Some languages are very popular for particular kinds of applications, while some languages are regularly used to write many different kinds of applications..  
Some text editors such as Emacs allow GDB to be invoked through them, to provide a visual environment.  
 Debugging is a very important task in the software development process since having defects in a program can have significant consequences for its users.  
 After the bug is reproduced, the input of the program may need to be simplified to make it easier to debug.  
Compilers harnessed the power of computers to make programming easier by allowing programmers to specify calculations by entering a formula using infix notation.  
 Following a consistent programming style often helps readability.  
The Unified Modeling Language (UML) is a notation used for both the OOAD and MDA.  
 A similar technique used for database design is Entity-Relationship Modeling (ER Modeling).  
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.  
  
The first compiler related tool, the A-0 System, was developed in 1952 by Grace Hopper, who also coined the term 'compiler'.  
They are the building blocks for all software, from the simplest applications to the most sophisticated ones.  
 Implementation techniques include imperative languages (object-oriented or procedural), functional languages, and logic languages.  
Programmers typically use high-level programming languages that are more easily intelligible to humans than machine code, which is directly executed by the central processing unit.  
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.  
 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.