It affects the aspects of quality above, including portability, usability and most importantly maintainability..  
However, readability is more than just programming style.  
 Programmable devices have existed for centuries.  
Programming languages are essential for software development.  
 In the 1880s, Herman Hollerith invented the concept of storing data in machine-readable form.  
Techniques like Code refactoring can enhance readability.  
There exist a lot of different approaches for each of those tasks.  
 Debugging is often done with IDEs. Standalone debuggers like GDB are also used, and these often provide less of a visual environment, usually using a command line.  
 Code-breaking algorithms have also existed for centuries.  
In 1801, the Jacquard loom could produce entirely different weaves by changing the "program" – a series of pasteboard cards with holes punched in them.  
  
 Computer programming or coding is the composition of sequences of instructions, called programs, that computers can follow to perform tasks.  
 Following a consistent programming style often helps readability.  
 Programs were mostly entered using punched cards or paper tape.  
Their jobs usually involve:  
 Although programming has been presented in the media as a somewhat mathematical subject, some research shows that good programmers have strong skills in natural human languages, and that learning to code is similar to learning a foreign language.  
FORTRAN, the first widely used high-level language to have a functional implementation, came out in 1957, and many other languages were soon developed—in particular, COBOL aimed at commercial data processing, and Lisp for computer research.