

Stuck? You can do it!

Directions: Try each step, in order, to debug your code.

1. **Reread the directions** on the current page of your tutorial
2. **Reread the directions** on previous pages
3. **Make sure** each line of code is on a new line
4. **Read your code line by line** to check your syntax. Are you missing something?
 - Does every **open parenthesis** have a **matching closing parenthesis**?
 - i. For example, `text("hello!")` ; would not work because it only has an open parenthesis, and needs a matching closing one.
 - ii. This is true for curly brackets { } square brackets [] and quotations "" as well.
 - Are you missing any **periods or semicolons**?
 - Is **text inside quotation marks**? Any colors, like "red", or messages that you want your text to display, like `"hello everyone!"`, should be inside quotation marks.
 - i. For example `text("hello everyone!");` or
 - ii. `tint("green", 50);`
5. **Find out what code is working and what isn't** by isolating your code through commenting
 - Comments are lines of text that the computer doesn't read
 - i. `/* comment out a section of code */`
 - ii. `// comment out a line of code`
6. **Ask your partner**
 - Partner reads code for errors
 - Partner points out errors
7. **Ask a neighbor**
 - Team member reads code for errors
 - Team member gives hints, but doesn't tell!
8. **Ask your teacher**
 - Teacher reads code for errors
 - Teacher gives hints, but doesn't tell!
9. **Copy your code, refresh the page, and paste** it in the editor
10. **Save your code and start over.** You've got this. :)