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As we mentioned before, writing code that can be read and understood—both by yourself and by others—is a crucial skill as you develop code in larger projects with a longer life span. Many aspects of a code's design and implementation contribute to its readability—or lack thereof. Many novice programmers get completely focused on getting their code to work and ignore its readability. While correct code is critical, it is harder to make unreadable code work correctly. Additionally, you are likely to develop bad habits—which become harder to break the longer you have them. You do not want to end up like this guy http://xkcd.com/1513/.

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