

1. Use meaningful names for variables, functions, and classes:

Bad example

```
x = 10
y = 20
def func(a, b):
    return a + b
```

Good example

```
width = 10
height = 20
def calculate_area(length, width):
    return length * width
```

2. Write small and focused functions:

Bad example

```
def process_data(data):
    # long and complicated function that does multiple things
    ...
```

Good example

```
def clean_data(data):
    # function that cleans the data
    ...
```

```
def analyze_data(data):
    # function that analyzes the data
    ...
```

```
def plot_data(data):
    # function that plots the data
```

3. Use comments sparingly and only when necessary:

Bad example

```
# Loop through the list and print each element
for i in range(len(my_list)):
    print(my_list[i])
```

Good example

```
for element in my_list:
    print(element)
```

4. Follow the PEP 8 style guide:

Bad example

```
def myFunction (argument1,argument2):
    result=argument1+argument2
    return result
```

Good example

```
def my_function(argument1, argument2):
    result = argument1 + argument2
    return result
```

5. Use docstrings to document functions and classes:

```
def calculate_area(length, width):  
    """Calculate the area of a rectangle.
```

Args:

length (float): The length of the rectangle.
width (float): The width of the rectangle.

Returns:

float: The area of the rectangle.
"""

```
    return length * width  
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```

6. Write tests for your code:

```
import unittest
```

```
class TestCalculation(unittest.TestCase):  
    def test_area_calculation(self):  
        self.assertEqual(calculate_area(10, 20), 200)
```

```
if __name__ == '__main__':  
    unittest.main()  
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```

7. Use exceptions to handle errors:

Bad example

```
result = 0  
if b != 0:  
    result = a / b
```

Good example

```
try:  
    result = a / b  
except ZeroDivisionError:  
    result = None  
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```

8. Use constants or configuration files instead of hardcoding values:

Bad example

```
def calculate_price(quantity):  
    price_per_item = 5.0  
    return quantity * price_per_item
```

Good example

```
PRICE_PER_ITEM = 5.0
```

```
def calculate_price(quantity):  
    return quantity * PRICE_PER_ITEM  
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```

9. Write simple and readable code:

```
# Bad example
result = a + (b * c) / (d ** e)
```

```
# Good example
term1 = b * c
term2 = d ** e
result = a + term1 / term2
```

10. Use built-in functions and libraries:

```
# Bad example
my_list = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
result = []
for item in my_list:
    result.append(item ** 2)
```

```
# Good example
my_list = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
result = list(map(lambda x: x ** 2, my_list))
```