Stuck on schoolwork? Try asking Aida!

"I'm working on ___. I'm stuck on ___. Can you help me with the first step?"

1

INSTEAD OF: Solve this equation.

TRY: I'm in Grade 9 CAPS maths. I'm solving 2x + 5 = 17 and I got 2x = 22. Can you help me find my mistake without giving the answer?

WHY IT WORKS: Your working shows Aida exactly where you went wrong.

2

INSTEAD OF: Explain photosynthesis.

TRY: I'm in Grade 8. Explain photosynthesis using a simple everyday example, then ask me 2 questions to check I understand.

WHY IT WORKS: It sets your level and tests your understanding.

3

INSTEAD OF: What caused World War I?

TRY: I'm in Grade 11 CAPS history and I think the assassination of Archduke Franz Ferdinand caused World War I. Can you ask me questions that help me see which other causes I've missed?

WHY IT WORKS: It starts with what you already know, so you do the thinking and build a stronger answer.

4

INSTEAD OF: Help me study for science.

TRY: I'm in Grade 12 and I have a Physical Sciences test on momentum on Friday. Give me a question about two trolleys that collide and stick together. Let me try it first, then check my working.

WHY IT WORKS: A clear topic and deadline make the practice specific.

5

INSTEAD OF: I don't get this.

TRY: I thought ½ + ⅓ = ⅝. Why doesn't that work? Can you please explain in isiXhosa, one small step at a time?

WHY IT WORKS: It names what's confusing and asks for your language and pace.

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INSTEAD OF: What is ¼ of 20?

TRY: I'm in Grade 4 Maths. I'm working out ¼ of 20 and I got 80. Can you help me find my mistake without giving the answer?

WHY IT WORKS: Your working shows Aida exactly where you went wrong.

2

INSTEAD OF: Tell me about the San.

TRY: I'm in Grade 5 Social Sciences. Explain how San hunter-gatherers found food, then ask me 2 questions to check I understand.

WHY IT WORKS: It sets your level and tests your understanding.

3

INSTEAD OF: Write my story for me.

TRY: I'm in Grade 6 English. Here's my story: [story]. Ask me questions that help me make the ending better.

WHY IT WORKS: The ideas and writing stay yours, while Aida helps you improve them.

4

INSTEAD OF: Help me study for science.

TRY: I have a Grade 6 Natural Sciences and Technology test on electric circuits on Friday. Quiz me one question at a time and tell me what to revise.

WHY IT WORKS: A clear topic and deadline make the practice specific.

5

INSTEAD OF: I don't get this.

TRY: I'm in Grade 7 EMS. I don't understand the difference between needs and wants. Please explain in Sesotho, one small step at a time.

WHY IT WORKS: It names what's confusing and asks for your language and pace.