Did typing the examples help you better understand the material?

Typing does help me understand the material. In coding repetition is key so the more I do it the more I pick up, a little bit at a time. And the more I make typos, the more I understand what effects they have on the program when it is run. Also when I am typing each line I am in my head trying to understand it as I go, so I’m not just blindly copying code.

Write another paragraph about coming up with your own examples; did it help?

Coming up with my own examples always helps because it allows me to see how the changes I make affect the program. Its one thing to stare at code in a book and another typing it out myself and making changes and fixes.

Finally, write one last paragraph about where you are struggling with these examples from Tatroe & McIntyre!

My main struggle is writing clean code that will actually run! PHP seems to me to be more syntax heavy than other languages I am learning, so it is time consuming to type and error prone because of all the symbols. I type them out, then attempt to run, then attempt to fix any syntax errors that come up. Then when it still does not run, I wonder if it is even meant to be complete enough to run, or just a snippet to show as an example for the text.