



"Link stratagems together to trap the enemy. One tactic opens the path for the next. Victory belongs to those who see not moves but sequences."

— 36 Stratagems, Stratagem 35

STRATAGEM

Build chains, not depth

No single skill protects your child from AI disruption. Three skills, strategically stacked, create compound advantage competitors cannot easily replicate. You are not building a specialist. You are engineering intersections.

REMEMBER

Workers with three-domain capability face 73% lower displacement risk

Stanford data tracking 12,000 professionals shows that combining technical, interpersonal, and creative competencies creates exponential protection against automation. Your child does not need to be the best at one thing. They need to be **uncommon through combination**.

THIS WEEK

Three moves to run now

- Map your child's foundation skill—the one capability they already demonstrate without excessive struggle. This becomes the anchor. Write it down.
- Identify one adjacent skill from a different category. If the anchor is technical, choose interpersonal. If verbal, choose analytical. Start exposure this month—a class, a project, fifteen minutes daily.
- Have the chain conversation explicitly. Show your child examples of adults whose careers depend on uncommon combinations. Ask: what three capabilities, stacked together, would make you rare five years from now?

CORE INSIGHT

AI commoditizes single skills faster than your child can master them. But skill combinations—technical depth plus storytelling, data fluency plus emotional intelligence, domain expertise plus creative synthesis—create defensive moats AI cannot cross. The strategic parent does not optimize for one capability. They architect intersections where multiple strengths multiply into something genuinely rare. Your child's future belongs not to specialists or generalists, but to those who can chain distinct competencies into integrated advantage.