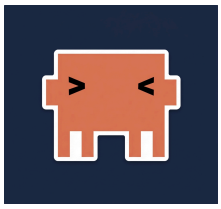

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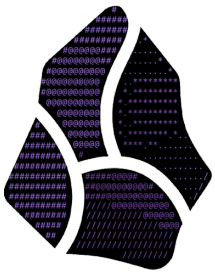

Claude Code + Obsidian

Starter Kit

What you'll do in the next 10 minutes:

1. Open this vault in Obsidian
2. Start Claude Code in the vault folder
3. Ask Claude to show your goals
4. Create a task using natural language

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Why This Matters

Before

Open Obsidian
Navigate to Tasks folder
Create new note
Add frontmatter
Type task details
Set priority manually
Tag it correctly
Save and organize

2 minutes per task

After

“Create a task for meeting with client tomorrow 9am”

3 seconds

Task appears in Obsidian.
Scheduled. Prioritized.
Ready to work on.

This starter kit includes three Claude Code skills:

query

Read goals, notes, data

tasknotes

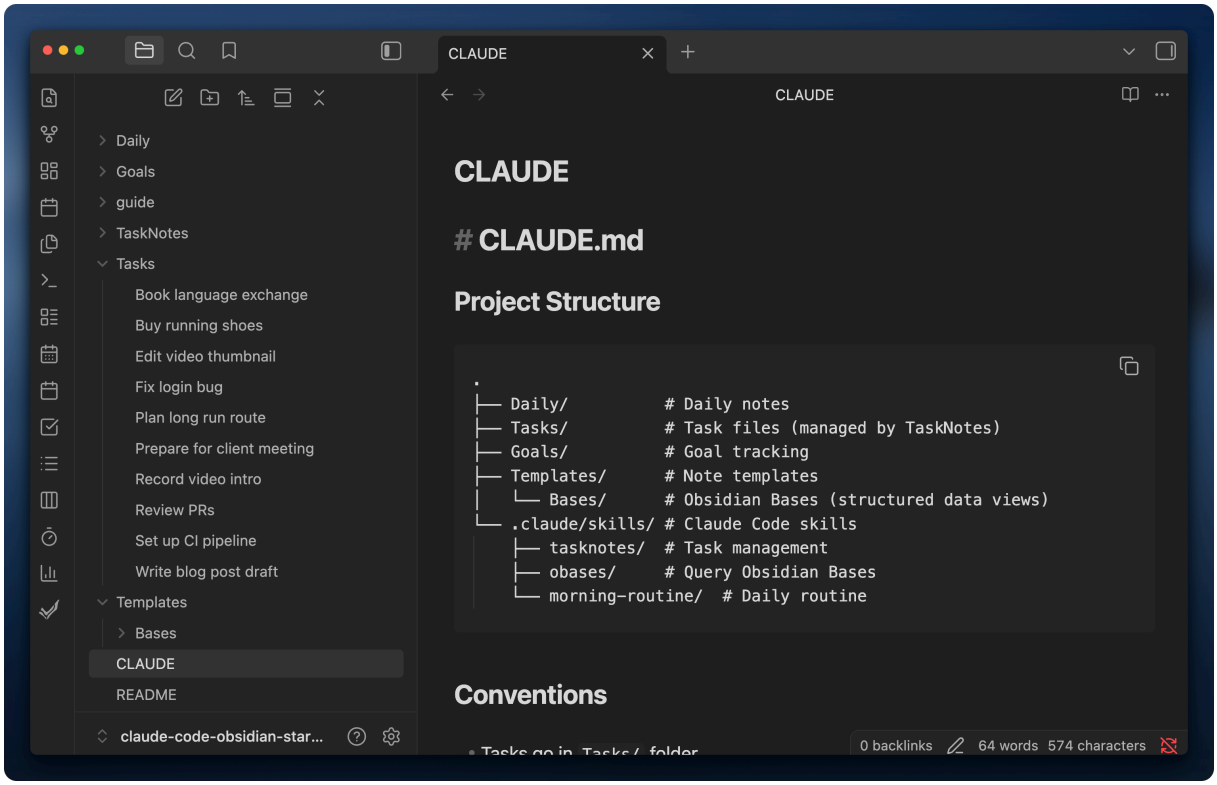
Create & manage tasks

morning-routine

Daily workflow

Step 1: Open the Vault

Open Obsidian and select this folder as a vault. When prompted, click **Trust author and enable plugins**.



The vault comes pre-configured with:

- **Tasks** — Your tasks (managed by TaskNotes)
- **Goals** — Goal tracking with structured data
- **Daily** — Daily notes and check-ins
- **.claude/skills** — The AI skills that make this work

No setup needed. The plugins (Dataview, TaskNotes, headless-bases) are pre-installed and configured. Just open and go.

Step 2: Start Claude Code

Don’t have Claude Code? Install it first:
`curl -fsSL https://claude.ai/install.sh | bash` (Mac/Linux)
`irm https://claude.ai/install.ps1 | iex` (Windows PowerShell)

Open your terminal, navigate to the vault folder, and start Claude:

```
cd path/to/claude-code-obsidian-starter
claude .
```

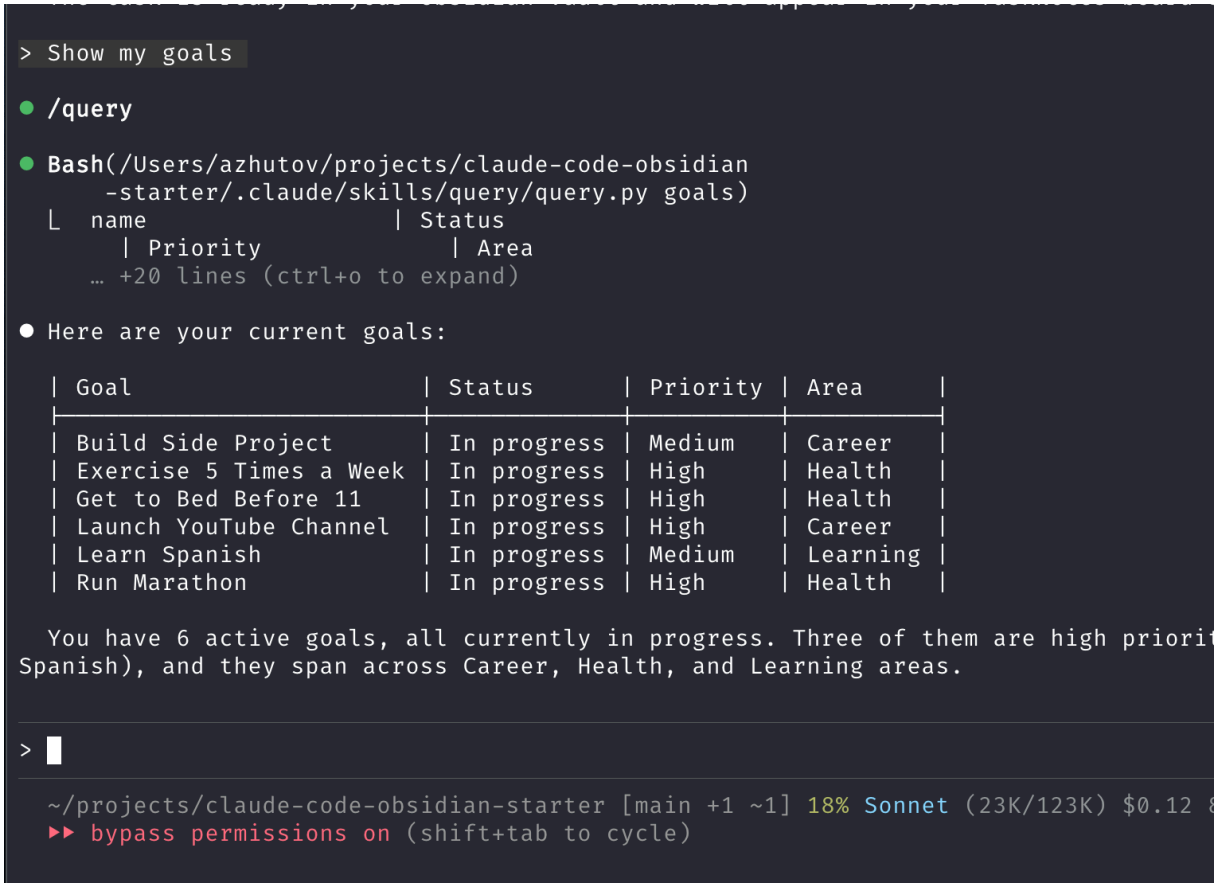
You’ll see the Claude Code logo and a prompt. The path shows you’re in the starter kit folder. Now you’re ready to talk to your vault.

Step 3: See the Magic

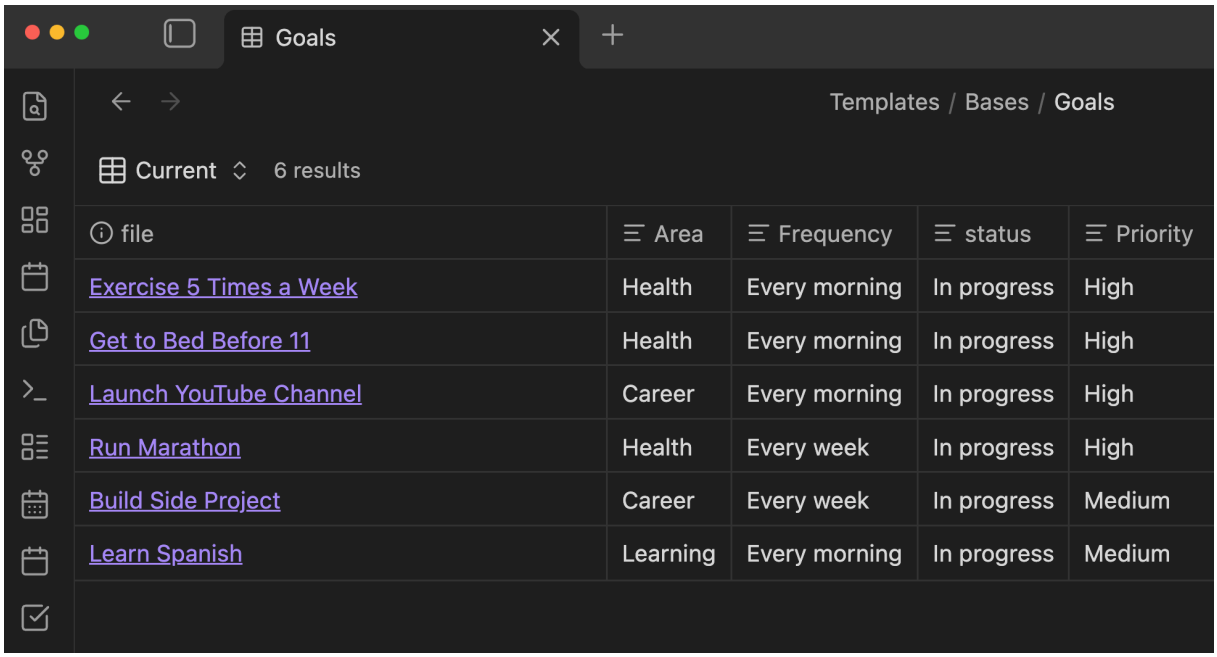
Type this in Claude Code:

```
Show my goals
```

Claude queries your vault and returns a formatted table:



Now look at the **same data** in Obsidian (Templates/Bases/Goals):



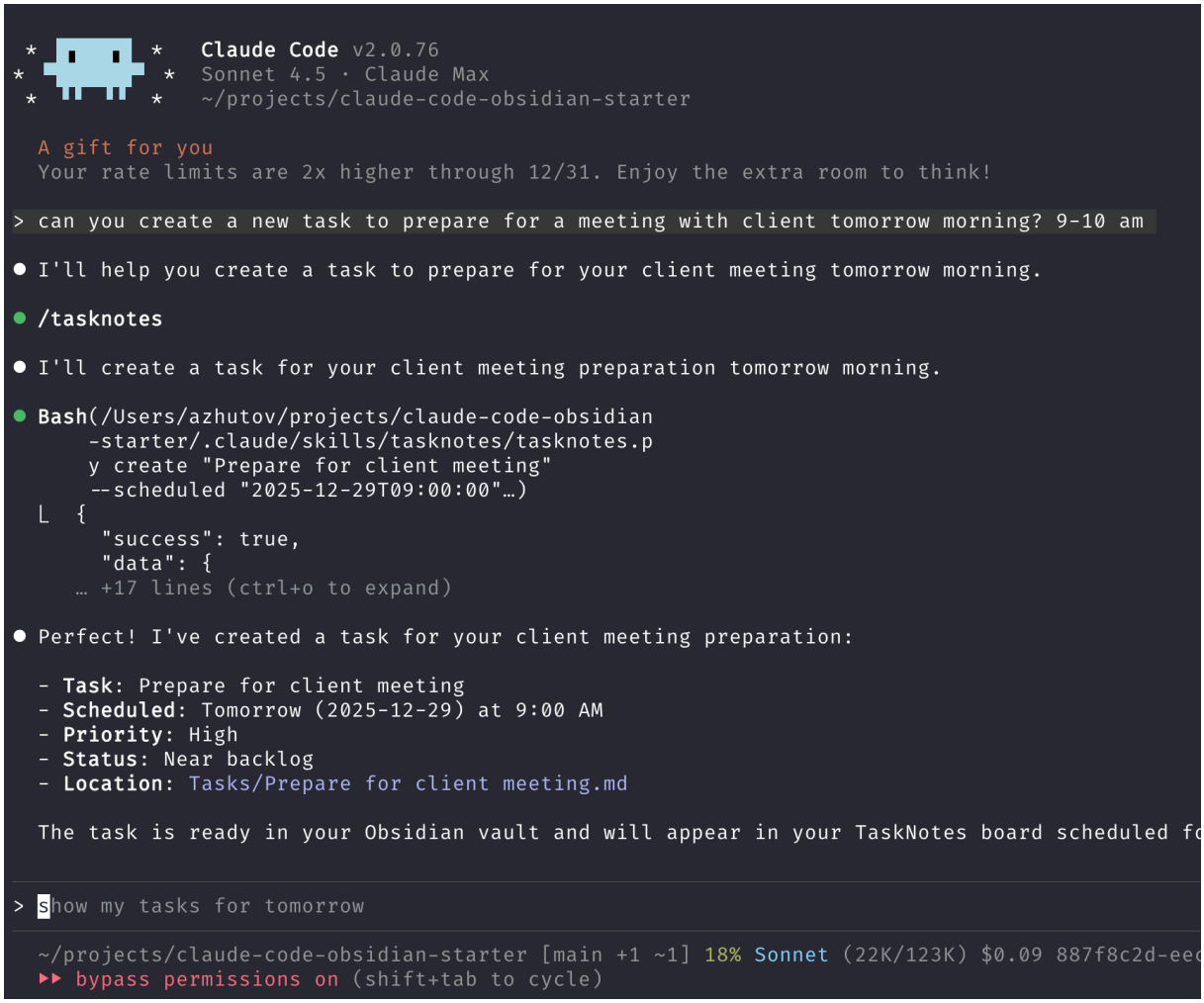
file	Area	Frequency	status	Priority
Exercise 5 Times a Week	Health	Every morning	In progress	High
Get to Bed Before 11	Health	Every morning	In progress	High
Launch YouTube Channel	Career	Every morning	In progress	High
Run Marathon	Health	Every week	In progress	High
Build Side Project	Career	Every week	In progress	Medium
Learn Spanish	Learning	Every morning	In progress	Medium

Same 6 goals. Same data. Claude reads directly from your Obsidian vault — nothing is made up or cached.

Step 4: Create with Natural Language

Now try creating a task. Just describe what you need:

```
Create a task to prepare for meeting with client tomorrow 9am
```

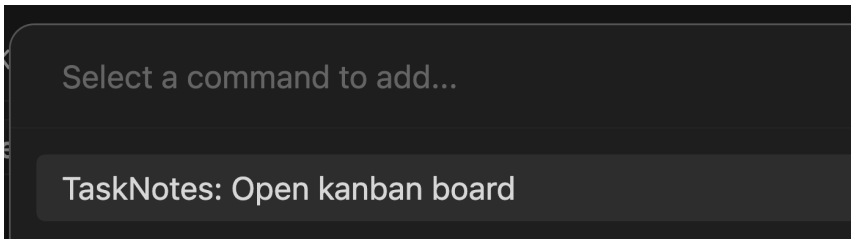


Claude understood:

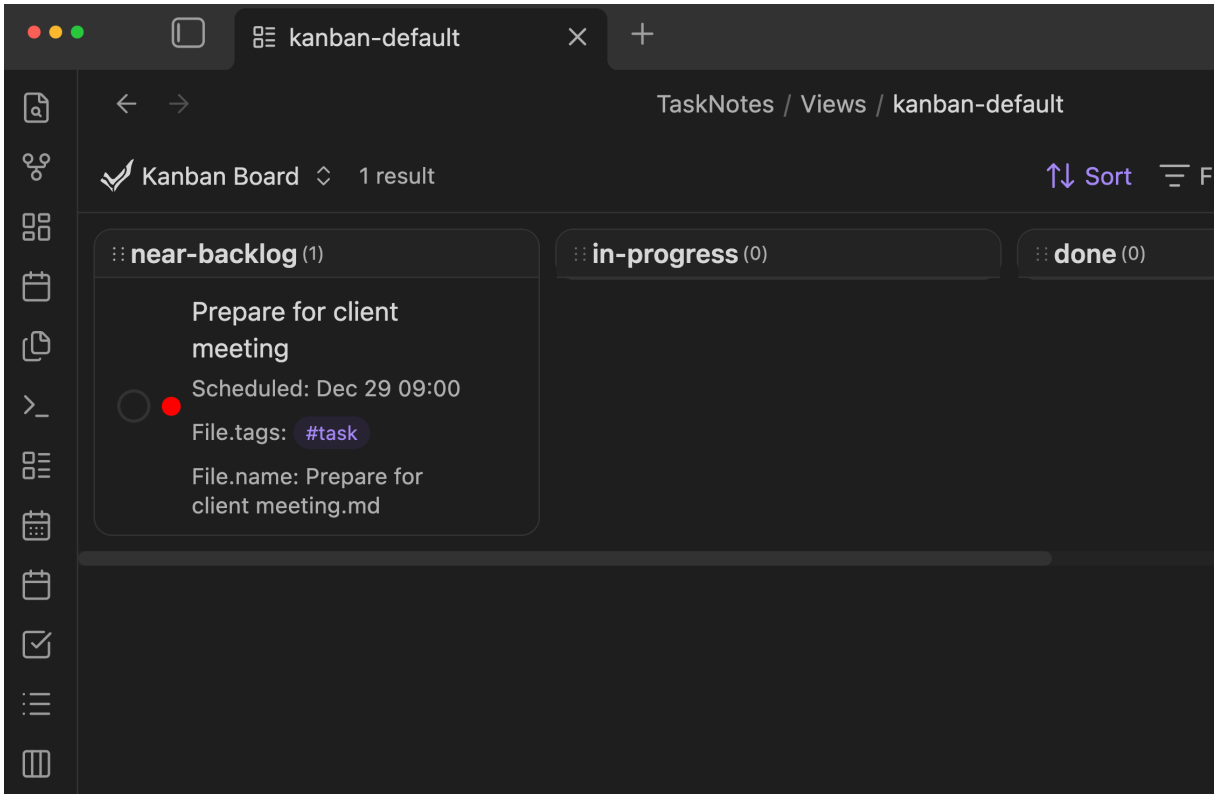
- **What:** “Prepare for client meeting”
- **When:** Tomorrow at 9:00 AM
- **Priority:** High (inferred from “meeting with client”)

The task appears in your `Tasks/` folder in Obsidian, properly formatted with frontmatter.

To see it on the Kanban board, open the command palette (Cmd+P) and search “kanban”:



Your task is right there, scheduled and ready:



This is the transformation:

Instead of: navigate → create file → add frontmatter → fill fields → save
You just: **describe what you need in plain English**

More Things to Try

Query Commands

Say this	What happens
`Show my goals`	Lists all active goals
`Show high priority goals`	Filters by priority
`What are my tasks?`	Lists active tasks
`What did I edit recently?`	Shows recent files

Task Commands

Say this	What happens
`Create a task: Call mom tomorrow`	Creates scheduled task
`Add a high priority task for X`	Creates with priority
`Show my tasks for today`	Filters by date

Morning Routine

Say this	What happens
`Start my morning`	Runs full morning workflow
`Review yesterday`	Shows yesterday's summary
`Plan my day`	Creates tasks based on goals

Bonus: Morning Routine Skill

The starter kit includes a morning routine skill that helps you start each day with intention.

```
Start my morning
```

What It Does

1. **Reviews yesterday** — Reads your recent daily notes and summarizes what happened
2. **Morning check-in** — Asks how you're feeling, your energy level, sleep quality
3. **Shows your goals** — Queries active goals so you remember what matters
4. **Plans the day** — Suggests tasks based on your energy and priorities

The Daily Note

After the check-in, Claude creates a note in `Daily/` with your responses:

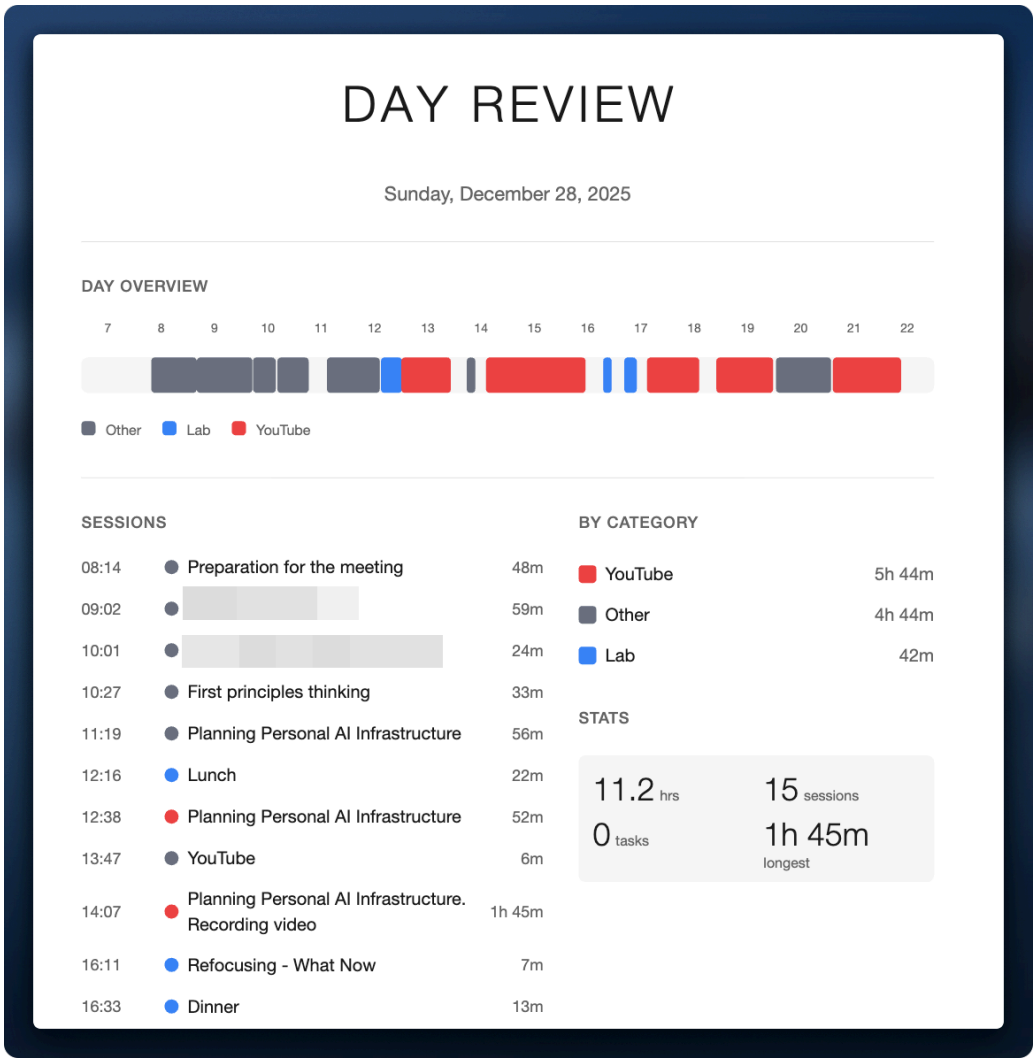
```
---
date: 2025-12-29
mood: good
energy: 7
sleep_quality: 8
---

# Morning Check-in

## How I'm feeling
Rested, ready to tackle the day…
```

This creates a daily record you can look back on.
Over time, you'll see patterns in your energy and productivity.

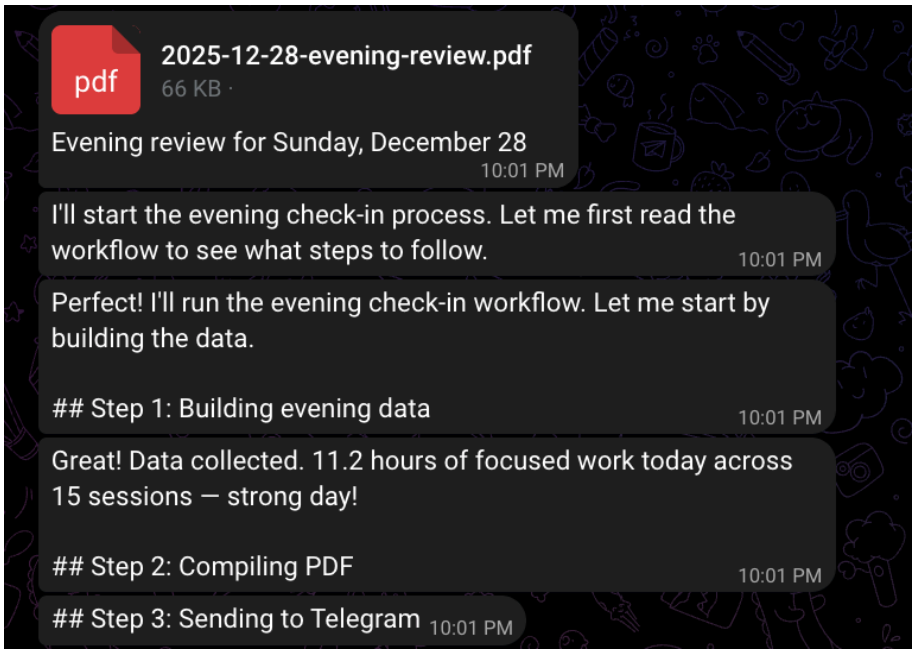
What's Possible

The starter kit is just the beginning. With custom skills, Claude can automate entire workflows.

Automated Daily Reports
Claude tracks your work throughout the day and generates a visual report:



Then sends it to you automatically via Telegram:



The possibilities:

- Morning briefs with sleep data, calendar, and priorities
- Email processing and drafting responses
- Meeting prep with context from your notes
- Weekly reviews aggregating your progress
- Business automation: invoices, reports, client updates

If you can describe it, Claude can probably do it.

Troubleshooting

“Cannot connect” or “Obsidian not responding”
Make sure Obsidian is open with this vault. The skills communicate with Obsidian through local plugins — Obsidian must be running.

“Skill not found”
Make sure you ran `claude .` (with the dot) from inside the vault folder. The dot tells Claude to load skills from `.claude/skills/`.

Queries return no results
Check that the folder has files. The starter kit includes sample goals and tasks — if you deleted them, the queries will be empty.

Want to build your own skills?

Join the workshop to create custom workflows for your specific needs.

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