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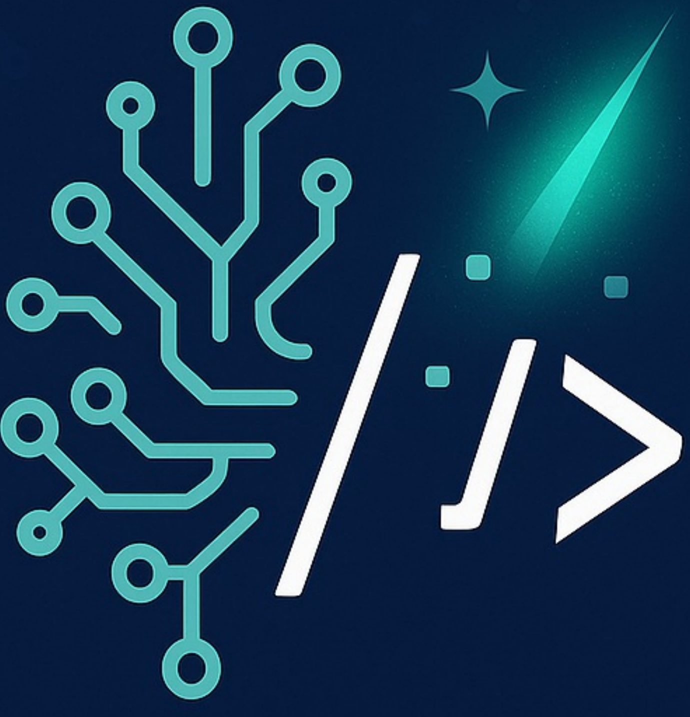
CODING WITH AI MADE SIMPLE



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Page 1 – Quick Start

Goal: Build your first working project today — a personal landing page.

Checklist

- Sign up for an AI coding tool: **ChatGPT, Cursor, Replit, or Copilot**.
- Open a browser/code editor (Replit works instantly).
- Copy/paste this first success prompt:

```
Create a simple responsive landing page with a header, paragraph, and a button that links to my email.
```

Pro Tips

- Start small → get one working result fast.
- Test right away in browser/editor.
- Save working snippets in a "Prompt Library" doc.

Page 2 – Vibe Coding Fundamentals

What it is: You describe what you want in plain English. AI generates the code.

Best for

- Quick prototypes
- Repetitive boilerplate (forms, layouts)
- Learning by example

Pros / Cons

Pros: Saves time, lowers barrier, sparks ideas
Cons: Buggy output, messy code, over-reliance risk

Rule of thumb:

- ☒ Use AI for small, testable tasks
- ☒ Don't use AI for critical logic without review

Non-coder reassurance: You don't need to know syntax. Just describe what you want — AI tools generate and explain the code.

Page 3 – Writing Effective Prompts

Framework: Action + Output + Context

Examples:

- Bad: `Make a website`
- Good: `Create a responsive landing page with a header, 3 sections, and a contact form in HTML/CSS only.`

Debugging Prompt

`Explain why this code might fail and suggest a fix.`

Refactor Prompt

`Rewrite this function for clarity and performance using modern JavaScript.`

Key: Specificity = clarity = better code.

Page 4 – Debugging & Skill-Building

Common Errors

Syntax mistakes, missing logic, insecure code

Fix Flow

1. Ask AI about one error at a time
2. Break tasks into small modules
3. Test after each change

Mindset

AI = partner, not replacement. Always verify.

Skill Growth Habits

- Review AI output: ask “why does this work?”
- Tweak and re-test → fastest way to learn
- Avoid copy-paste dependency: understand before keeping
- Build one small project daily

Page 5 – Advanced Moves & Next Steps

Smart Workflows

- **Batch prompting:** Ask AI for 3 variations, pick best
- **Chain tools:** AI → linter → formatter → clean code
- **Trust AI:** for small, boilerplate tasks
- **Check manually:** for critical sections
- **Revert fast:** if unsure, don't keep messy code

Flagship Mini-Project

Build & launch your personal landing page with AI.

- Header + About Me section
- Links (email, socials)
- Style tweaks (colors, fonts)

Resources

- FreeCodeCamp.org
- Replit Docs / Cursor Docs
- GitHub examples

Golden Rules Cheat Sheet

- Start small, iterate fast
- Verify every output
- Learn while coding, not just copying
- Keep a prompt library

Final encouragement: Even without coding experience, you can create, test, and launch small projects today — AI makes it possible.

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