AI Tutor Picker + Session Checklist

From "Best AI Tutors" on the StudySim blog (studysim.ai/blog/best-ai-tutors). Prices change: check each vendor's page before you pay.

1. Pick your tutor (circle one row)

If you mostly need...	Start with	Why
Guided K-12 practice on Khan Academy lessons	Khanmigo	Built to guide you to the answer instead of giving it
A free tutor for any subject, including your own files	ChatGPT study mode	Step-by-step questions and hints, on every plan
A tutor inside Google tools	Gemini Guided Learning	Step-by-step mode in the Gemini app
A visual explanation of your notes, then a quiz or flashcards	StudySim visual tutor	Animated board, checkpoint question, study tools in one place
Math homework you want to understand	Photomath	Scan a problem and follow each step
A full course on a new topic	Tutor AI	Builds a custom course with lessons and quizzes

2. Before each session

- ☐ Write the one topic or problem set you want to master today: _____
- ☐ Upload or paste your own class notes, slides or assignment so the tutor uses your course's wording
- ☐ Tell the tutor: "Ask me questions and give hints. Don't give me the final answer until I try."
- ☐ Set a time limit (for example, 30 to 60 minutes)

3. During the session

- ☐ Try every step yourself before asking for the next hint
- ☐ Explain the idea back in your own words and ask the tutor what you got wrong
- ☐ Check any fact, formula or date against your textbook or notes (AI can make mistakes)
- ☐ Ask for 3 to 5 practice questions at the end and answer them without help

4. After the session: test yourself later

Date	Topic	Tutor used	Practice score	Still unclear	Review again on

5. Keep or switch? (after 2 weeks)

- ☐ Did it make me think, or did it just hand me answers?
- ☐ Did my practice scores go up on topics I tutored?
- ☐ Is the free plan enough, or am I paying for features I use every week?

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