

Vibe coding for business: build or buy, the six-part prompt and the three checks

The core of the free Vibe Coding for Business course, practised there on real Lovable screens.

Build or buy

Build

Small internal tools that fit how you work: a sign-out board, a tracker, a calculator.

Buy

Anything with money, payroll, health or legal data, or that must never go down.

Count

The time to fix and update it for a year, not the minute it took to make.

A build prompt in six parts

1. Who it is for (the business, the team).
2. What is on the screen.
3. What each button does.
4. Starting data, so you can test straight away.
5. The look (two colours, one style word).
6. The limits: "No logins and no database yet" for a first version.

Test like a customer

- Do the happy path: the right code and name.
- Do the unhappy path on purpose: a wrong name, a blank box.
- Write the not-found message into the prompt yourself.

Three checks before you share

1. Who can open it? Publish panel: public, your workspace or invite only.
2. Where does the data live? Search the code for a real name.
3. What will it cost? Ask in Chat mode: logins, database, rules, credits.

Remember: Made-up data: share the demo. Real customer data: logins, a database and row-level security first, then test as the wrong customer.

Practice it free: Lovable: Build or Buy? Vibe Code an Office App in One Prompt at learn.ynteractive.com/modules/lovable-build-vs-buy. This sheet: learn.ynteractive.com/content/cheat-sheets/vibe-coding-business. Northfield Accounting and Brightside Bookkeeping is a made-up business from the lesson. By Robert Breen, October 24, 2026.