83% of UK Teachers Agree AI is a Time-Saver - with 88% of Frequent Users Reducing Workloads by up to Five Hours a Week

Survey highlights:

- 60% of teachers using AI for work purposes
- Frequent users (66%) think AI will make a positive contribution to children's education
- 76% yet to receive any training or substantial guidance from their school
- 58% of educators agree with the Government's vision of AI improving education

Sheffield, England, March 4th, 2025: [Twinkl](), the leading educational publisher and solution provider, has surveyed over 6,500 UK teachers to explore their attitudes towards artificial intelligence - revealing a majority of educators (60%) are already making use of AI at school, substantially more than private life usage (43%). Over a fifth are using it daily at work.

With the National Literacy Trust recording the number of teachers who had used generative AI as 3 in 10 in 2023, and nearly half (47.7%) in 2024, the Twinkl survey suggests work usage (60%) is rising fast.

Most educators are making use of the technology either weekly (44%) or daily (23%). These frequent users are saving significant amounts of time each week - with 24% claiming to save up to an hour, 64% between 1-5 hours, and 9% over 5 hours.

"The research shows teachers are increasingly embracing AI to reduce admin tasks, improve work-life balance, and free-up time to focus on teaching. Some educators (3%) are even using AI to save over ten hours a week," commented Jonathan Park, Head of AI, Twinkl. "With excessive workloads and poor work-life balance often cited by teachers as their main reasons for leaving the profession, the uptake of AI can completely change the game - giving teachers back precious hours and allowing them to focus on teaching the next generation."

Government vision approval - but guidance needed

A majority (58%) of educators agree with the Government's belief that AI will 'allow teachers to personalise lessons to children's needs', and can also 'reduce paperwork for teachers', as laid out in its January 'AI Opportunities Action Plan'. In turn, two-thirds think AI will have a positive impact on education standards. However, only 19% believe AI is sufficiently regulated, while 76% are yet to receive any training or substantial guidance from their school.

In terms of tools frequent AI users would like to have, the following topped teacher wish lists:

- 63% - an AI tool for lesson content creation (e.g. worksheets, slides)
- 58% - an AI tool for lesson planning

- 55% - an AI tool for report writing
- 50% - an AI assistant for quick training/continuous professional development (CPD)
- 46% - an AI tool for exam/test generation
- 39% - an AI tool for marking/grading

"The good news for educators is that many of the AI programs they would like to use already exist. For example, 72,000 teachers have already made use of Twinkl's AI Report Writer tool," said Jonathan Park. "As an increasing number of offerings hit the market, what teachers clearly need is better guidance on what solutions to trust, as well as effective training on how best to make use of AI's potential at school."

To help teachers find efficiency gains, Twinkl has built a suite of AI education solutions, used by over 170,000 teachers globally. This includes Ari, a chatbot-style assistant that helps with a wide variety of everyday teaching tasks - including lesson planning, report writing, quiz generation and comprehension questions.

Further data from the AI teacher survey, as well as infographics of the key results, can be found on the Twinkl website here.

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About Twinkl's AI survey
Twinkl surveyed 6,501 UK-based teachers between January 15th and January 22nd. The company also surveyed 3,777 teachers in the USA (these results are available on the Twinkl website).

Data described as belonging to 'frequent' AI users is drawn from respondents who said they were using AI tools at work on a weekly or daily basis. This was applied to questions where a level of AI use/experience was needed to provide a meaningful answer.

About Twinkl
Twinkl was founded in 2010 by husband and wife Jonathan and Susie Seaton with a mission "to help those who teach." The company provides high-quality, standards-aligned printable and digital teaching resources, tools, and services.

Today, Twinkl offers over 1.5 million resources via its website, with new content added daily. These range from classroom materials and assessments, to AI tools and augmented reality games. Twinkl is used and trusted by schools and educators in over 190 countries and regions globally. It serves teachers, homeschoolers, and parents in all educational settings.