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Response: [Processing Code](#)

Casey Reas and Ben Fry's discourse regarding the history of Processing was interesting. The authors' comparison of graphical user interfaces and unconventional languages such as Processing helped put into perspective for me the innovative nature of both projects and how they have left a permanent impact on the way people interact with computers. This comparison was the part of the reading that stood out to me most, as it is clear to me that the normalization of GUI within nearly every current software or website is what sparked the transition towards technological accessibility, opening a gateway for the general public to intuitively enter a previously esoteric space.

Similarly, I can see how the development of languages such as Processing that allow new programmers to create complex code that is nearly human-readable with general ease is groundbreaking. Complex syntax and build-it-yourself ideologies have prevented the general public from learning code on their own, but with the development of more accessible languages more and more people are able to freely enter the programming space.