 Colors

Hardcoded hex value


"This looks like a hardcoded color. Can we use a design token instead?"

Close but not exact

"This color (#3A81F5) is close to our primary (#3B82F6). Intentional, or should we use the token?"

Arbitrary Tailwind

"Can we use a theme color instead of bg-[#3B82F6]?"

 Typography

Hardcoded font size


"Can we use a typography token here instead of the hardcoded size?"

Custom font-family

"This declares font-family directly. Can we use our typography system?"

Non-standard weight

"We use 400, 500, 700 for weights. Reason for 600 here?"

 Spacing

Off-scale value


"This spacing (13px) isn't in our scale. Closest: 12px or 16px. Which fits?"

Magic number

"What's the reasoning behind 37px? If intentional, can we add a comment?"

Inconsistent spacing

"This spacing differs from similar components. Should we align for consistency?"

 Components

Inline style override

"This inline style overrides the component. Can we use a prop, or add a variant?"

!important flag

"I see !important here. Can we solve the specificity issue differently?"

Duplicated pattern

"This looks like our existing ComponentName. Can we use that instead?"

Quick Reference	
Issue	Question to Ask
Hardcoded color	"Can we use a token?"
Arbitrary spacing	"What's the closest scale value?"
Custom font size	"Do we have a type style for this?"
Inline styles	"Can a prop or variant handle this?"
!important	"What's causing the specificity issue?"
New CSS file	"Can existing utilities cover this?"
Similar to existing	"Why not use the existing component?"
Magic number	"What's the reasoning? Can we document it?"

Polite Version

"I noticed this uses a hardcoded value. Would you mind checking if there's a token? Happy to help find it!"

Direct Version

"Hardcoded color — use --color-primary-500 instead."

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