

Build version 0.1 in 60 minutes

A useful Voice DNA begins with evidence, not a perfect prompt.

01 Collect

Choose five pieces you genuinely wrote and would still publish.

02 Label

Mark context, audience, authorship, editing, and authenticity.

03 Extract

Write observed patterns with a quote and confidence level.

04 Contrast

Add one bad output, your correction, and why it changed.

05 Protect

Forbid invented experience, feelings, tests, clients, and results.

06 Test

Run the same calibration prompt before and after a rule change.

The minimum viable file

Identity + observable mechanics + one teaching rule + one anti-voice rule + one corrected example + truth boundary + one calibration test.

Minimum viable Voice DNA

Copy this structure into Markdown. Replace every bracket with evidence from your writing.

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# Voice DNA: [Name]

## Identity and audience
- Role: [real role]
- Audience: [one reader]
- Voice: [observable behavior in one sentence]

## Mechanics
- Sentences: [range + purpose]
- Paragraphs: [range + purpose]
- Prefer: [words and moves]
- Avoid: [phrases and structures]

## Teaching and judgment
[How you explain, recommend, disagree, and qualify]

## Corrected example
Bad: [output]
Corrected: [your version]
Rule: [behavior + context + limit]

## Truth boundary
Never invent first-person evidence. Use [EVIDENCE NEEDED].

## Calibration
Run the same prompt. Score truth at 5/5.
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SEVEN-POINT OUTPUT CHECK

- ☐ Sounds recognizable, not exaggerated
- ☐ Uses only supplied evidence
- ☐ Matches the selected mode
- ☐ Names specifics and limitations
- ☐ Avoids repeated verbal tics
- ☐ Flags missing first-person proof
- ☐ Ends with the right next action