



Rubber Duck Debugging

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Fixing Turtle in VS Code
Intro to IDLE



Problem Overview

Turtle doesn't open a window

Errors like:

- DeprecationWarning: tkinter
- TclError: no display name...
- Nothing happens



Step 1 – How Did You Install Python?

Installing Python via VS Code may not have what we need to use graphics in Python.

Install from:

<https://www.python.org/downloads/mac-osx/>



Step 2 – Select the Interpreter

In VS Code:

Cmd + Shift + P → Python: Select Interpreter

Choose:

`/Library/Frameworks/Python.framework/...`



Step 3 – Test if Tkinter Works

Run this code, feel free to copy/paste:

```
import tkinter  
print("Tkinter is working!")
```

If this prints with no error, you're good!

If you get an error, next slide...





Step 4 – Try Running from Terminal

All is not lost if it is still not working.

Use IDLE (included with Python installer)

Or open Terminal and run:

```
python3 your_file.py
```



Optional: Try Homebrew (Advanced)

If all else fails:

```
brew install python-tk
```

This installs a Homebrew version of Python with
GUI support



You Fixed It!

Show your working turtle window to Ms T &
thank your duck 