**Response to the reading "HELLO WORLDS"**

* I agree and disagree with the statement " many of us in the humanities miss the extent to which programming is a creative activity"

-> From the software development aspect of this statement, yes it is a creative thinking process. The developer has many available resources and methods for completing  
 that specific task at hand and must decide and code for that specific method. Its creative.

-> As far as the design aspect of the software goes, in most cases the developer is under  
 strict guidelines as to how the software should operate, look, and feel to the end user.  
 This is set by the client that you are programming this for, and most times your   
 "improvements" you wish to make must be okayed by them.

* I read the line "Perl poems are popular; they consist of valid source code that has both compelling lyrical content and is functionally executable as a working program." this sincerely intrigued me so I made an effort to find a rather complex one floating around on the cloud. I placed a copy on the back of this paper!

#!/usr/bin/perl

APPEAL:

listen (please, please);

open yourself, wide;

join (you, me),

connect (us,together),

tell me.

do something if distressed;

@dawn, dance;

@evening, sing;

read (books,$poems,stories) until peaceful;

study if able;

write me if-you-please;

sort your feelings, reset goals, seek (friends, family, anyone);

do\*not\*die (like this)

if sin abounds;

keys (hidden), open (locks, doors), tell secrets;

do not, I-beg-you, close them, yet.

accept (yourself, changes),

bind (grief, despair);

require truth, goodness if-you-will, each moment;

select (always), length(of-days)

# listen (a perl poem)

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