

The 4-Step Compound Loop

Your repeatable workflow for every feature

STEP 1: PLAN

Prompt: "Before building, research the best approach for [feature]."

- Claude researches the codebase and best practices
- You get a detailed plan before any code is written
- Review and refine the plan before proceeding

STEP 2: WORK

Prompt: "Build it according to the plan we just made."

- Claude implements the feature
- Follows the agreed-upon approach
- Creates/modifies files as needed

STEP 3: ASSESS

Prompt: "Review what you just built. Any issues or improvements?"

- Claude reviews its own work
- You test and provide feedback
- Fix any bugs or polish rough edges

STEP 4: COMPOUND

Prompt: "Document what we learned in Claude.md for next time."

- Record decisions made
- Note what worked well
- Next session starts faster with this context