Computer programming or coding is the composition of sequences of instructions, called programs, that computers can follow to perform tasks..  
 Allen Downey, in his book How To Think Like A Computer Scientist, writes:  
 Many computer languages provide a mechanism to call functions provided by shared libraries.  
 The academic field and the engineering practice of computer programming are both largely concerned with discovering and implementing the most efficient algorithms for a given class of problems.  
 Following a consistent programming style often helps readability.  
It affects the aspects of quality above, including portability, usability and most importantly maintainability.  
 These compiled languages allow the programmer to write programs in terms that are syntactically richer, and more capable of abstracting the code, making it easy to target varying machine instruction sets via compilation declarations and heuristics.  
 Programmable devices have existed for centuries.  
Integrated development environments (IDEs) aim to integrate all such help.  
A study found that a few simple readability transformations made code shorter and drastically reduced the time to understand it.  
Trade-offs from this ideal involve finding enough programmers who know the language to build a team, the availability of compilers for that language, and the efficiency with which programs written in a given language execute.  
 Code-breaking algorithms have also existed for centuries.  
The choice of language used is subject to many considerations, such as company policy, suitability to task, availability of third-party packages, or individual preference.  
In 1801, the Jacquard loom could produce entirely different weaves by changing the "program" – a series of pasteboard cards with holes punched in them.  
 It is very difficult to determine what are the most popular modern programming languages.  
Unreadable code often leads to bugs, inefficiencies, and duplicated code.