



// SECTION 01 • PLAYBOOK

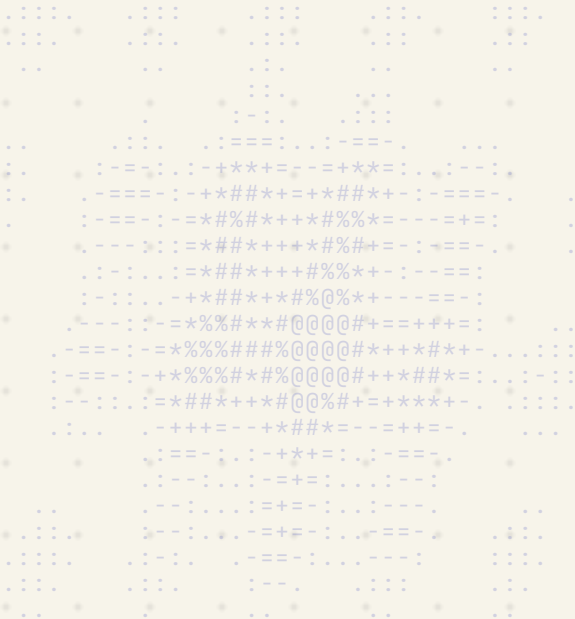
THE AI DAILY DRIVER STACK



The minimal set of AI tools that actually earn their place in a daily workflow – grouped by job, one line of why for each. The working stack, no affiliate fluff.

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> boot opusjake_os
> resource: ai-daily-driver-stack
> version: v1.0 • 2026
> status: ready_
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Most people collect AI tools and use none of them. This is the opposite – the minimal stack that earns its place in a daily workflow.



THINKING & WRITING

The reasoning layer. This is where you draft, think out loud, and work through hard problems before anything gets built.

// CLAUDE

Long-context reasoning, drafting, code.
The daily driver.

Reach for it first for anything that needs depth — long documents, real reasoning, code that has to work.

// CHATGPT

Fast lookups, voice mode, image gen
when you need it.

The quick-answer and utility belt. Voice on the move, images on demand.

BUILDING

Where intent becomes software. Plain English in, shipped product out.

// CLAUDE CODE

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Turn plain-English into shipped  
software in the terminal.
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Describe the change, it makes it. The fastest path from idea to running code.

// CURSOR

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AI-native editor for when you're  
hands-on in the code.
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For when you want your hands on the keys – AI in the editor, not the terminal.

CAPTURE & RECALL

The memory layer. Catch what matters so you don't carry it in your head.

// GRANOLA

AI notes that actually summarize
your meetings.

Walk out of every call with the summary already written.

// RAYCAST AI

Quick prompts without leaving
the keyboard.

Fire a prompt from anywhere. No tab-switch, no context loss.

THE RULE

Pick one per row. Two tools that do the same job is a tax, not a stack.

JOB	RUN ONE
Thinking & writing	Claude <i>or</i> ChatGPT
Building	Claude Code <i>or</i> Cursor
Capture & recall	Granola <i>or</i> Raycast AI

Master the few, ignore the rest. Follow [opusjake.ai](#) for the full toolkit breakdowns.