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I'm Boris and I created Claude Code. Lots of people have asked how I use Claude Code, so I wanted to show off my setup a bit.

My setup might be surprisingly vanilla! Claude Code works great out of the box, so I personally don't customize it much. There is no one correct way to use Claude Code: we intentionally build it in a way that you can use it, customize it, and hack it however you like. Each person on the Claude Code team uses it very differently.

So, here goes.

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1/ I run 5 Claudes in parallel in my terminal. I number my tabs 1-5, and use system notifications to know when a Claude needs input [code.claude.com/docs...](https://code.claude.com/docs/)

```

  L Added 1 line, removed 1 line
  12 import type { z } from 'zod/v4'
  13 import type { InputSchema } from './SkillTool.js'
  14 import type { Command } from '../..//commands.js'
  15 import type { ProgressMessage, Message } from './..//types/message.js'
  16 import type { Tool } from '../..//Tool.js'
  17
  18 type Input = z.infer<typeof inputSchema>

● Now let me run typecheck to verify the changes:
● Bash(bun run typecheck >zcl | head -100)
  L bun run build:agent-sdk-typings && tsc
  L ./scripts/build-ant-sdk-typings.sh
  Generating Agent SDK typings...
  Generating Agent tool typings...

● The typecheck passed. Now let me run the linter on the modified files:
● Bash(bun run lint:file -- src/tools/SkillTool/SkillTool.ts
  src/tools/SkillTool/UI.tsx src/Tools >zcl)
  L $ eslint --fix --no-error-on-unmatched-pattern --cache
  (5s)
  ctrl-B to run in background

* Running typecheck and tests to verify changes... (esc to interrupt · 2m 22s)

> [redacted]
  ▶▶ accept edits on (shift+tab to cycle)

```

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2/ I also run 5-10 Claudes on claude.ai/code, in parallel with my local Claudes. As I code in my terminal, I will often hand off local sessions to web (using &), or manually kick off sessions in Chrome, and sometimes I will --teleport back and forth. I also start a few sessions from my phone (from the Claude iOS app) every morning and throughout the day, and check in on them later.

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3/ I use Opus 4.5 with thinking for everything. It's the best coding model I've ever used, and even though it's bigger & slower than Sonnet, since you have to steer it



less and it's better at tool use, it is almost always faster than using a smaller model in the end.

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4/ Our team shares a single [CLAUDE.md](#) for the Claude Code repo. We check it into git, and the whole team contributes multiple times a week. Anytime we see Claude do something incorrectly we add it to the [CLAUDE.md](#), so Claude knows not to do it next time.

Other teams maintain their own [CLAUDE.md](#)'s. It is each team's job to keep theirs up to date.

```
claude-cli $ cat CLAUDE.md
# Development Workflow

**Always use `bun`, not `npm`.*

```sh
1. Make changes

2. Typecheck (fast)
bun run typecheck

3. Run tests
bun run test -- -t "test name" # Single suite
bun run test:file -- "glob" # Specific files

4. Lint before committing
bun run lint:file -- "file1.ts" # Specific files
bun run lint # All files

5. Before creating PR
bun run lint:claude && bun run test
```

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5/ During code review, I will often tag @claude on my coworkers' PRs to add something to the [CLAUDE.md](#) as part of the PR. We use the Claude Code Github action ([/install-github-action](#)) for this. It's our version of [@danshipper](#)'s Compounding Engineering

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nit: use a string literal, not ts enum

@claude add to CLAUDE.md to never use enums, always prefer literal unions

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- Read current CLAUDE.md to understand existing guidance
- Update CLAUDE.md to strengthen "no enums" guidance
- Commit the change

Updated CLAUDE.md line 36 from:

- Prefer `type` over `interface`; avoid `enum` (use string unions)



to:

- Prefer `type` over `interface`; \*\*never use `enum`\*\* (use string literal unions instead)

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6/ Most sessions start in Plan mode (shift+tab twice). If my goal is to write a Pull Request, I will use Plan mode, and go back and forth with Claude until I like its plan. From there, I switch into auto-accept edits mode and Claude can usually 1-shot it. A good plan is really important!





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> i want to improve progress notification rendering for skills. can you make it look more like subagent progress? [ ...  
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 7/ I use slash commands for every inner loop workflow that I do many times a day. This saves me from repeated prompting, and makes it so Claude can use these workflows, too. Commands are checked into git and live in .claude/commands/.

8/ Claude and I use a /commit-push-pr slash command every day. The command uses inline bash to pre-compute git status to make the command run quickly and avoid back-and-forth with the model ([code.claude.com/docs...](https://code.claude.com/docs...))

> /commit-push-pr [

/commit-push-pr Commit, push, and open a PR

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 8/ I use a few subagents regularly: code-simplifier simplifies the code after Claude is done working, verify-app has detailed instructions for testing Claude Code end to end, and so on. Similar to slash commands, I think of subagents as automating the most common workflows that I do for most PRs.

[code.claude.com/docs...](https://code.claude.com/docs...)

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### ✓ agents

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- ⬇ code-simplifier.md
- ⬇ oncall-guide.md
- ⬇ verify-app.md

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 9/ We use a PostToolUse hook to format Claude's code. Claude usually generates well-formatted code out of the box, and the hook handles the last 10% to avoid formatting errors in CI later.

```
"PostToolUse": [
 {
 "matcher": "Write|Edit",
 "hooks": [
 {
 "type": "command",
 "command": "bun run format || true"
 }
]
 }
]
```

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 10/ I don't use --dangerously-skip-permissions. Instead, I use /permissions to pre-allow common bash commands that I know are safe in my environment, to avoid unnecessary permission prompts. Most of these are checked into .claude/settings.json and shared with the team.





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## &gt; /permissions

Permissions: Allow Ask Deny Workspace (↔)

Claude Code won't ask before using allowed tools.

» Search...

- ↑ 12. Bash(bq query:\*)
- 13. Bash(bun run build:\*)
- 14. Bash(bun run lint:file:\*)
- 15. Bash(bun run test:\*)
- 16. Bash(bun run test:file:\*)
- 17. Bash(bun run typecheck:\*)
- 18. Bash(bun test:\*)
- 19. Bash(cc:\*)
- 20. Bash(comm:\*)
- 21. Bash(find:\*)



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11/ Claude Code uses all my tools for me. It often searches and posts to Slack (via the MCP server), runs BigQuery queries to answer analytics questions (using bq CLI), grabs error logs from Sentry, etc. The Slack MCP configuration is checked into our .mcp.json and shared with the team.

claude-cli-2 \$ cat .mcp.json

```
{
 "mcpServers": {
 "slack": {
 "type": "http",
 "url": "https://slack.mcp.anthropic.com/mcp"
 }
 }
}
```

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12/ For very long-running tasks, I will either prompt Claude to verify its work with a background agent when it's done, use an agent Stop hook to do that more deterministically, or use the ralph-wiggum plugin. I will also use either --permission-mode=dontAsk or --dangerously-skip-permissions in a sandbox to avoid permission prompts for the session, so Claude isn't blocked on me.

[github.com/anthr...](https://github.com/anthr...)

\* Reticulating... (1d 2h 47m · ↓ 2.4m tokens · thinking)

&gt; [redacted]

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13/ A final tip: probably the most important thing to get great results out of Claude Code -- give Claude a way to verify its work. If Claude has that feedback loop, it will 2-3x the quality of the final result.



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I hope this was helpful! What are your tips for using Claude Code? What do you want to hear about next?

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"My setup might be surprisingly vanilla" and then proceeds to describe extremely complicated setup with five copies in parallel, plus more in the cloud, plus having CC read and post to Slack! But good to hear these details!

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Wow very surprised at how similar our setups are; that's super validating!

One thing I also do is start with a session to just flesh out a spec and ask me any open questions/tradeoffs, then have it implement that spec in plan mode.

How long is your [claude.md](#) and have you broken it out into skills much? That's something we're considering. Also looking at beads.

PS, for everyone else: my company is exclusively hiring engineers who have a solid CC workflow like this; hmu if that's interesting!

### ✳️ Claude Code Docs

Getting started

## Claude Code overview

Learn about Claude Code, Anthropic's agentic coding tool that lives in your terminal and helps yo...

[code.claude.com](https://code.claude.com)

Claude Code overview - Claude Code Docs

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If you need help hiring, I maintain a list of independent contractors available on a contract-to-hire basis. Currently vetting people for AI Driven Development experience using tools like Claude Code, Cursor, and the aidd framework.

npx aidd --help

[github.com/parallel...](https://github.com/paralleldrive/aidd)

### paralleldrive/aidd

The standard framework for AI Driven Development



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[github.com](https://github.com/paralleldrive/aidd)

GitHub - paralleldrive/aidd: The standard framework for AI Driven Development

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Thanks [@boris\\_cherny](#). I'm writing with Claude right now. It's a very useful tool. It seems like the quality of the input determines the quality of the output. In other words, depending on the operator we'll get different outputs.

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Do you stay within the limits of a Max Plan?



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Great guide, thank you! 🙏 quite confirms what I expected, simplicity wins. I went from 1 to 7 CCs over xmas working on several projects, but yet have to improve my workflow to have them work on the same repo in parallel.



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What is actual ROI on your setup?



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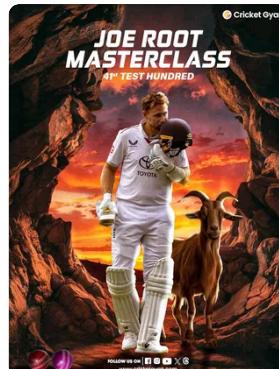
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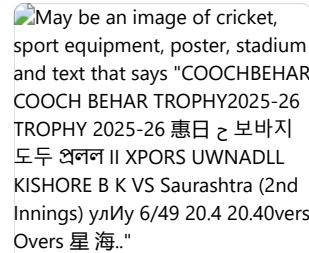


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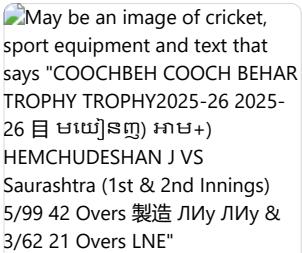
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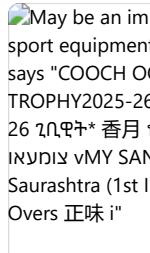
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