Welcome to CS 126!

Spring 2021
Code Review

- A 2 hour mandatory discussion section, where you and a few other students will present your assignments
- Each section will have a code moderator who will give you feedback and grade your work
- Your moderator is both your mentor and your grader
- You will be expected to give your peers feedback on their work
Feedback

- Should receive verbal and written feedback on your assignments
- Should receive your grade for the current week’s assignment no later than the Sunday after it’s due
- Pay attention to what your moderator has to say!
  - Go over the feedback your moderator left you during code review and on your assignment
  - Make sure to listen to what your moderator has to say about other students’ assignments as well
  - Following the feedback of your moderator is critical to maximizing your score
Grading Philosophy

- Grades are a signal to draw attention to things that should be improved upon / focused on more for the next assignment.
- Point deductions are always indicative of opportunities to improve
- Implement your code mod's feedback in the next week's assignment
  - Make sure you really understand all of the feedback
  - Ask questions if you don’t! (code mods should be reachable by email)
Expectations

- While getting code to work is important, it is not the only criteria.
- Your source code is more than instructions; it is intended for human use.
- We care about:
  - Design
  - Readability
  - Extensibility
  - etc
- We care about your code itself rather than just the output it produces.
- Carefully read over the rubric for each assignment before starting it.
  - Get clarification on things that you don’t understand.
Rubric Sections

- Readability and flexibility
- Object decomposition
- Documentation
- Naming
- Layout
- Automated testing
- Process
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- Short readings and follow-up questions that serve as “warm-ups” or preparation for the coding assignment
- First one will be released today (Monday) and due this Thursday!
Things to do now if you haven’t already

- Sign up for Campuswire
- Fill out the Doodle Poll when it goes out
  - Make sure to follow the instructions *exactly*
- Github
- IntelliJ