The Which AI? worksheet

Five questions, a two-option shortlist, a scoring grid for the side-by-side test and a dated decision.

Time **about 30 minutes** Updated **11 Nov 2026** Fill in online at **Learn › Worksheets**

HOW TO USE IT

1. Answer the five questions for one real task.
2. Shortlist two options using our model profiles, and note the date you checked their prices.
3. Run the same prompt in both, word for word, and score each answer.
4. Record your decision and a date to check it again.

Part 1. The five questions

1. What exactly is the task? (one sentence)

2. What does a mistake cost?

- ○ Nothing much: it's a draft or a brainstorm
- ○ Some rework: I'll review it anyway
- ○ A lot: it goes to a client, customer, publication or decision

3. How sensitive is the data?

- ○ Public or harmless
- ○ Internal: I need to check the provider's data and training settings
- ○ Must never leave my own machine: look at open-weight models run locally

4. How often, and how much?

- ○ A few chats a day: an app subscription
- ○ Bulk documents or my own app: pay-per-use API, consider a cheaper tier

5. What's the budget?

- ○ Free while I learn
- ○ A personal subscription
- ○ Pay per use (write your monthly estimate below)

Monthly estimate, if pay per use

Part 2. Shortlist two options

Prices and lineups change often. Our model profiles show each fact with the date we checked it.

Your two options

	Tool and plan or tier	Price checked on	Data terms read?
Option A			
Option B			

Part 3. The side-by-side test (about 20 minutes)

Use the same prompt, word for word, in both tools. Score each answer from 1 (poor) to 5 (excellent).

Task 1

Task 1 scores

	Option A	Option B
Accuracy		
Usefulness		
Editing needed (5 = none)		
Time taken (minutes)		

Task 2 (a different kind of task)

Task 2 scores

	Option A	Option B
Accuracy		
Usefulness		
Editing needed (5 = none)		
Time taken (minutes)		

Part 4. Decision

I'll use

For

Because

Re-check this decision on (date)

Example answers

> The example answers show how to fill it in. The tools are left unnamed and the scores are made up for illustration: they are not our test results.

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1. What exactly is the task? (one sentence)

> Summarise supplier contracts into a one-page risk note.

2. What does a mistake cost?

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> (not needed in this example)

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Prices and lineups change often. Our model profiles show each fact with the date we checked it.

Your two options

	Tool and plan or tier	Price checked on	Data terms read?
Option A	Tool 1, personal plan	11 Nov 2026	Yes
Option B	Tool 2, personal plan	11 Nov 2026	Yes

Part 3. The side-by-side test (about 20 minutes)

Use the same prompt, word for word, in both tools. Score each answer from 1 (poor) to 5 (excellent).

Task 1

> Summarise the attached 6-page supplier contract.

Task 1 scores

	Option A	Option B
Accuracy	4	3
Usefulness	4	4
Editing needed (5 = none)	3	3
Time taken (minutes)	2	3

Task 2 (a different kind of task)

> Draft a polite late-payment reminder.

Task 2 scores

	Option A	Option B
Accuracy	5	5
Usefulness	4	4
Editing needed (5 = none)	4	3
Time taken (minutes)	1	1

Part 4. Decision

I'll use

> Option A

For

> Contract summaries and client emails

Because

> It was more accurate on the contract, which is the task I do most, and the data terms fit.

Re-check this decision on (date)

> 1 Feb 2027

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