Different programming languages support different styles of programming (called programming paradigms)..  
 The first step in most formal software development processes is requirements analysis, followed by testing to determine value modeling, implementation, and failure elimination (debugging).  
Some languages are more prone to some kinds of faults because their specification does not require compilers to perform as much checking as other languages.  
In 1206, the Arab engineer Al-Jazari invented a programmable drum machine where a musical mechanical automaton could be made to play different rhythms and drum patterns, via pegs and cams.  
Many applications use a mix of several languages in their construction and use.  
 Implementation techniques include imperative languages (object-oriented or procedural), functional languages, and logic languages.  
The Unified Modeling Language (UML) is a notation used for both the OOAD and MDA.  
 Various visual programming languages have also been developed with the intent to resolve readability concerns by adopting non-traditional approaches to code structure and display.  
 Programmable devices have existed for centuries.  
 Whatever the approach to development may be, the final program must satisfy some fundamental properties.  
 Debugging is a very important task in the software development process since having defects in a program can have significant consequences for its users.  
Proficient programming usually requires expertise in several different subjects, including knowledge of the application domain, details of programming languages and generic code libraries, specialized algorithms, and formal logic.  
A study found that a few simple readability transformations made code shorter and drastically reduced the time to understand it.  
  
Provided the functions in a library follow the appropriate run-time conventions (e.g., method of passing arguments), then these functions may be written in any other language.