

## **An Advice Column for the Age of Algorithms Answer Key**

### **1. Dear AI - The Ignoring Friend**

#### **Should this person trust AI's advice?**

Only partly. AI can suggest calm, logical ways to handle communication issues, but friendship problems are emotional and personal.

#### **What might the AI say?**

"It may be helpful to give your friend space and check in later to discuss your feelings."

#### **When should a human step in?**

When emotions or empathy are needed - a real conversation with the friend or a trusted adult will give more meaningful insight than data analysis.

### **2. Dear AI - Choosing a Future Career**

#### **Should this person trust AI's advice?**

Not completely. AI can match interests with careers, but it can't understand passion, purpose, or happiness.

#### **What might the AI say?**

"Based on your interests and skills, potential careers include accounting, data organization, or research analysis."

#### **When should a human step in?**

When exploring motivation, joy, and values - things that come from personal reflection and conversation, not algorithms.

### **3. Dear AI - The Screen Time Debate**

#### **Should this person trust AI's advice?**

Probably not - AI can offer data but can't balance family dynamics or personal well-being.

#### **What might the AI say?**

"Experts recommend balancing screen use with physical activity and in-person relationships."

#### **When should a human step in?**

When setting realistic, family-based rules that consider everyone's feelings and routines - something a machine can't personalize fully.