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You said:

im new to python, is there any tips you can give me? I'm completely new to coding in general but i've used blender before and have gotten some syntax errors which all i see is strings of letters and words. so learning this will help a lot

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ChatGPT said:

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It's awesome that you're starting with Python, especially with some background in Blender! Here are some beginner-friendly tips to help you get comfortable with coding in Python:

1. **Understand Basic Syntax:** Python's syntax is designed to be easy to read. Indentation is super important, so be careful with spaces or tabs, as they help define blocks of code (e.g., loops, conditionals).

Start Simple: Begin with basic concepts like variables, data types (integers, strings, lists), and operations. For example:

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```
my_variable = 5
my_string = "Hello, Python!"
print(my_string)
```

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3. **Use a Good Text Editor:** I recommend trying a code editor like **VS Code** or **PyCharm**. These editors highlight syntax errors, help with indentation, and auto-complete common code snippets, which can prevent a lot of headaches.
4. **Work with Errors:** Since you've seen syntax errors in Blender, you'll encounter similar ones in Python. It's important to learn how to read and understand error messages. They often tell you where the problem is (line number) and what the issue might be (like a typo, missing colon, etc.).
5. **Python Documentation:** Python's official documentation is very beginner-friendly. If you're confused about how a function works, check it out: [Python Docs](#).
6. **Practice:** Websites like **LeetCode**, **Codewars**, or **HackerRank** provide great Python problems to solve. The more you code, the more comfortable you'll become with its syntax and logic.

Focus on Debugging: Learn to use the `print()` function to understand what your code is doing at different points. You can place print statements to see how variables change or where the code might be going wrong.

For example:

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```
x = 10
print(f"x is currently: {x}")
```

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8. **Learn Through Projects:** You mentioned using Blender, which is a great start! You can eventually automate parts of Blender using Python scripting once you're comfortable. Building small projects helps reinforce what you've learned.

Feel free to share any specific errors you're getting, and I can walk you through them!

You said:

thank for the tips but im still very lost still i've never touched a single bit of code. what do i do right after i install python

ChatGPT said:

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No worries at all! It can feel overwhelming when you're just starting, but I'll guide you through the very first steps after you install Python. Here's a simple roadmap to get you started:

1. Install Python (if you haven't already)

- Download the latest version from the [official Python website](#).
- During installation, make sure you check the box that says "**Add Python to PATH**" — this lets you use Python in your command line.

2. Open a Code Editor or IDE

You'll need an environment where you can write your code. Here are some beginner-friendly options:

- **IDLE:** Python comes with its own built-in editor called IDLE. You can find it in your start menu after installation.
- **VS Code:** It's a lightweight and very popular code editor. You can download it [here](#). Once installed, add the Python extension from its marketplace to help with Python coding.

3. Write Your First Program!

Let's start with something simple to build your confidence: a "Hello, World!" program.

If you're using **IDLE** or **VS Code**:

1. Open the editor and create a new file (in VS Code, you can save it as `hello.py`).

In that file, type:

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```
print("Hello, World!")
```

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3. Save the file.

4. Run Your Code

To run your Python file, here's what you do:

- **If using IDLE**, you can directly run it from the editor by pressing **F5** or selecting **Run -> Run Module** from the menu.

If using VS Code, right-click the code and choose **Run Python File in Terminal**, or open a terminal and type:

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```
python hello.py
```

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You should see the output: `Hello, World!`.

5. Learn the Basics

Now that you've written and run your first Python program, the next steps are:

Variables: Store and manipulate data.

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```
name = "Alice"
```

```
age = 25
```

```
print(name, "is", age, "years old.")
```

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Conditions: Add logic using `if` statements.

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```
if age > 18:
    print("You are an adult!")
else:
    print("You are a minor.")
```

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Loops: Repeat tasks using loops.

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```
for i in range(5):
    print("Loop iteration:", i)
```

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6. Use Interactive Mode (Optional)

If you want to experiment quickly:

1. Open your terminal (Command Prompt on Windows, Terminal on macOS/Linux).
2. Type `python` and press enter.

You'll be inside the **Python interpreter** where you can type Python commands and see results immediately. Try typing:

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```
print("Hello from interactive mode!")
```

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7. Take Baby Steps

At this point, focus on learning the following fundamentals:

- Variables and Data Types (e.g., strings, numbers, lists).
- Basic operations (e.g., addition, concatenation).
- Conditions (e.g., `if`, `else`).
- Loops (`for` loops, `while` loops).
- Functions (writing reusable blocks of code).

8. Learning Resources

Here are some great places to learn step-by-step with exercises:

- [Python's Official Tutorial](#)
- W3Schools Python Tutorial
- [Automate the Boring Stuff with Python](#) – a free book with practical examples.

Example 1: A Simple Program

Let's put together a small program:

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```
# This program asks for your name and greets you.  
name = input("What's your name? ")  
print("Hello, " + name + "!")
```

Save it, run it, and see how it interacts with you!

Key Points:

1. Install Python and use either IDLE or VS Code.
2. Write your first program (`print("Hello, World!")`).
3. Experiment with basic concepts: variables, loops, conditions.
4. Take it slow and practice!

Does that help clarify where to go after installation? If you're stuck at any part, let me know!

You said:

is there a limit on how many "else" statements i can insert into an "If"

ChatGPT said:

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In Python, you can only have **one** `else` statement in an `if` block. However, you can have **multiple** `elif` (else-if) statements, which help you add more conditions. Here's how it works:

Basic Structure:

1. **if**: This checks the first condition.
2. **elif**: These check additional conditions (you can have multiple).
3. **else**: This catches anything that didn't match the `if` or `elif` conditions.

Example:

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```
x = 10
```

```
if x > 15:
    print("x is greater than 15")
elif x > 10:
    print("x is greater than 10 but less than or equal to 15")
elif x == 10:
    print("x is exactly 10")
else:
    print("x is less than 10")
```

Explanation:

- **First**, Python checks the **if** condition (**x > 15**). If it's **True**, it runs that block.
- **Then**, if the **if** is **False**, it checks the next **elif** condition (**x > 10**), and so on.
- If none of the conditions are **True**, it runs the **else** block.

Summary:

- You can only have **one else** statement.
- You can have as many **elif** statements as you need.
- Python evaluates conditions from top to bottom, and it stops when it finds the first **True** condition.

Here's a clearer visualization:

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```
if condition_1:
    # Do something if condition_1 is True
elif condition_2:
    # Do something if condition_1 is False but condition_2 is True
elif condition_3:
    # Do something if both condition_1 and condition_2 are False but
    condition_3 is True
else:
```

```
# Do this if all the conditions are False
```

Let me know if you'd like more examples or a deeper explanation!

You said:

im trying the example with my own little twist to it. but i keep getting this error name = "Alice"
age = 14 print(name,"is" , age, "years old.") if age > 18: print("you're an adult!") elif > 90:
print("you're old!!") else: print("you're a baby!")

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Great attempt! The error you're getting happens because the `elif` statement is missing a variable to compare the number 90 against. In Python, you always need to compare a value or variable on both sides of a comparison operator (like `>`, `<`, etc.).

Here's the corrected version of your code:

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```
name = "Alice"  
age = 14  
print(name, "is", age, "years old.")  
  
if age > 18:  
    print("You're an adult!")  
elif age > 90: # Here, we're comparing 'age' to 90  
    print("You're old!!")  
else:  
    print("You're a baby!")
```

Key Changes:

- In the `elif` statement, you need to include `age > 90`, since you are comparing the `age` variable to 90.

Without that, Python doesn't know what you're trying to compare `90` with, so it throws an error.

Explanation:

1. **if age > 18:** If `age` is greater than 18, it will print "You're an adult!".
2. **elif age > 90:** If the `if` condition is `False` and the `age` is greater than 90, it will print "You're old!!".
3. **else:** If none of the conditions are met, it will print "You're a baby!".

So in your case, since `age = 14`, the program will skip the `if` and `elif` conditions and print "You're a baby!".

Output:

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```
Alice is 14 years old.  
You're a baby!
```

Try running that and let me know if it works!

You said:

is there a way so the "if statement doesnt overwrite the "elif"? when i put the age that's over 90. the output is "you're an adult!"

ChatGPT said:

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Great question! The reason you're seeing "You're an adult!" when the age is over 90 is that the `if` condition (`age > 18`) is checked **first**, and since any age over 90 is also greater than 18, it satisfies the `if` condition and doesn't go on to check the `elif`.

How to Fix This

You need to structure your conditions to make sure that specific conditions are checked **before** more general ones. In your case, if you want the "You're old!" message for ages over 90 to be prioritized, you should check for that first, like this:

Modified Code:

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```
name = "Alice"  
age = 95 # Example age over 90  
print(name, "is", age, "years old.")  
  
if age > 90: # Check for the highest range first
```



```
    print("You're old!!")
elif age > 18: # Then check if they're an adult (only if the age is
    <= 90)
    print("You're an adult!")
else:
    print("You're a baby!")
```

Explanation:

1. **if age > 90:** This condition is checked **first**. If **age** is over 90, it will print "You're old!!".
2. **elif age > 18:** This condition is checked **second**, but only if the first condition was **False** (i.e., the age is 90 or lower). So it handles adults.
3. **else:** If neither of the above conditions is **True** (i.e., the person is 18 or younger), it will print "You're a baby!".

Output for age = 95:

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Alice is 95 years old.

You're old!!

This way, the more specific condition (age > 90) is checked first, and the more general condition (age > 18) is checked afterward, ensuring the correct message is displayed.

Let me know how it goes!

You said:

is there a way i can save my code?

ChatGPT said:

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Yes, you can definitely save your Python code so you can run it later or share it! Here's how to save it depending on what you're using to write the code.

Option 1: Save Code in a Text Editor (e.g., VS Code or any code editor)

1. **Open a Text Editor or IDE:** If you're using VS Code, Notepad++, PyCharm, or even a basic text editor like Notepad (though using a code editor is better because it helps with debugging and highlighting syntax).
2. **Write Your Code:** Type your Python code in the editor.

3. Save the File:

- Go to **File** → **Save As**.
- Choose a location to save it (like a folder on your Desktop or Documents).
- When saving, give it a name like `my_code.py`. Make sure the file extension is `.py`, which tells your computer it's a Python file.

4. Run Your Saved Python Code:

Windows: Open Command Prompt, navigate to the folder where your Python file is saved using `cd` (change directory) commands, then run it by typing:

bash

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```
python my_code.py
```

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macOS/Linux: Open a terminal, navigate to the folder, and type:

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```
python3 my_code.py
```

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Option 2: Save Code in IDLE (Python's Built-In Editor)

1. **Open IDLE:** It comes installed with Python, and you can find it in your Start menu or Applications.
2. **Write Your Code:** Type the code in the editor window.
3. **Save the File:**
 - Click **File** → **Save As**.
 - Choose a name and save it with the `.py` extension (for example, `my_code.py`).
4. **Run the Code:**
 - In IDLE, you can run the code directly by pressing **F5** or selecting **Run** → **Run Module**.

Option 3: Use an Online Editor (No Installation Needed)

If you don't want to install anything yet, you can write and save your code online:

- **Replit** (replit.com) is a great place to write, run, and save Python code for free. You just need to sign up.
- **Google Colab** (colab.research.google.com) is another online platform where you can write Python code and save it as `.ipynb` (Jupyter notebook files), but it's a bit more advanced.

Option 4: Save Python Code as a Script

If you want to make your code a script that you can run automatically (without having to open a text editor every time):

1. Save it as a `.py` file.

From the terminal or command prompt, run:

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```
python my_script.py
```

2. This will execute the script as soon as you run it.

Example:

If you saved your code like this:

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```
name = "Alice"
age = 95
print(name, "is", age, "years old.")

if age > 90:
    print("You're old!!")
elif age > 18:
    print("You're an adult!")
else:
    print("You're a baby!")
```

And named the file `age_checker.py`, you could then run it using:

bash

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```
python age_checker.py
```

Let me know if you need any help with the process!

You said:

is there anyway i can improve my coding by doing problems and stuff?

ChatGPT said:

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Yes! Solving problems and practicing with small coding challenges is one of the **best ways** to improve your coding skills. It helps reinforce what you're learning, improves problem-solving abilities, and deepens your understanding of Python. Here are some great ways to practice:

1. Online Coding Platforms for Practice

These platforms provide coding problems that are categorized by difficulty, and they often have explanations and discussions for each problem.

- **HackerRank:** Offers Python-specific challenges and tutorials to get you started. You can solve problems ranging from beginner to advanced.
- **LeetCode:** Popular for algorithm and data structure problems. It has tons of problems that you can solve using Python. It's great for improving problem-solving skills.
- [Codewars](#): Offers coding challenges (called "katas") that are gamified. As you solve problems, you earn ranks and can attempt more difficult challenges.
- **Exercism:** A free platform that offers coding exercises across many languages, including Python. The cool thing is that you can get feedback from mentors if you wish.

2. Books and Courses

If you prefer structured learning, some books and courses offer both explanations and problem sets you can practice with:

- [Automate the Boring Stuff with Python](#): A free book with hands-on projects and exercises. It teaches Python by working through practical tasks like file handling and automating daily tasks.
- **Python Crash Course** by Eric Matthes: A very popular book for beginners. It covers basic Python concepts with hands-on projects (like games and web applications) and problem sets.
- **Codecademy**: An interactive learning platform where you can learn Python step-by-step with small exercises and mini-projects.

3. Project-Based Learning

Building projects is a fun and highly effective way to learn Python. When you create projects, you're applying the skills you've learned and learning to debug issues that arise. Here are some project ideas:

- **Simple Calculator:** Build a calculator that can perform basic math operations like addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division.
- **To-Do List App:** Create a simple to-do list where you can add tasks, mark them as complete, and delete them.

- **Guess the Number Game:** Write a program where the computer picks a random number, and the user has to guess it within a certain number of attempts.
- **Text-Based Adventure Game:** Create a simple text-based game where the user makes decisions that affect the storyline.

4. Daily Coding Challenges

If you prefer a bite-sized challenge each day, these platforms offer daily coding problems to keep your practice consistent:

- [Advent of Code](#): This is an annual event (in December) with daily programming challenges that get progressively harder. You can work through past challenges too.
- [Project Euler](#): Offers math-heavy programming problems that often require creative algorithms to solve.
- [100 Days of Code](#): A challenge where you code for at least an hour every day for 100 days. It's a great way to build consistency, and you can follow the challenge on social media for motivation.

5. Contribute to Open-Source Projects

If you're feeling adventurous, contributing to open-source projects on **GitHub** is an excellent way to gain real-world experience:

- You'll get to work on larger projects, collaborate with other developers, and improve your coding skills.
- Look for beginner-friendly repositories that have the "good first issue" tag.

6. Work on Algorithms and Data Structures

If you're serious about leveling up, understanding algorithms and data structures is key for writing efficient code and solving complex problems:

- **GeeksforGeeks**: A fantastic resource for learning about algorithms, data structures, and solving algorithmic problems in Python.
- [The Python Algorithms Book](#): A book dedicated to teaching algorithms in Python.

7. Practice Debugging

Solving problems often involves debugging errors or unexpected results. As you practice, you'll get better at reading error messages and figuring out where things go wrong. Use `print()` statements and the debugger in your editor (like VS Code) to help find issues in your code.

Suggested Next Steps:

1. **Choose a Platform:** Start with a beginner-friendly platform like HackerRank or Codewars.
2. **Start Simple:** Work through beginner-level problems to build your confidence.
3. **Build a Small Project:** After you get comfortable, work on small projects that interest you (e.g., a simple game or automation).
4. **Challenge Yourself:** Gradually work up to more complex problems as your skills improve.

Example Problem:

Here's a basic problem to try right now!

Problem:

Write a Python function that checks if a given number is **odd** or **even**. The function should take one argument (the number) and return whether it is "Odd" or "Even".

Solution:

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```
def check_odd_even(number):  
    if number % 2 == 0:  
        return "Even"  
    else:  
        return "Odd"  
  
# Test the function  
print(check_odd_even(7)) # Output: Odd  
print(check_odd_even(10)) # Output: Even
```

Let me know if you'd like to try something specific or need help finding problems to work on!

You said:

all of the platforms kinda seem like they want me to know a bit about Python before actually starting

ChatGPT said:

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You're right! Some platforms like LeetCode and HackerRank can feel a bit overwhelming if you're just getting started with Python. It's common for them to assume a basic understanding of programming concepts. But don't worry, there are other ways you can ease into Python before jumping into problem-solving on those platforms.

Here are some more **beginner-friendly ways to practice Python** that won't assume prior knowledge:

1. Interactive Python Tutorials for Absolute Beginners

These are great places to start if you have little or no experience and want to learn the basics **while solving simple problems**.

- [PythonTutor.com](#): An excellent resource where you can write Python code and **visualize** how the code executes step by step. You can run small snippets and see how variables and data flow, which is perfect for beginners.
- **SoloLearn**: A super beginner-friendly platform that introduces you to the basics of Python and gives you short problems to solve as you go. It's designed for people who are totally new to coding, so the lessons are gentle and progress slowly.
- **Real Python - Python Basics Course**: Real Python has a free Python Basics course where you can start with fundamental concepts, including basic syntax, variables, and loops. They offer both tutorials and mini-exercises to practice what you learn.
- **Edabit**: This platform is great for beginners because it has coding challenges that start at a **very basic level**. The first problems are super easy (e.g., "Write a function that returns the string 'Hello World!'"). It's perfect for practicing small bits of code without needing much prior knowledge.

2. Simpler Problem Sets for Beginners

If you feel like you need to work on smaller challenges before diving into the more complex platforms, try these:

- [PracticePython.org](#): Offers beginner-friendly exercises with explanations. The problems are small and approachable, such as checking if a number is prime, calculating sums, or making a simple guessing game.
- **CodingBat**: Designed specifically for beginners, this website offers small coding problems that focus on basic Python concepts like loops, conditionals, and string manipulation. It's perfect for getting practice without being too overwhelming.
- [PyBites](#): PyBites has a series of beginner-friendly Python exercises, and while some challenges are more advanced, they also have easier ones to get started with. They focus on teaching real-world Python through short challenges.

3. Project-Based Learning (Easy Starter Projects)

Sometimes the best way to get comfortable with Python is by building fun, small projects instead of just solving isolated problems. Here are a few easy projects to try:

Number Guessing Game: Write a simple Python script where the computer picks a random number, and the user has to guess it. You can add more features, like limiting the number of guesses or giving hints.

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```
import random
```

```
number = random.randint(1, 10)
```

```
guess = None
```

```
while guess != number:
```

```
    guess = int(input("Guess a number between 1 and 10: "))
```

```
    if guess < number:
```

```
        print("Too low!")
```

```
    elif guess > number:
```

```
        print("Too high!")
```

```
    else:
```

```
        print("You got it!")
```

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- **To-Do List:** Create a simple to-do list app that lets you add tasks and mark them as complete. Start by using the terminal to interact with the user, and then try storing the list in a text file or database as you get more comfortable.
- **Basic Calculator:** Write a calculator program that performs basic operations like addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division based on user input.

4. Follow Python Video Tutorials with Exercises

Sometimes watching video tutorials helps a lot, especially when you're still getting used to the language:

- [Programming with Mosh](#): A great Python crash course on YouTube, designed for complete beginners. Mosh goes through Python step by step, and you can follow along with him. He explains every concept carefully, and after each section, you can try exercises yourself.
- [CS50's Introduction to Python](#): This is Harvard's beginner-friendly course, which starts at the basics and covers both Python and computer science concepts. It's free and has practical examples you can follow along with.
- [freeCodeCamp Python Crash Course](#): This video is a fantastic introduction to Python for total beginners. The tutorial is long (about 4 hours), but it's structured for people who have no programming experience and want to learn by doing.

5. Join Python Communities

Sometimes it helps to have a community where you can ask questions and see how others are learning:

- [Reddit: LearnPython](#): A supportive community where people at all skill levels can ask questions. Beginners frequently ask questions, and the community is very helpful.
 - **Python Discord**: A large Python community where you can ask for help, find resources, and join coding challenges.
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Suggested Starting Point:

1. **Interactive Learning**: Start with SoloLearn or Edabit to get familiar with the basic syntax and how Python works.
 2. **Small Projects**: Once you understand the basics, try writing your own small projects (like a number guessing game or a calculator).
 3. **Beginner Coding Exercises**: Move on to platforms like PracticePython or CodingBat to practice what you've learned.
 4. **Communities**: Ask questions in Python forums if you get stuck, and don't be afraid to look up solutions and learn from them.
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Does any of this seem like a good fit for your learning style? Let me know if you want more specific help or suggestions!

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can you create an image of someone with a terrible posture and typing something on their computer

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Here is the image of someone with terrible posture, humorously typing on their computer. Let me know if you want any adjustments!

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