



Common data-cleaning pitfalls

In this reading, you will learn the importance of data cleaning and how to identify common mistakes. Some of the errors you might come across while cleaning your data could include:



Common mistakes to avoid

- **Not checking for spelling errors:** Misspellings can be as simple as typing or input errors. Most of the time the wrong spelling or common grammatical errors can be detected, but it gets harder with things like names or addresses. For example, if you are working with a spreadsheet table of customer data, you might come across a customer named “John” whose name has been input