

Table 1. Illustrative examples of instructions for three ranking methods.

Type	Instructions
Listwise	You are a movie recommender system. Your task is to rank a given list of candidate movies based on user preferences and return the top five recommendations. User's Liked movies: <liked historical interactions>. User's Disliked movies: <disliked historical interactions>. Question: How would the user rank the candidate item list: <ranking item list>? Hint: Another recommender model suggests <ranking list>.
Pointwise	You are a movie recommender system. Your task is to predict the relevance score to a target movie based on the user's historical movie ratings. The score should be between 1 and 5. User's Liked movies: <liked historical interactions>. User's Disliked movies: <disliked historical interactions>. Question: Based on the user's historical ratings, predict the relevance score of the target <item> with the user. Hint: Another recommender model suggests the answer is <score>.
Pairwise	You are a movie recommender system. Based on a user's likes and dislikes, determine if they would prefer one movie over another. Respond only with Yes or No. User's Liked movies: <liked historical interactions>. User's Disliked movies: <disliked historical interactions>. Question: Would the user prefer <movie1> over <movie2>? Hint: Another recommender model suggests the answer is <movie1>.