Best Practices: When to Use Chat vs. Canvas

1. Start in Chat when you:

- Are brainstorming or figuring out what you want.
- Need quick answers, explanations, or translation help.
- • Want to ask questions, discuss ideas, or get advice.
- Are not yet sure how long or detailed the final work will be.
- • Want a casual, fast back-and-forth without structure.

Example:

"Can you translate this quote?"

"Can you help me outline an essay?"

2. Move to Canvas when you:

- Are ready to start a serious draft (essay, letter, story, report, etc.).
- Want a neater, distraction-free writing environment.
- Need to organize, edit, or refine longer work.
- Plan to save, revisit, or download the document later.
- Prefer version control (Canvas automatically saves your work-in-progress).

Example:

"Let's expand this translation into a full essay."

"Help me draft a full email in a polished format."

- Just talk in Chat until you feel ready.
- • When you're ready, say:
 - "Can you open Canvas for this?"
- • I'll open it and move us into a structured writing session!

Why This Helps

- • Saves time: You won't waste effort setting up a document before you're ready.
- Boosts quality: You'll move to Canvas only when the project deserves it.
- Matches natural workflow: Discussion → Decision → Draft → Polish.