3:20pm | -/100 pts
- 3. Rough Draft A (Receipts from Right Now)
Due Aug 6 at 9:00pm | -/100 pts
- 4. Rough Draft B (Receipts from Right Now)
Due Aug 6 at 9:00pm | -/100 pts
- 5. Final Submission (Receipts from Right Now)
Due Aug 7 at 10:00am | -/100 pts

Overview of the Clarity inbox



When students have submitted work late, this appears with a red clock icon

2. Outline (Receipts from Right Now)

Review the assignment for details.

2. Outline (Receipts from Right Now) Part 2

Show Details

Edit Settings

Submission list

Insights

Download

Resync Grades

Student / Title	Submitted	Grade	Similarity	AI Wri...	Clarity	View...	More
Chrisjen Avasarala Outline	Aug 06, 2026 3:21 PM	100	0%	45%	1		
Anderson Dawes Outline	Aug 06, 2026 3:13 PM	100	0%		1		
Clarissa Mao Outline	Aug 06, 2026 3:08 PM	100	0%		1		

Overview of the Clarity inbox



1. Topic Description (Receipts from Right Now)

When students have viewed the feedback, a checkmark appears

1. Topic Description (Receipts from Right Now) Part 1

Show Details Edit Settings ?

Submission list Insights

Search Download Resync Grades

Student / Title	Submitted	Grade	Similarity	AI Writing	Clarity	Viewed	More
Chrisjen Avasarala I'm a working older adult	Aug 06, 2026 1:44 PM	100	0%	45%	1		
Anderson Dawes What happened to the college experience?	Aug 06, 2026 1:44 PM	100	0%	0%	2	✓	
Test Student		--	--	--	--		
Clarissa Mao The International Student Experience	Aug 06, 2026 1:39 PM	100	0%	0%	0		

Feedback Tools



Included feedback tools

- Quickmarks
- Inline comments
- Additional Comments
- Summary

The screenshot displays the Turnitin Feedback Tools interface. At the top, the Turnitin logo is on the left, and navigation links for Download, Details, and Help are on the right. The document title is "1 of 3: Chrisjen Avasarala" with a subtitle "I'm a working older adult". The grade is set to 100 / 100. Below the title bar, there are tabs for "Go to Writing Report", "Similarity 0%", "AI Writing 45%", "Flags", "Feedback", and "Rubrics". A "View Parts" button is on the far right.

The main document area shows a text excerpt with several inline comments. The first comment, "Great topic", is highlighted in green. The second comment, "Persuasive support", is also highlighted in green. The third comment, "Clear explanation", is highlighted in green. The text excerpt reads: "No disrespect to younger adults, but I'm an older adult and so out of necessity I can't write about any other experience but my own—which is that I'm a working single mom in my 40s. I think the things I would like to include in my writing talk about the stark differences older students are often living with. I know 'traditional' students of all ages are much busier than they used to be a few decades ago, but I'm pretty sure working single parents are in a class all their own in terms of being pressed for time. For my one moment in time, I thought I would write about a description of a conversation I had with my 2nd grader, while taking her to school in the morning—trying to juggle prepping to complete an assignment with my 2nd grader asking me questions about the world around us. I've also considered the vignette where we had an ice storm that took out power in my neighborhood for 2 weeks, and a single, childless professor refused to give me an extension. I actually sent images of my house with tree branches that had crashed through the ceiling, and linked to news articles showing the devastation in my neighborhood and she still said no. No disrespect to that professor, but the assignment was an outline of the first 6

On the right side, there is a "Feedback" sidebar. It has two tabs: "QuickMarks" (selected) and "Summary". Below the tabs is a search bar labeled "Search QuickMarks". Underneath is a section for "QuickMark sets" with a dropdown menu set to "Strengths and Opport..." and a gear icon. Below this is a button labeled "+ Create QuickMark". The sidebar is sorted by "A-Z (Default)". It lists several QuickMarks with icons and descriptions: "Add citation to quotation", "Add citation to table, figure, Im...", "Add quotations", "Awk.", "C/S", "Citation Needed", "Cite or revise previous work", "Clear explanation", "Clear progress of ideas", "Commonly Confused", and "Convincing word choice".

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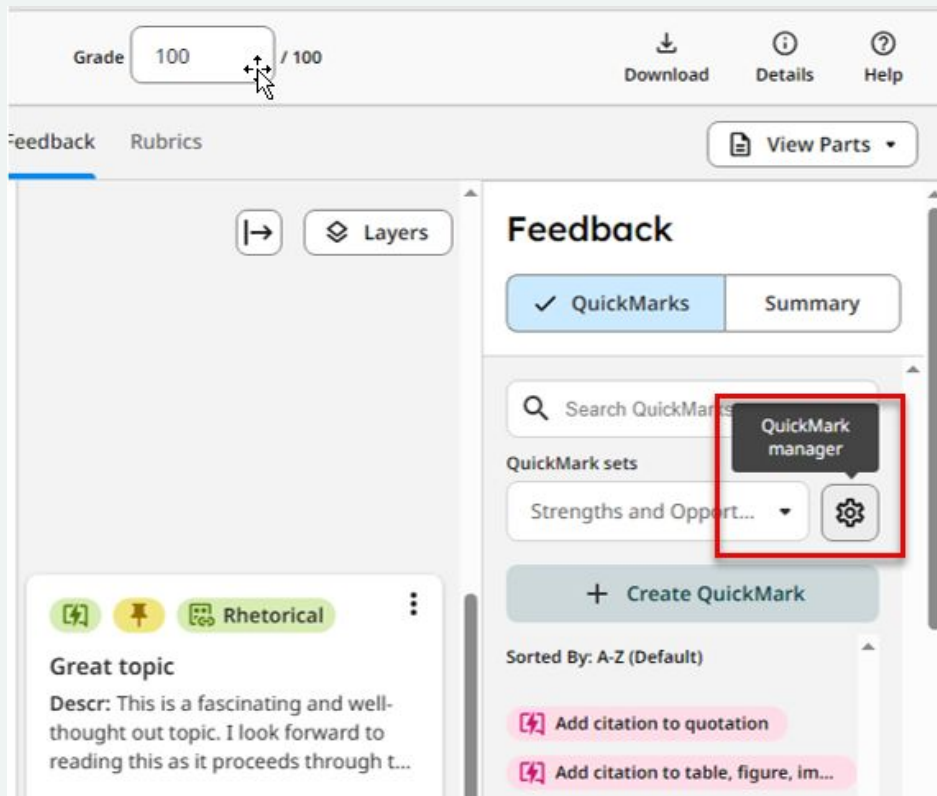


- Pinnable QuickMarks
- QuickMarks can be linked to Rubric criterion
- Video and audio summary comments

The screenshot displays the Turnitin Feedback Studio interface for a student named Anderson Dawes. The top navigation bar includes the Turnitin logo, a breadcrumb trail '2 of 3: Anderson Dawes', a grade of 100/100, and links for Download, Details, and Help. Below this, a toolbar contains 'Go to Writing Report', 'Similarity 0%', 'AI Writing 0%', 'Flags', 'Feedback', 'Rubrics', and 'View Parts'. The main text area shows a student's essay about college housing. Three QuickMarks are pinned to the text: 'Great topic' (green), 'Clear progress of ideas' (green), and 'Clear progress of ideas' (green). A blue comment at the bottom of the text reads 'This sounds like it must have been terrible!'. On the right, the 'Feedback' panel is active, showing 'QuickMarks' and 'Summary' tabs. Below these are sections for 'Video Summary' (with a video player) and 'Summary Comment' (with a text comment: 'Great job, please feel free to view my video comment.').

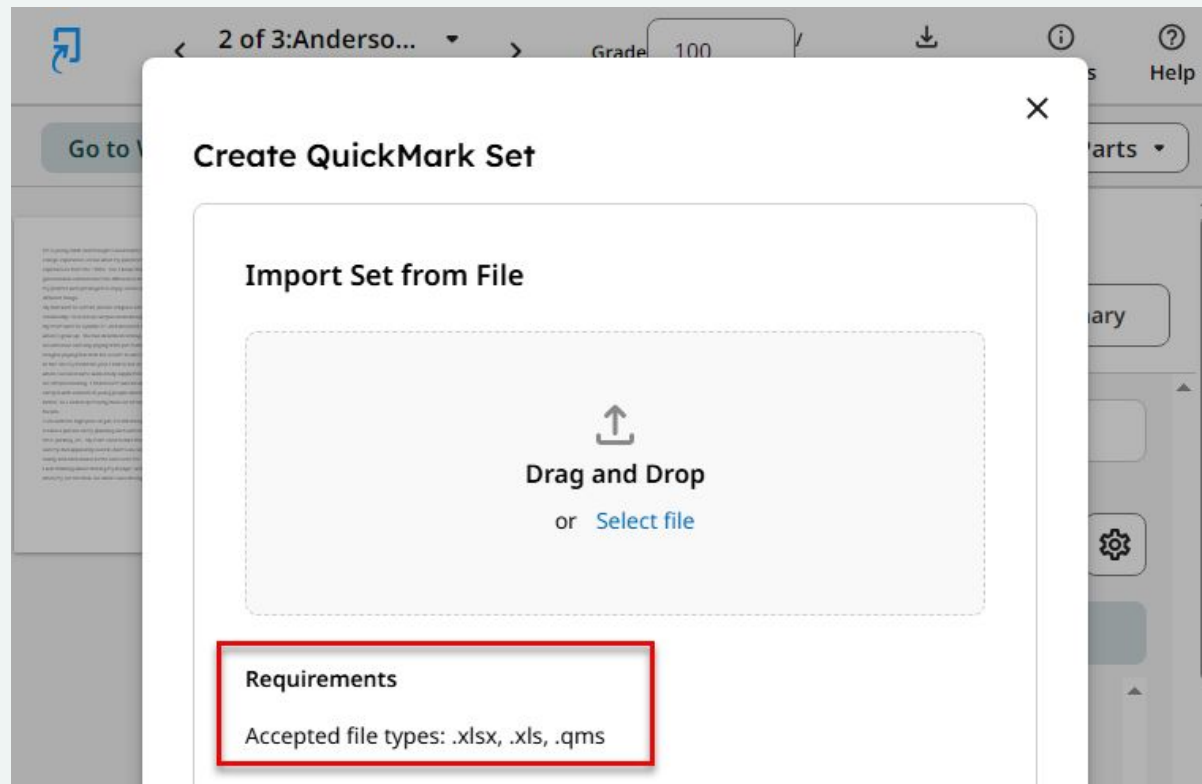
QuickMarks

- Toggle between existing QuickMarks sets
- Add QuickMarks on the fly while grading
- Open the QuickMark manager to create new sets, including import/export QuickMark sets between colleagues.



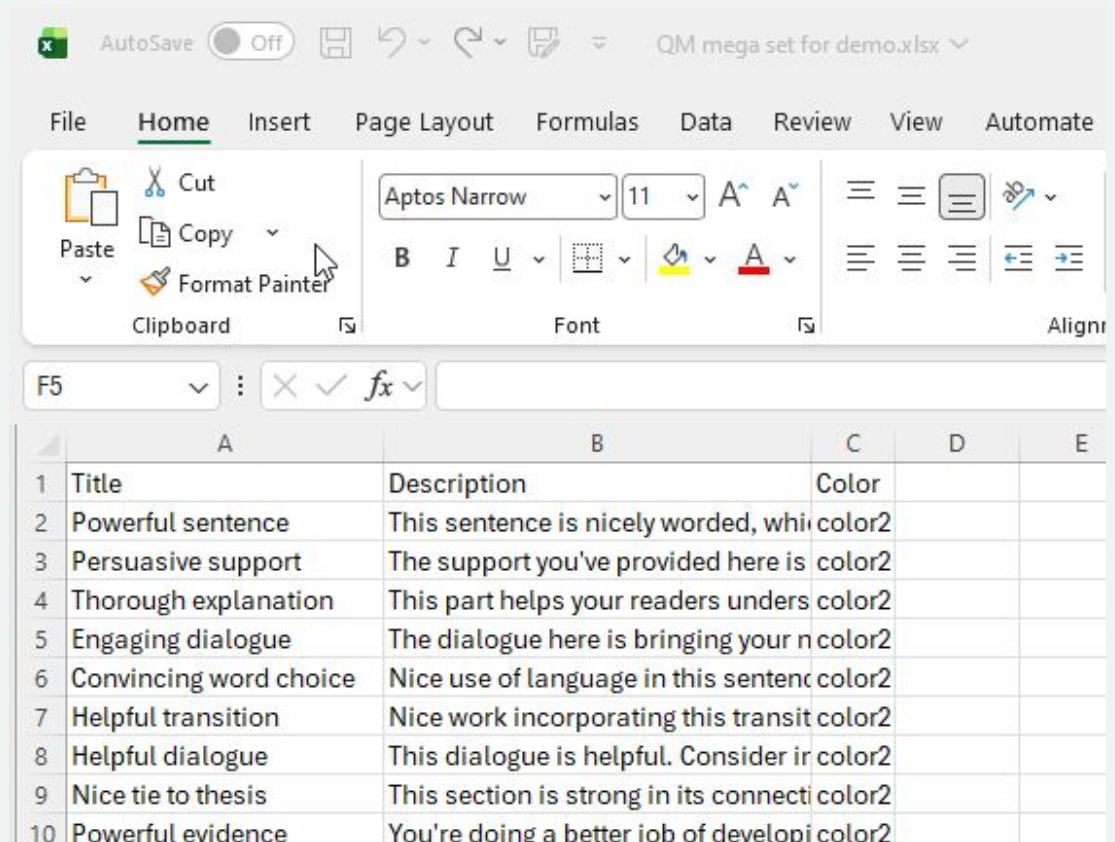
QuickMarks

- QuickMark sets can be imported and exported as these file types:
 - .xlsx
 - .xls
 - .qms (Turnitin's QuickMark specific file type)



QuickMarks Tip

- You may want to construct new QuickMark sets from a spreadsheet to later import
- The spreadsheet should be formatted with the columns for Title, Description and Color
 - Blue = color1
 - Green = color2
 - Pink = color3



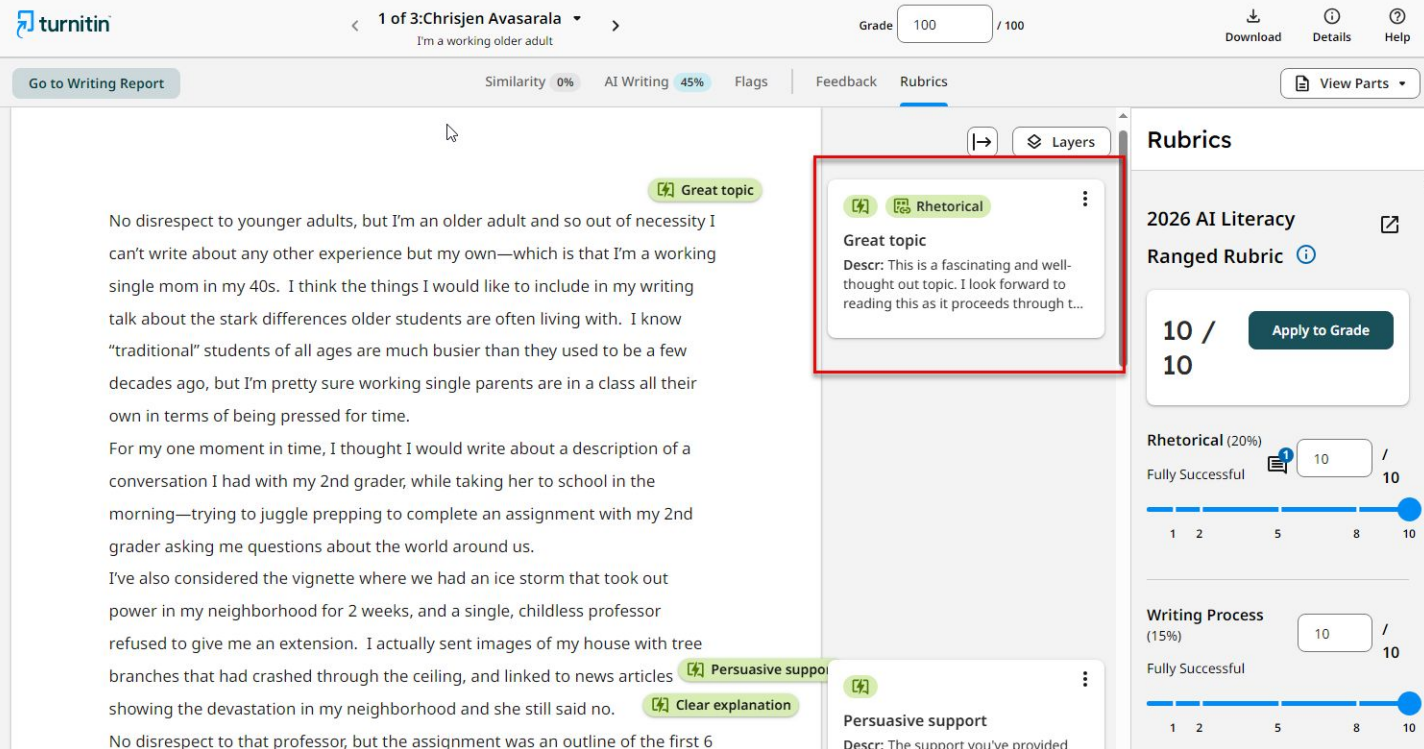
The screenshot shows the Microsoft Excel interface. The ribbon is set to the 'Home' tab. The font is 'Aptos Narrow' and the size is '11'. The spreadsheet has columns labeled A, B, C, D, and E. The first row (row 1) has headers: 'Title' in column A, 'Description' in column B, and 'Color' in column C. The subsequent rows (rows 2-10) contain text in columns A and B, and a color code in column C. The color codes are 'color2' for rows 2-10.

	A	B	C	D	E
1	Title	Description	Color		
2	Powerful sentence	This sentence is nicely worded, whi	color2		
3	Persuasive support	The support you've provided here is	color2		
4	Thorough explanation	This part helps your readers unders	color2		
5	Engaging dialogue	The dialogue here is bringing your n	color2		
6	Convincing word choice	Nice use of language in this sentenc	color2		
7	Helpful transition	Nice work incorporating this transit	color2		
8	Helpful dialogue	This dialogue is helpful. Consider ir	color2		
9	Nice tie to thesis	This section is strong in its connect	color2		
10	Powerful evidence	You're doing a better job of developi	color2		

Rubrics

Included feedback tools

- Quickmarks can be linked to rubric criterion.
- Ranged rubrics can award partial point values.



The screenshot displays the Turnitin interface for a student named Chrisjen Avasarala. The main text area shows a student's writing with several quickmarks: "Great topic", "Persuasive support", and "Clear explanation". The Rubrics panel on the right shows a "2026 AI Literacy Ranged Rubric" with a score of 10/10. The rubric includes criteria for "Rhetorical" (20%) and "Writing Process" (15%), both of which are fully successful. The "Rhetorical" criterion is highlighted with a red box, showing a description: "This is a fascinating and well-thought out topic. I look forward to reading this as it proceeds through t...". The "Writing Process" criterion is also shown with a description: "The support you've provided".

Turnitin

1 of 3: Chrisjen Avasarala

Grade 100 / 100

Download Details Help

Go to Writing Report

Similarity 0% AI Writing 45% Flags Feedback Rubrics View Parts

Rubrics

2026 AI Literacy Ranged Rubric

10 / 10 Apply to Grade

Rhetorical (20%) Fully Successful 10 / 10

Writing Process (15%) Fully Successful 10 / 10

Great topic

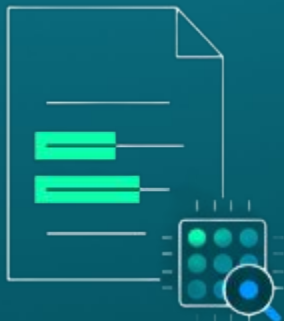
Descr: This is a fascinating and well-thought out topic. I look forward to reading this as it proceeds through t...

Persuasive support

Descr: The support you've provided

Clear explanation

Turnitin's AI Writing Indication



Turnitin affirms guiding principles for responsible AI integration into educational technologies



- AI should help improve learning outcomes and promote and protect academic integrity.
- AI should be intentionally designed to mitigate the impact of unintended biases.
- AI should be designed, developed, and tested by a wide and diverse range of learners and educators, not only engineers and AI scientists.
- AI should be designed to adhere to high standards of privacy and data ownership.
- AI should be built with rigorous and peer-reviewed statistical and machine learning standards.
- AI should be continuously improved to make it more accessible, fair, and beneficial to learners and educators.

A History of AI at Turnitin



How it started...

2014 - 2020

Turnitin begins to build its AI portfolio through the development of AI-powered tools that address the growing issue of essay mills and contract cheating and the strategic acquisition of AI-enabled technologies.

2020

OpenAI releases Generative Pre-training Transformer 3 (GPT-3), an autoregressive language model that uses deep learning to produce human-like text. Turnitin begins research on generative AI detection capabilities.

2021

Turnitin continues research and development around detecting paraphrased writing, AI writing, and the next generation of AI-powered item authoring as well as grading and feedback tools for all assessment types.

2022

OpenAI releases ChatGPT in November 2022, based on GPT-3.5. The application makes the technology more accessible. Turnitin accelerates development of an AI writing detector, connecting with educators to refine the key features of its capabilities.

Recent history

February 2023

Turnitin announces intent to release AI writing detection capabilities.

March 2023

OpenAI's newest model, GPT-4, is released and features plugins that allow it to access to new sources of information, including the web and specific websites, potentially turning the system into a wide-ranging interface for all sorts of services and sites.

April 2023

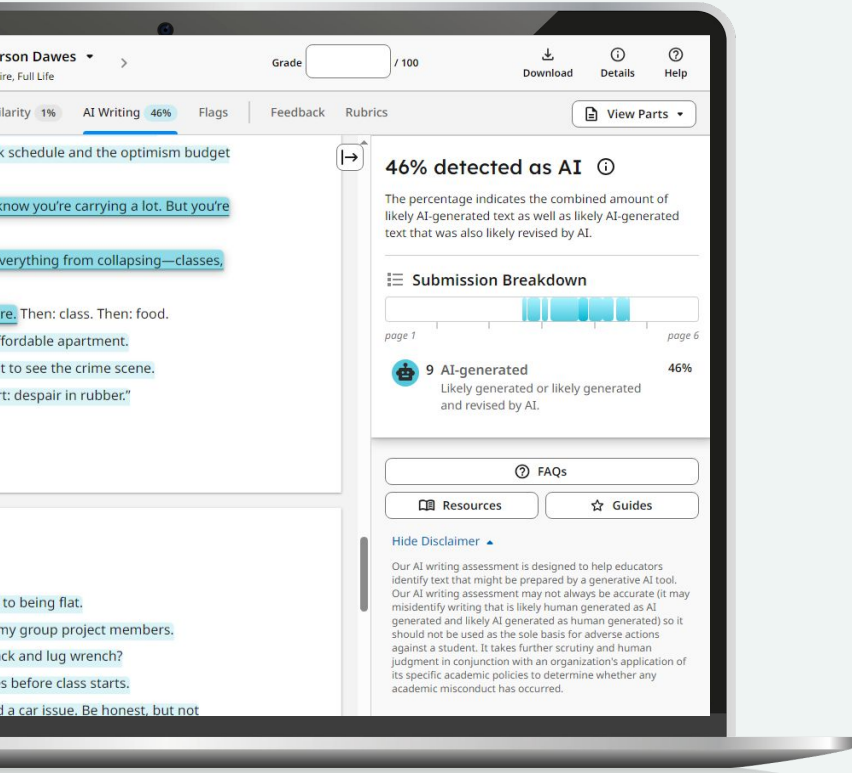
Turnitin releases a preview of its AI writing detection capabilities for educators and institutions into existing workflows.

What do we know about AI-assisted writing?



Human Writing	LLM Writing
Humans learn through a combination of neural networks and cognitive processes.	LLMs learn language through statistical analysis of large text datasets.
Human linguistic performance is grounded in grammar, with a complex hierarchical structure.	LLMs generate language in a linear manner, predicting the next most likely token (word choice) in a sequence.
Human writing exhibits unique stylometry, a unique voice.	LLMs leave a statistical footprint or baseline which is not the same as human stylometry.
Humans are free to say anything in their writing.	LLMs cannot say just anything. They must follow the statistical protocols that are part of their data set training.
There are places where human writing may overlap with LLM writing. Human-generated poetry is an example of this.	There are places where LLM writing may overlap with human writing. LLM-generated technical writing can sometimes provide examples of this.

Simplified AI Writing Report (new as of August 2026)



AI writing report

The indicator is linked to the AI writing report which highlights the text segments that our model predicts were written by AI.

- Likely AI-generated, AI-generated and paraphrased, or AI-edited highlighted in blue

Currently only instructors and administrators are able to see the indicator and access the report.

The report can be downloaded and saved as a PDF, allowing instructors to share it with students if they wish.

By early 2027 we hope to surface AI Indication information for students as well.

About AI Bypasser Detection



What Are AI Bypassers?



StealthGPT



Hix Bypass



BypassGPT

- AI Bypassers (aka "humanizers") are algorithms and models that take AI generated text and seek to make the content undetectable by AI detectors.
- There are many AI Bypassers, but some of the big ones have APIs and act as central pillars of the AI Bypasser industry.
- Initially we targeted the top three API-enabled AI Bypassers with our first AI Bypasser specific detection model.

When Interpreting an AI Report



Strong Points

- Long-form English prose
- Can detect content from an array of LLMs*
- Tools based on the above LLMs
- False positives <1%
- “Do no harm”
- Contextualized review of student work
- Continued development

Points to Consider

- What AI-assisted tools have students used? (Grammarly, paraphrasing tools, adaptive technologies & more)
- Less than 20% AI writing detected will not be displayed
- Assignment parameters

Not Supported*

- Technical writing (including resumes, ~~tables~~ & lists)
- Poetry & song lyrics
- Other LLM-generated content not listed
- Text strings under 300 words
- Decontextualized review
- Paraphrase detection not run on human-written works

Can I use the Turnitin AI Indicator as the sole means by which I confirm cases of academic integrity?

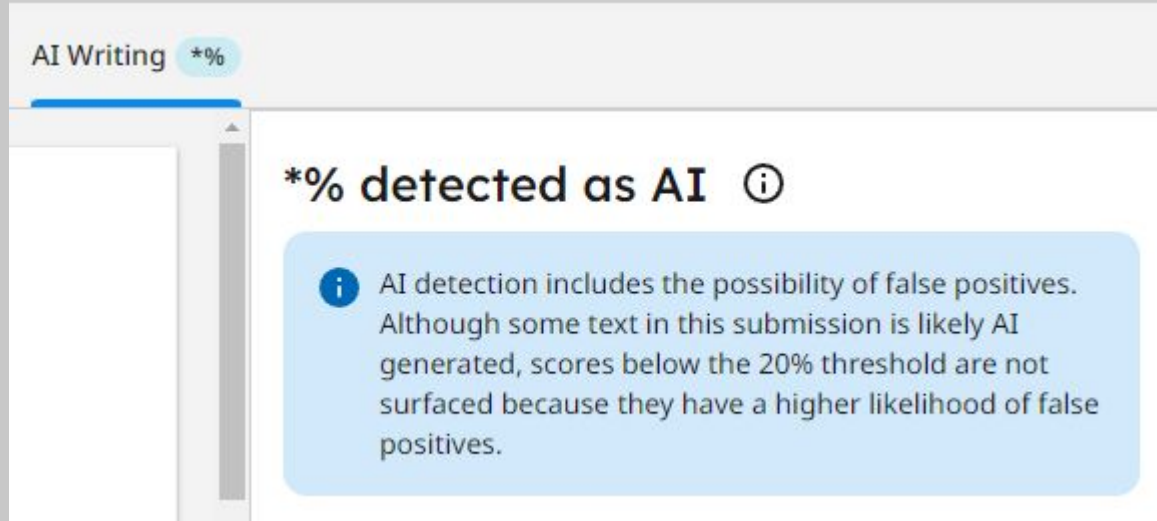


How should instructors interpret the results?

Turnitin's AI writing detection capabilities provide data and insight to enable educators to start a formative conversation with their students in conjunction with their academic misconduct policies. The final decision on whether any misconduct has occurred rests with the reviewer/instructor. Turnitin does not make a determination of misconduct; rather, it provides tools to assist its customers understand how AI tools are being used at their institution.

What do instructors now see, when less than 20% AI is detected?

NEW



The screenshot shows a Turnitin interface with a header 'AI Writing' followed by a light blue circle containing '*%'. Below this, a white box contains the text '*% detected as AI' followed by an information icon (i). A light blue callout box contains an information icon (i) and the text: 'AI detection includes the possibility of false positives. Although some text in this submission is likely AI generated, scores below the 20% threshold are not surfaced because they have a higher likelihood of false positives.'

Note: False positive statistics <20% are seen by our engineering team and are calculated in our overall false positive rate testing and tuning.

Do No Harm in Action



The AI Indicator will often skip “zones of transition” between human writing and AI-generated content.

Similarity 7%FlagsAI Writing 78%

ChatGPT4o, bold = human

Canadian Values and Their Role in Developing Unique Technological Solutions

Canada has gained international recognition not only for its innovation in technology but also for its unique approach to problem-solving, which is closely tied to its cultural and societal values. Canadian values, such as multiculturalism, environmental stewardship, and social equity, have fostered an environment where technological solutions are created with the intention of addressing broad, inclusive challenges. These values, embedded within the national identity, drive technological advancements that are socially responsible, globally aware, and environmentally conscious. The values of inclusivity and sustainability have shaped Canadian technology in ways that set it apart from other nations.

One key Canadian value influencing technology development is multiculturalism, which fosters diverse perspectives and innovative thinking. Canada's commitment to welcoming immigrants from around the world has created a technology sector that thrives on collaboration among people from various backgrounds and cultures. This diversity drives creative problem-solving and encourages the development of technologies that serve diverse populations (Government of Canada, 2021). For example, innovations in language translation software and culturally adaptive artificial intelligence systems stem directly from Canada's multicultural ethos. By embracing diverse perspectives, Canadian technology becomes more adaptable and sensitive to the needs of a global population.

Another example of this are the array of studies and reports drawing attention to tech tools, including AI, and the ways in which these technologies could help new immigrants to Canada. The state of Alberta has a program focusing on helping “lavender railroad” refugees, LGBTQIA people from Middle Eastern countries, which includes providing access to technology tools, as well as training. This ensures that new arrivals have the chance to become more prosperous and contribute to their new home. While Alberta is a more conservative province, compared to others in Canada, this welcoming multiculturalism is still a strongly demonstrated Canadian value.

Environmental sustainability, another deeply rooted Canadian value, has played a crucial role in the creation of green technology and environmentally responsible innovations. With vast natural resources and a population invested in environmental protection, Canada has become a leader in developing sustainable and climate-focused energy solutions to maintain economic growth. This

78% detected as AI ⓘ

The percentage indicates the combined amount of likely AI-generated text as well as likely AI-generated text that was also likely AI-paraphrased.

Submission Breakdown

page 1

page 2

3 AI-generated only	78%
Likely AI-generated text from a large-language model.	
0 AI-generated text that was AI-paraphrased	0%
Likely AI-generated text that was likely revised using an AI-paraphrase tool or word spinner.	

FAQs

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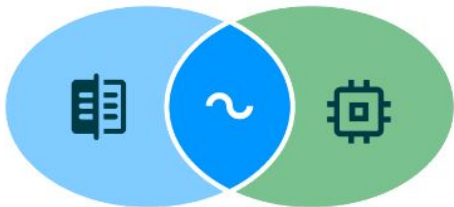
Guides

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Important similarities & differences between the Similarity Score & the AI writing Indicator



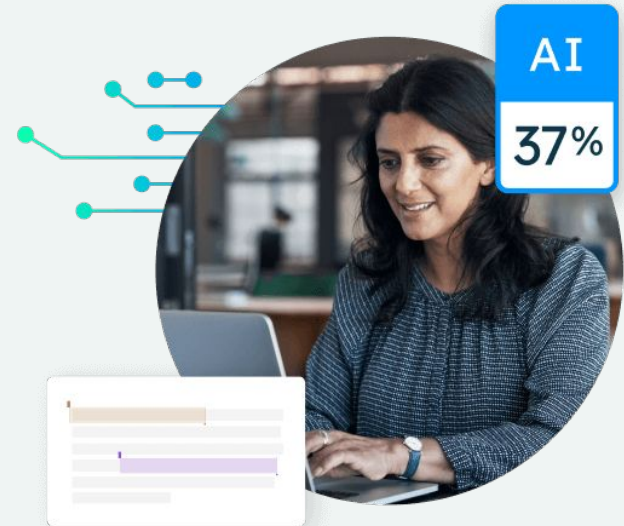
 Turnitin's Similarity Score	 Similarities	 Turnitin's AI writing indicator
The percentage represents the amount of a submitted paper's content that matches content within Turnitin's databases .	Neither percentage should be used as a standalone data point in determining whether academic integrity has been compromised.	The percentage indicates the amount of qualifying text within the submission that Turnitin's AI writing identification model determines was generated by AI .
	Both percentages should be used to begin a conversation with a student.	
The score represents exact matches to text/segments of human written text .	Both percentages should be considered in the context of a particular assignment , its parameters, and knowledge about the student.	The number doesn't present exact matches , but a percentage of text that was likely generated by AI .
	The educator/reviewer determines the significance of the percentage(s) and next steps.	
	Both percentages might point to a student need for more instruction , e.g. clarity on paraphrasing or in-text citations, etc.	

To explore more ideas about academic integrity in the age of AI, visit www.turnitin.com/resources/academic-integrity-in-the-age-of-AI



Are there any file requirements for AI writing and paraphrase detection?

- File size must be less than 100 MB
- File must have at least 300 words of prose text in a long-form writing format
- File must not exceed 30,000 words
- File must be written in English
- Accepted file types: .docx, .pdf, .txt, .rtf
- For paraphrase detection to operate, >20% AI must be flagged



What does this mean for your assignments?



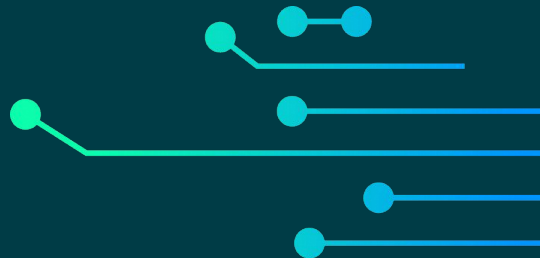
The combination of word minimum thresholds, supported file submission types, and the requirement for long form English prose as well as the presence of non-long form English prose document elements can produce unexpected results with the AI indicator.

Document Features	Possible Results
Lists (numbered or bulleted)	The AI indicator may decline to read lists
Numbered or bulleted sections with the possibility for each text segment to have fewer than 300 words of long-form English prose	The AI indicator might overlook text near numbers or bullets. If individual answers are under 300 words, AI indication may not be available. (May want to consider using tables.)
Tables	Based upon instructor feedback, the Turnitin AI indicator now reviews long-form, English prose within tables, provided the 300 word minimum is met. Column with long form English prose should be <i>widest</i> column of the table.
HTML (some LMSs have a text submission features which are HTML-based and may convert a document without student knowledge)	The AI indicator will not read HTML and may yield no report or a 0% report.
Short documents with a high percentage of profession or discipline-specific jargon	The AI indicator may view discipline-specific jargon as repetitive, so professors will want to evaluate results in context.

What about privacy?



- Turnitin's [Services Privacy Policy](#) is available for public review.
- Turnitin's [End User License Agreement](#) is available for public review.
- Turnitin's [Guiding Principles for Responsible Integration of AI Integration Into Educational Technologies](#) is available for public review.



AI Indication Roadmap



AI Improvements to Date



All improvements are based upon administrator, instructor and student feedback.

Administrator statistics for visibility into AI writing scores above individual submission level

Expanding capability to work with more LLMs

Demonstrated no statistically significant bias against second language learners

Improved subaccount configuration options

Released 1st version of Clarity, Turnitin's student writing space

Increased maximum word count to 30K

Revised focus to most actionable data

AI Indication scores surface in inbox (LTI 1.3 integration and turnitin.com experience only)

Held to <1% false positive rate

PDF download of AI Report

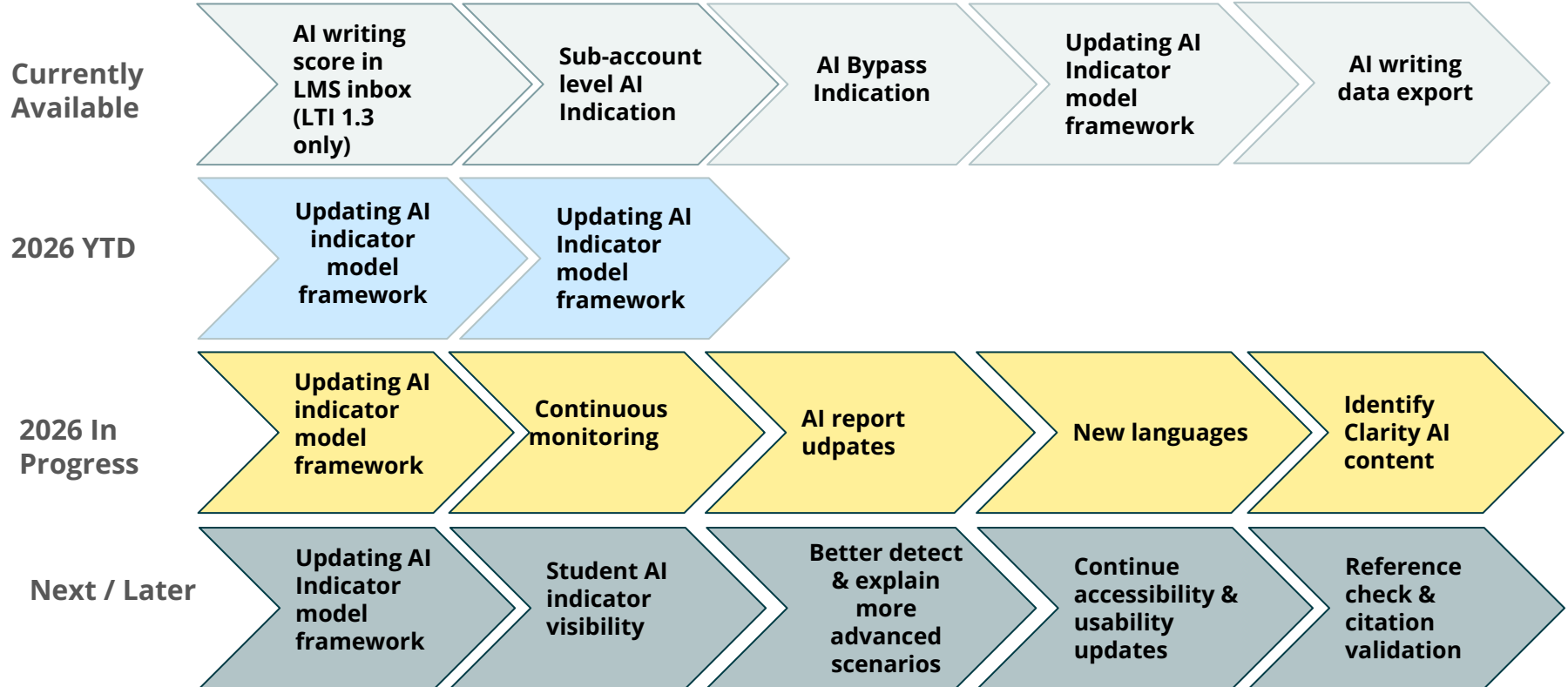
Paraphrase detection

Regularly updating resources to inform educators about working with the AI Indicator and to address false positives

AI Indication available for Spanish, Japanese

Increased testing of new models and tools as they emerge

AI Indication Updates*

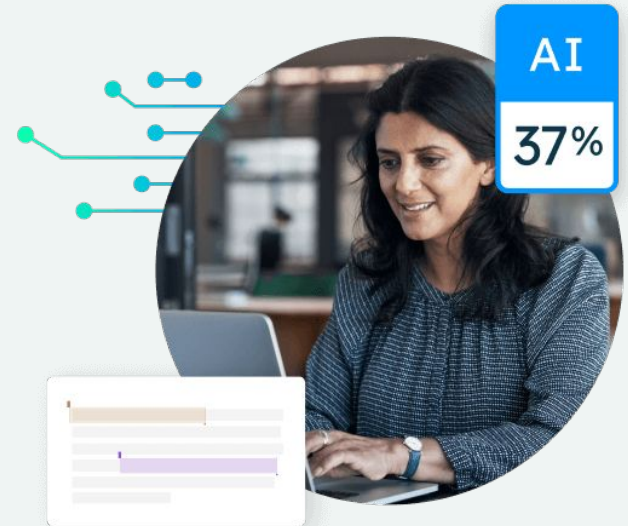


AI Indicator Minimum Requirements



Are there any file requirements for AI writing and paraphrase detection?

- File size must be less than 100 MB
- File must have at least 300 words of prose text in a long-form writing format
- File must not exceed 30,000 words
- File must be written in English
- Accepted file types: .docx, .pdf, .txt, .rtf
- For paraphrase detection to operate, >20% AI must be flagged



What does this mean for your assignments?



The combination of word minimum thresholds, supported file submission types, and the requirement for long form English prose as well as the presence of non-long form English prose document elements can produce unexpected results with the AI indicator.

Document Features	Possible Results
Lists (numbered or bulleted)	The AI indicator may decline to read lists
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Interactions with other tools



What about Grammarly?



If students use Grammarly for grammar checks, does Turnitin detect it and flag it as AI?

No. Our detector is not tuned to target Grammarly-generated spelling, grammar, and punctuation modifications to content but rather, other AI content written by LLMs such as GPT-3.5. Based on tests we conducted on human-written documents with no AI-generated content in them, in most cases, changes made by Grammarly (free & premium) and/or other grammar-checking tools were not flagged as AI-written by our detector. Please note that this excludes content generated by Grammarly's generative AI-powered features, including draft generation, paraphrasing, summarizing, and other features. Content produced using these features will likely be flagged as AI-generated by our detector.

If I use Grammarly's paraphrasing tool, will it flag my content as AI-generated? ?

Yes, if Grammarly's paraphrasing tool is used to modify AI-generated text, it will likely be flagged as AI-generated by our detector.

What about paraphrase tools?

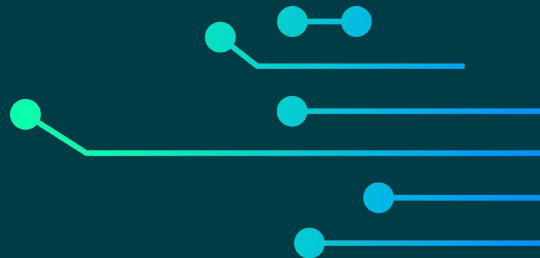


Can Turnitin detect if content has been paraphrased using an AI paraphrasing tool?

Yes, Turnitin's AI indicator includes detection of AI-generated content that may have been paraphrased using a word spinner/AI paraphrasing tool. This technology is run automatically for all submissions to Turnitin by institutions that have the AI writing indicator enabled for their accounts.

In the AI writing report, likely AI-generated or AI-bypassed content and AI-generated content that was likely AI paraphrased are highlighted in different colors to enable instructors and other users to interpret results easily.

AI Indicator Research



AI Indicator Research Over Time



How it started...

Recent history

Early 2023

First reports released that claim AI Indication is always biased against second language learners (Liang et. al.). Turnitin not part of the testing sample. Later, these claims cannot be reproduced or are discredited. Other AI Indication testing fails to take into account system requirements for any of the tools tested.

April 2023

Pre-April 2023 article and some social media posts claim Turnitin flags the US Constitution as AI. When tested day of the release of the Turnitin AI Indicator, US Constitution does not flag as AI.. Several other posts state problems with AI Indication, but not adhering to the AI Indicator system requirements and testing out of scope content types (such as resumes).

October 2023

Weber-Wulff et al and Walters confirm Turnitin AI Indicator <1% false positive rate. Both are start of research confirming that well-built and well maintained AI Indicators can yield low false positive rates. They also confirm poorly built and poorly maintained AI Indicators cannot provide these results.

October 2023

Turnitin released updated results of our retesting of AI Indication of 2nd language learners; confirms no statistically significant bias against 2nd language learners. The new protocol is so effective, it's added as an additional layer of vetting for all possible AI Indication models.

April & August 2024

Chaka confirms that Turnitin AI Indicator does not have statistically significant bias against 2nd language learners. Jian et al confirms that AI Indicators designed to consider 2nd language learners do not exhibit bias against 2nd language learners. These studies again distinguish between well built and poorly built AI Indicators.

December 2024

Christopher Ostro of U Colorado Boulder begins hosting sessions covering a detailed literature review of AI Indication testing to date, affirming this timeline of AI research. This, combined with his mosaic approach to teaching writing in the era of AI convinces AI Indicator opponent, Dr. Anna Mills, to reconsider her position. Mills issues public blog post February 2025.

Today

After substantial updates to the AI Indicator, Turnitin is revising and updating the AI Indicator white paper, and FAQ. The Turnitin AI Indicator continues to hold to a <1% false positive rate, while simultaneously improving recall by a factor of 10.

What about false positives?



Weber-Wulff et al* in Context



Our AI and machine learning scientists have previously noted that 100% accuracy is not an attainable goal; however, Turnitin believes holding to our false positive rate of <1% is.

Toward this end, we will continue to fine tune, and manually update the AI indicator as needed.

5.2.1 False Accusations: Harm to individual students

If educators use one of the classifiers to detect student misconduct, there is a question of what kind of output leads to the accusation of a student from unauthorised content generation. The researchers believe that a typical educator would accuse a student if the output of the classifier is positive or partially positive. Some teachers may also suspect students of misconduct in unclear or partially negative cases, but the research authors think that educators generally do not initiate disciplinary action in these cases. Therefore, for each tool, we also computed the likelihood of false accusation of a student as a ratio of false positives and partially false positives to all cases, i.e.

$$\text{FAS} = (\text{FP} + \text{PFP}) / (\text{TN} + \text{PTN} + \text{TP} + \text{PTP} + \text{FN} + \text{PFN} + \text{FP} + \text{PFP} + \text{UNC})$$

Table 9. False accusation ratio

Tool	01-Hum	02-MT	Total	FAS ratio
Check For AI	0	1	1	5.6%
Compilatio	0	0	0	0.0%
Content at Scale	0	0	0	0.0%
Crossplag	0	3	3	16.7%
DetectGPT	0	0	0	0.0%
Go Winston	0	0	0	0.0%
GPT Zero	3	6	9	50.0%
GPT-2 Output Detector Demo	0	2	2	11.1%
OpenAI Text Classifier	0	0	0	0.0%
PlagiarismCheck	0	0	0	0.0%
Turnitin	0	0	0	0.0%
Writeful GPT Detector	0	1	1	5.6%
Writer	0	1	1	5.6%
ZeroGPT	0	0	0	0.0%
Average	2.4%	11.1%		

Walter's Records 100% Accuracy



Table 4: Percentage of documents for which each detector gave correct or incorrect responses^a

Detector	All papers			AI papers		GPT-3.5 papers		GPT-4 papers		Human papers	
	Percentage correct	Percentage incorrect	Percentage uncertain	Percentage correct	Percentage incorrect	Percentage correct	Percentage incorrect	Percentage correct	Percentage incorrect	Percentage correct	Percentage incorrect
Copyleaks ^b	100	0	0	100	0	100	0	100	0	100	0
TurnItIn	100	0	0	100	0	100	0	100	0	100	0
Originality.ai ^b	98	0	2	100	0	100	0	100	0	95	0
Scribbr	88	11	1	85	15	100	0	69	31	95	2
ZeroGPT ^b	87	1	12	92	0	100	0	83	0	79	2
Grammica	86	11	3	81	17	100	0	62	33	95	0
GPTZero ^b	81	4	15	77	5	98	0	57	10	88	2
Crossplag ^b	80	20	0	77	23	86	14	69	31	86	14
OpenAI ^b	78	6	17	69	8	98	2	40	14	95	0
IvyPanda	77	0	23	71	0	100	0	43	0	88	0
GPT Radar ^b	76	24	0	64	36	98	2	31	69	100	0
SEO.ai	72	4	24	92	0	100	0	83	0	33	12
Content at Scale ^b	71	13	15	63	15	74	2	52	29	88	10
Writer ^b	71	29	0	64	36	88	12	40	60	86	14
Sapling ^b	65	7	28	63	11	93	0	33	21	69	0
ContentDetector.ai	63	10	27	45	14	83	0	7	29	100	0
Avg. percentage	81	9	10	78	11	95	2	61	20	87	4
Standard deviation	12	9	11	16	12	8	4	28	22	17	5
Median percentage	79	7	8	77	10	99	0	60	18	92	0

^aIn each case, the percentage *uncertain* is the percentage neither correct nor incorrect. ^bAppears on at least two of the “best AI text detector” websites.

Walter's Records 100% Accuracy

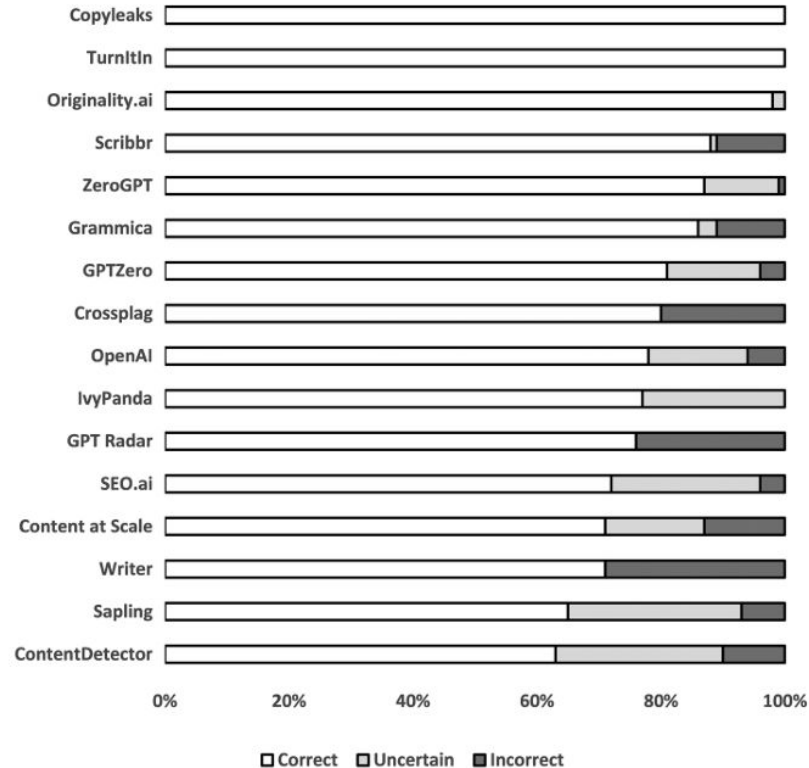


Figure 1: Percentage of all 126 documents for which each detector gave correct, *uncertain*, or incorrect responses.

Malik & Amjad Report 100% Accuracy

The results revealed quite a few things. First of all, Turnitin performed the best among all four AI-detection tools that had been tested in this study. Even different adversarial techniques were not able to affect its ability to detect AI-generated text accurately. ZeroGPT and GPTZero were also able to detect AI-generated text with a high rate of accuracy; however, Writer AI was not that effective in detecting AI-generated text.

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AI vs AI: How effective are Turnitin, ZeroGPT, GPTZero, and Writer AI in detecting text generated by ChatGPT, Perplexity, and Gemini?

RESEARCH ARTICLES

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What about English Language Learners?



“Detectors based on linguistic features showed near-perfect detection performance.

Detectors built using well-sampled data from GRE do not show bias against non-native English speakers.”

[\(liang et al, 2024\)](#)

“Fourthly, none of the 30 AI detectors tended to have a bias toward a specific English language category in classifying the four essay sets.”

[\(Chaka, 2024\)](#)

But don't take our word for it...

Lit Review - State of Play

- Handful of White Papers by companies
- Lots of articles are cited in pre-print due to speed of tech
- Journalism (e.g.: [Forbes](#), [WashingtonPost](#))
- Competitions
- Lots of articles out of date
- Heavy reliance on anecdotal data and headline findings

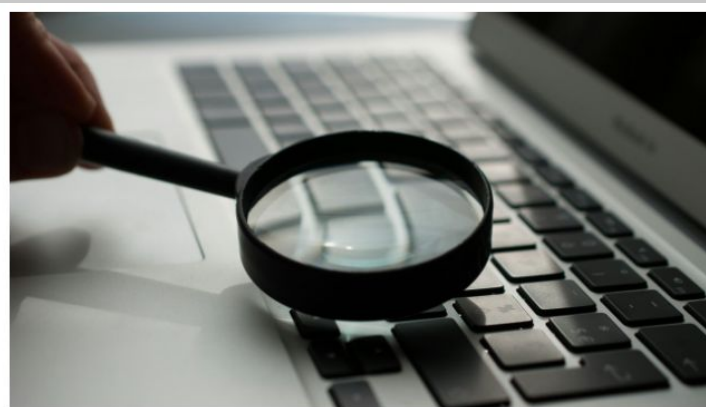


Results of careful review of AI Indicator research to date?

While many educators who previously spoke out against AI indicators based upon older, flawed research (and works that have since been refuted) are now quietly rethinking their practices, Dr. Anna Mills is one of the first to *publicly* explain her current thinking—and that her previous position had limitations.

Dr. Mills also attributes her shift in thinking in part to the previous slide's linked video of Dr. Chris Ostro's literature review. We applaud her desire to thoughtfully protect her students, which has been consistent in her approach over time.

Turnitin has always advocated for using well-developed and maintained AI indication as *part* of a curricular strategy that values opening consultative conversations with students as integral to the educational process. **The relationship between instructors and students is key.**



Why I'm using AI detection after all, alongside many other strategies



Anna Mills

Focused on AI in education. Teacher, speaker, OER textbook author, consultant. Educators can be critical, curious, playful,...



February 12, 2025

I argued against use of AI detection in college classrooms for two years, but my perspective has shifted. I ran into the limits of my current approaches last semester, when a first-year writing student persisted in submitting work that was clearly not his own, presenting document history that showed him typing the work (maybe he typed it and maybe he used an autotyper). He only admitted to the AI use and apologized for wasting my time when he realized that I was not going to give him credit and that if he initiated an appeals process, the college would run his writing through detection software. I liked this student, had met with him

How was Turnitin's AI indicator trained & tested?

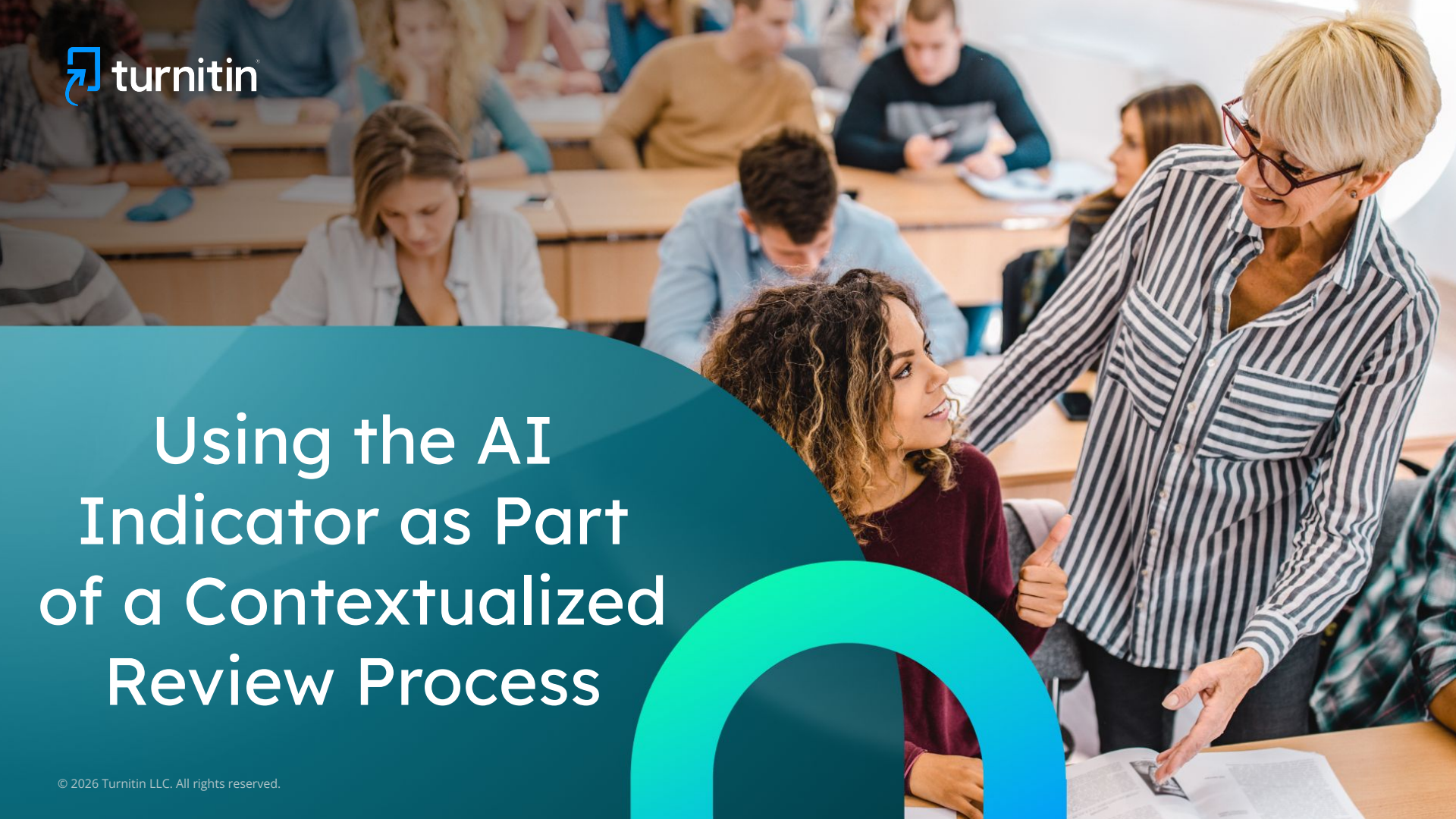


With every update to the Turnitin AI indicator, the model is stress-tested on over 700,000 papers composed before 2019. Turnitin is one of the very few organizations that can conduct a safety check at this scale.

The AI indicator is trained on both AI-generated text and authentic academic writing across geographies and subject areas. We are broad and deep in academic writing, and this focus helps ensure we have crafted a robust tool built upon world-class architecture designed to evaluate academic writing *only*.

We paid special attention to statistically under-represented groups like second-language learners, English writers from non-English speaking countries, students at colleges and universities with diverse enrollments, as well as under-represented subject areas like anthropology, geology, and sociology to minimize bias.

We recently tested false positive rates on a supplemental corpus of texts produced by English-language learners, in order to evaluate statements that all AI indicators are biased against English Language Learners. As noted on our [blog](#), the false positive rate is statistically insignificant compared to texts written by native-English speakers.



Using the AI Indicator as Part of a Contextualized Review Process

Nuanced AI Indication Review

A possible workflow for interpreting AI indication and choosing a formative path forward

Desired Generative AI Usage	Highlighted text (and meaning)	Contextualized review steps	Preparing & conversing with student
Integrate LLM Use Option A	Are you concerned? - Is there enough highlighted text? - How much revision did you suggest?	- Compare final work to draft versions - Review chat inputs/outputs and the student rationale for edits	- Difficulty revising prompts? - Is time management a factor? - Reasons for the choices made?
Mitigate LLM Use Option B	Are you concerned? - Examples of the student's other work? - What tools does the school provide? - Other Similarity Report signals?	- Manually review AI-generated content "tells" - Compare "tells" against student work - Compare via LLM tools - Check discrepancies (false citations)	- If offered a rewrite option, did the student accept? - Can the student demonstrate understanding of the topic? - Can the student discuss writing choices?
Unstated Use or Redesign Option C	Are you concerned? - Is there a formative path forward? - What tools does the school provide?	- Consider Option A, Option B, or a combination of tasks - Revise future assignments and clarify AI usage expectations	- Without prior guidelines, keep the conversation fluid and collaborative toward a solution - Encourage student to save versions of their assignments in progress - Discuss risks of overreliance upon AI

What are possible signals of AI?

1. Balance Perceptions: As someone with a strong Significance and Maximizing, there is a risk of being perceived as overconfident.

For Discussion: Contents and Formats to Evaluate	
Passive voice	Relentless use of passive voice throughout.
Telling vs. showing/describing	"In this essay I will..." is a common format used by LLMs when generating content.
Vocabulary repetition	The word "strength" is used 27 times in 682 words of prose.
Repetition of phraseology	"In my leadership roles" is used frequently.
Thematic repetition	Repeat use of wording to attempt to instill urgency.
Questionable citation	Quick scan makes me question how accurate this citation is.

Dr. Chris Ostro's Mosaic Approach



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McMaster University AI Misuse Questioning Guide



While this questioning guide is intended for use in suspected academic misconduct cases, with some editing, these questions could also be assigned pro-actively as a reflection assignment.

Question Guide for Suspected Academic Misconduct

Please only ask questions relevant to the assignment in question.

Please score student answers on the following range:

Student demonstrated excellent knowledge of the question.				
Student could answer the question satisfactorily.				
Student demonstrated very limited knowledge of the question.				
Student could not answer the question.				
1. Can you please tell me what your assignment is about? Follow up questions: What is the main topic? What did you argue/discuss/highlight? What was the focus of the assignment?	☐	☐	☐	☐
2. What was your favourite part of the assignment? What were some of the challenging parts of the assignment?	☐	☐	☐	☐

Supplemental Materials

Resources and citations

Join the Turnitin Educator Network (TEN): A professional space for **academic leadership and collaboration**

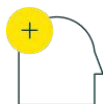
What is TEN?

TEN is a global learning community where academic leaders exchange ideas and explore best practices in assessment, originality, and effective feedback using Turnitin.

Why join?



Engage with faculty and administrators on academic integrity, AI literacy, and course design.



Discover how others are integrating Turnitin to support student learning at scale.



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What you bring:

Your experience and perspective matter. As a leader in your institution, your voice helps shape innovative, practical approaches to teaching and academic integrity.

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<https://turnitin.forumbee.com>



Overview of Turnitin AI Writing Resources



This interactive PDF is updated over time, as existing resources are updated and new resources are developed. Check back regularly!

One piece at a time: Solving the AI writing puzzle



AI-generated writing has transformed every aspect of our lives, and the classroom is no exception. Supporting responsible AI use, updating teaching practices, and maintaining integrity are all pieces in the complex, ever-evolving AI writing puzzle. **Click a tile to learn more.**

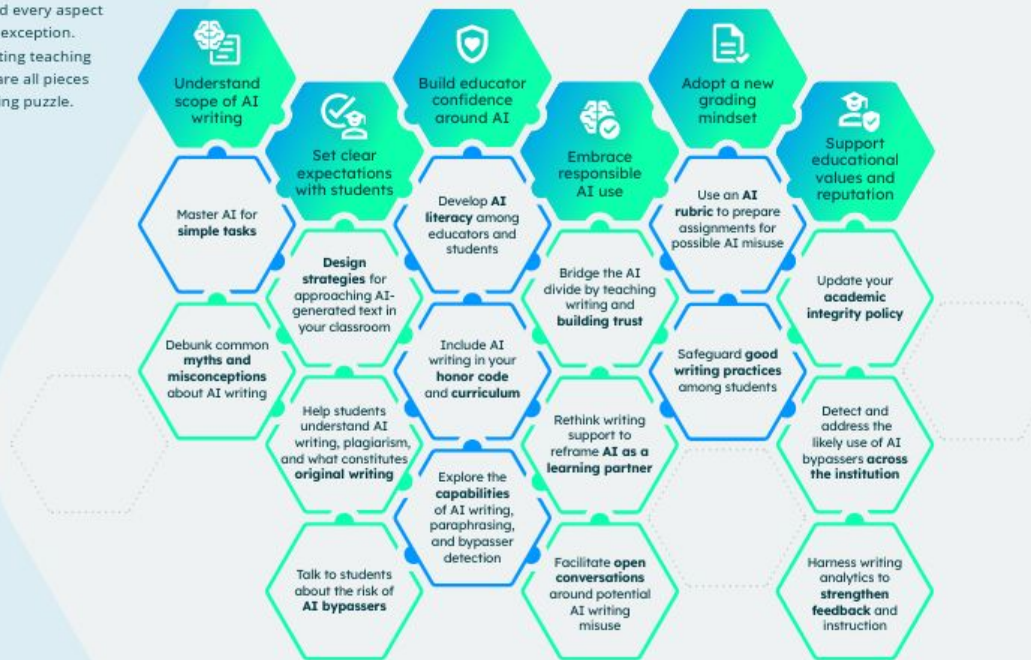
50%
of students report that they don't know how to get the most benefit from AI*

Only **28%**
of institutions are fully integrating AI into their strategies*

50%
students fear over reliance on AI reduces critical thinking skills*

*Turnitin provided compensation to Vanessa Bourne to conduct this research and report - Crossroads: Navigating the intersection of AI and academia (April 2023)

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From Turnitin: AI Writing in Context



[AI writing in academic journals: Mitigating its impact on research integrity](#)

AI excels in processing vast amounts of literature but lacks the nuanced understanding that human researchers offer, risking the loss of critical insights in academic writing. It's essential for institutions to recognize both AI and human contributions transparently to uphold research integrity in the AI-driven era.

[When and how to cite ChatGPT and AI in MLA / APA Formats](#)

Tips for instructors and students on how to paraphrase, quote, and cite ChatGPT or AI in MLA or APA.

[Navigating AI writing detection in higher education: Top five tips from Dr. Leslie Layne](#)

How one professor balances AI literacy alongside teaching students about academic integrity.

[Empowering students for tomorrow with AI writing tools](#)

"Generative AI writing is a tool of inquiry, not definitive thinking, and learning to write well is the bedrock on which every other skill is developed."

[Webinar: Evaluating Papers Flagged by the AI Indicator](#)

This session is less about the Turnitin AI Indicator, and more about the contextualized human review of student papers after they have been flagged by the AI Indicator. Learn more about how to conduct a thoughtful review.

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AI Literacy & Curriculum Revision Annotated Bibliographies



We are updating our AI Literacy Annotated Bibliography.

Our **2023-2025 era AI Literacy Annotated Bibliography** is [available for download](#).

The **Curriculum Revision in the Era of AI Annotated Bibliography** will be updated later in 2026.

The Fall 2025 version is [available for download](#).

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Clarity Sample Writing Prompts & Rubrics



As a starting point, it might be helpful to see some [examples of Clarity writing prompts as well as rubrics](#). These are rough samples, and we know that yours will be so much better than what we have presented here.

Would you like to share your Clarity writing prompts and rubrics with others? If so, please email lmcarthur@turnitin.com, and please include information on how we can best attribute your work.

Upcoming Non-Turnitin AI Events (In person)



1. The AI2 Summit (U Florida)

 March 29 - April 1 |  8AM - 4:30PM EDT

This lively Orlando conference includes tracks for educators, administrators and instructional designers. This year's theme is shaping the future of AI in higher education.

 [Register](#)

2. Teaching & Learning with AI: A Sharing Conference Between Educational Practicioners (U Central Florida)

 June 11 - June 12 |  8AM - 5PM EDT

This 2 day conference is in its fourth year. This event brings together faculty, staff who support faculty, librarians, administrators and all those on the front lines of teaching. New this year: K12 instructors are encouraged to attend to discuss how to prepare students for college readiness by using AI in the K12 classroom. Note: Each year of this conference has included a special track for health care sciences educators.

 [Register](#)

Upcoming Non-Turnitin AI Events (In person)



3. National New Literacy Conference

 October 8 - October 10 |  8:30AM - 4:00PM MDT

The News Literacy Project provides content, trainings and events primarily for K12 educators. However, given how quickly AI is shifting skill building for high school graduates, this event could prove eye-opening especially for institutions *graduating the next generation of teachers*. The NNLC focuses on the critical importance of helping students understand how to vet news content in this especially confusing time period, and trains educators on an array of methods toward this goal.

 [Register](#)

4. AAC&U Conference on AI & Higher Education

 October 28 - October 30 |  8:00AM - 4:30PM CDT

This AAC&U conference brings together faculty, staff, presidents, provosts, academic leaders, student affairs professionals, technical staff, librarians and many other educational stakeholders to share emerging practices and develop practical and ethical approaches to AI use in academia. (The 2025 event sold out quickly.)

 [Register](#)

Upcoming Canadian Non-Turnitin AI Event!



This pan-Canadian event is in its 2nd year, and promises to be more amazing than last year's event!

We recommend all higher education practitioners and educators interested in AI, *regardless of your location*, attend this conference to learn more about Canadian thought leadership in the era of AI in academia.

Learn more at the [AI-cademy web site](#).

A promotional poster for the AI-cademy Canada Summit. It has a dark blue background with a green-to-blue gradient border. The text is white and includes the event title, dates, location, and a 'Register Now' button.

AI-cademy
**Canada Summit for Post-Secondary
Education**

📅 November 9, 2026 – November 10, 2026
📍 The Nest, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC

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Additional Non-Turnitin AI Events (Virtual)



Clover Park Technical College AI & OER Institute

August 2026

This 2 day, free, virtual event has included speakers such as Dr. Maha Bali and Dr. Tricia Bertram Gallant. Bookmark the URL below for coming updates for Fall 2026

<https://cptc.libguides.com/TLC/2025-CPTC-AI-OER-Institute>

University of Colorado Boulder

Learning Design Group events, which include events about AI in higher education (past and future)

<https://www.colorado.edu/learningdesign/course-design-series>

University of Delaware

AI & Teaching and Learning at UD events (past and future)

<https://www.udel.edu/home/artificial-intelligence/>

Additional Non-Turnitin AI Events (Virtual)



University of Guelph

Teaching Amid AI Virtual Conference 2026

Co-Creating the Future of Higher Education: Human Presence in an Age of Artificial Intelligence

June 10-11, 2026

This year's speakers will include Dr. Sarah Elaine Eaton, Dr. Mark Daley and many other thought leaders pioneering the Canadian path forward for AI in academia. While this event charges a nominal fee, for those in the US, be sure to convert, as the conversion rate from Canadian to US dollars often lowers the fees for US attendees.

<https://otl.uoguelph.ca/teaching-amid-ai-conference-2026>

University of Kentucky

Upcoming Zoom sessions (archived sessions in sidebar)

<https://celt.uky.edu/events>

Getting Started with Google NotebookLM

<https://celt.uky.edu/events/getting-started-google-notebooklm>

Teaching Critical Thinking with GAI Deep Research

<https://celt.uky.edu/events/teaching-critical-thinking-gai-deep-research>

Teaching Students to Think Critically

<https://celt.uky.edu/events/teaching-students-think-critically>

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