Readability is important because programmers spend the majority of their time reading, trying to understand, reusing and modifying existing source code, rather than writing new source code..  
 Different programming languages support different styles of programming (called programming paradigms).  
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.  
While these are sometimes considered programming, often the term software development is used for this larger overall process – with the terms programming, implementation, and coding reserved for the writing and editing of code per se.  
 Computer programmers are those who write computer software.  
Use of a static code analysis tool can help detect some possible problems.  
Many applications use a mix of several languages in their construction and use.  
Trial-and-error/divide-and-conquer is needed: the programmer will try to remove some parts of the original test case and check if the problem still exists.  
 Code-breaking algorithms have also existed for centuries.  
For this purpose, algorithms are classified into orders using so-called Big O notation, which expresses resource use, such as execution time or memory consumption, in terms of the size of an input.  
A study found that a few simple readability transformations made code shorter and drastically reduced the time to understand it.  
 Machine code was the language of early programs, written in the instruction set of the particular machine, often in binary notation.  
 A similar technique used for database design is Entity-Relationship Modeling (ER Modeling).  
 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.