Tip #1: ***Ask*** clarifying questions instead of making assumptions. Before starting on your implementation, be clear on requirements. Describe your high-level approach first before implementing.

Tip #2: ***Verbalize***your thoughts out loud while you’re solving a problem. Our interviewer wants to understand your thought process and how you go about solving a problem. So by thinking out loud, you’ll give them an idea and they’ll be able to give you hints to steer you in the right direction. Clear technical communication is key. Give your interviewer an idea of what they should expect before jumping into the solution. Take notice of suggested hints.

Tip #3: You will be assessed on both ***speed*** as well as ***quality***of the solution. So, don’t take too much time to think through the problem, but take enough time so you can provide a clean and elegant solution. For some questions, the expectation is that someone should be able to work through the problem in “X” minutes, so there could be multiple questions in the hour slot; others may take the entire hour to solve.

Tip #4: If asked about an interesting project, make sure to choose a project that you are actually interested in rather than just picking your most current project. Show ***enthusiasm*** *and* ***details*** about the project by explaining who was your customer, why the project/product was being built, and give detailed information about your contributions and specific responsibilities.

Tip #5: ***Find and fix*** your bugs using edge cases, tests, or other means.