

***“You’ve been introduced to a different kind of teaching—hands-on exercises, surprise recitations, and a fast-paced learning environment. A lot has happened along the way. Do you think it’s worth continuing until the finals? Do you feel ready to face another set of challenges ahead?”***

The fast-paced, hands-on teaching style has been challenging, but at the same time, incredibly rewarding—especially when I finally absorb the lesson. The feeling is deeply satisfying.

At first, the surprise recitations and intensive exercises were overwhelming. But over time, I’ve learned to apply the concepts more effectively, at least to some degree. The early lessons were manageable, but as the topics advanced, I began identifying areas where I struggled—particularly when trying to piece together the information. Loops, for example, were difficult to understand initially. However, when I studied them at home in a quiet, comfortable space where I could focus, I found a way to fully absorb the concept. This same approach helped me tackle more complicated topics as well.

I find this teaching method highly effective, and I appreciate the strict instruction because it pushes me to work harder. I also value the motivation it gives me and the effort the professor puts into teaching—from the well-prepared resources to the laid out clearly discussions. I’m truly amazed and grateful, as this is my first time experiencing something like this.

Technically, I’ve learned a great deal. I admit that I’ve failed some exercises, but I’ve used those failures as motivation to improve. I’ve also gained insights into collaborating with teammates to accomplish tasks. Beyond technical skills, I’ve picked up valuable lessons in discipline and self-improvement, improving both my behavior and mindset. This experience has shaped my personality, making me more aware of my self-limiting behaviors and how to effectively change them.

Is it worth continuing? Yes. I won’t waste the effort I’ve invested in this subject, even though I’ve made mistakes at times. Failure doesn’t mean I can’t recover. I want to take on new challenges, and I’ll do my best to succeed. I’ll push through the pressure and anxiety to achieve my goal.

I know this journey has not only taught me about programming—it has also taught me about determination, discipline, and growth. I now see challenges not as obstacles, but as opportunities to grow. With everything I’ve learned and the thinking pattern I’ve built, I’m more determined than ever to finish what I started. I know the road ahead won’t be easy, but I’m ready to keep going—focused, motivated, and driven by my purpose.

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