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| B. Declarations | | |
|  | 1. Constants should be named and initialized at the top of the method or class |  |
|  | 2. All variables should be declared directly after the constants (white space sep ok) |  |
|  | 3. There must be a line of white space directly after the variable declarations. |  |
|  | 4. It is NOT permissible to initialize a variable as you are declaring it. |  |
|  | 5. Each declaration should be on its own line. Comment to the right if not clear |  |
| C. Indentation | | |
|  | 1. Subsections of code should be indented a consistent 3 spaces |  |
|  | 2. Statements that are too long should be indented 3 spaces for 2nd + lines |  |
|  | 3. Blocks of code should be surrounded by curly braces lined up directly under the first character of the header |  |
| D. Literals and constants | | |
|  | 1. Numeric literals must be of the correct type for the context in which they are used. |  |
|  | 2. Constants should be used for meaningful values. |  |
| E. Operators | | |
|  | 1. Binary operators should be separated from their operands by a single space |  |
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| F. Structure | | |
|  | 1. Constants in a method or class should come first |  |
|  | 2. One line of white space should follow the declaration of variables. |  |
|  | 3. Use white space to separate segments of code. |  |
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|  | 5. Methods should be no longer than 25 lines in length. |  |
|  | 6. If a method returns a value it should have a single return statement. (one entry one exit) |  |
|  | 7. Break statements are not permitted except for their use in a switch. |  |
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| G. Class structure | |  |
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