

Tool Verification Report

AI Builder Lab | April 2026 | Pre-Launch Verification

This report verifies the current status of all tools recommended in the AI Builder Lab curriculum. One critical issue was identified (Glide free tier change) and has been resolved in the curriculum.

Verification Summary

Tool	Used For	Free Tier?	Status
Glide	Track 1 (optional paid)	No*	RESOLVED
Carrd	Track 2 (portfolio)	Yes (3 sites)	OK
Notion	Track 2 (alt)	Yes	OK
GitHub Pages	Hosting (code)	Yes	OK
Netlify	Hosting (code)	Yes	OK
Vercel	Hosting (code)	Yes	OK
Google Sheets	Track 3 (data)	Yes	OK
Chart.js	Track 3 (charts)	Yes (open source)	OK
VS Code	Tracks 1 & 3 (editor)	Yes	OK

Glide Free Tier Change — RESOLVED

Issue identified: Glide's free plan no longer allows publishing apps. As of 2026, the free tier only supports unlimited draft apps but you cannot publish them. The cheapest plan that allows publishing (Maker) costs \$25/month.

Resolution: The curriculum has been updated. Track 1 now recommends HTML/CSS/JS as the default building tool (deployed free via Netlify or GitHub Pages). Glide is mentioned as an optional paid alternative. The guided building sessions in Lessons 5.3 and 5.4 provide HTML-based prompts as the primary path, with Glide instructions available for students who choose that option. The Tool Setup quickstart in Lesson 5.3 walks students through downloading VS Code, creating a project folder, and previewing HTML files in their browser.