

CLAUDE SETTINGS

What to Turn On, What to Leave Alone

MEMORY

- **Search & reference chat:** **SAFE** to turn on. Lets you reference other conversations.
- **Generate memory from chat history:** Optional. Hasn't shown dramatic results. On or off, according to your comfort level.
- **Import memory:** Only if migrating from another AI.

TOOL ACCESS

- **Load tools when needed:** Good default. Switch if things get laggy with many tools connected.

CAPABILITIES

- **Artifacts/Visuals:** Turn on if you're visual. Turn off if the preview window annoys you.
- **Code execution:** Required for Skills.

CONNECTORS

- Start with **NONE**. Add only what you need, one at a time. Play with Claude a while. Get comfortable. You don't have to add anything ever and you'll still be fine.

BROWSER ACTIONS

- Keep **OFF** until you need it. The "gate" analogy: turning it on opens the gate, but Claude won't walk through the door until you tell it to.
- **NEVER use Claude-in-Chrome on financial/banking sites.**
- **Prompt injection warning: bad actors hide instructions in white text on white backgrounds. If a site looks sketchy, stop everything immediately.**

CLAUDE CODE NOTE (WINDOWS ONLY)

- Windows users may be required to install **Git** before using Claude Code mode. This is a Windows-specific requirement, not needed on Mac.

MODES

- **Chat:** Right brain. Brainstorming, creativity, exploring.
- **Cowork:** The bridge. Conversation + action together.
- **Code:** Left brain. Execution, building, getting it done.
- **Dispatch:** POWERFUL but credit-hungry. Use sparingly. Still in beta.

BILLING TIP

- **Haiku** = cheapest, good for planning
- **Sonnet** = middle ground, good for most work
- **Opus** = most capable, best for building right the first time

