

NotebookLM Integration with Gemini Chat

As of early 2026, you can now directly integrate your **NotebookLM** projects as sources within a Gemini chat session. This creates a two-way sync where documents, notes, and research stay updated across both platforms.

How to Import Your Notebook into Gemini

1. **Open Gemini:** Go to the Gemini web app or mobile app.
2. **Attach Source:** Click the **plus (+)** icon in the prompt box (where you normally upload files).
3. **Select NotebookLM:** You will see an option for **NotebookLM**. Selecting this will open a list of your existing notebooks.
4. **Choose Your Project:** Select the notebook you want to use. Gemini will now ground its responses in the specific sources (PDFs, YouTube links, text notes) within that notebook.

Key Features of the Integration

- **Two-Way Sync:** If you add a new source or rename your notebook in NotebookLM, the changes reflect in Gemini automatically.
- **Gemini Chats as Context:** You can opt-in to have your Gemini conversations saved back into the NotebookLM project, effectively building your knowledge base through your dialogue.
- **Custom Gems:** You can link a NotebookLM project to a **Gem (a custom assistant)**. This is particularly useful for your physics research or course prep, as you can create a "Physics Textbook Assistant" that always references your specific drafts and source materials.
- **Tool Complementarity:** While Gemini is better for broad research and writing, NotebookLM remains the go-to for specialized outputs like **Audio Overviews** or **Infographics** that Gemini cannot yet generate directly from notebook data.

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