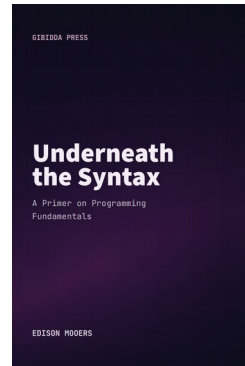


Underneath the Syntax

The fundamentals-first guide for reading, questioning, and trusting code.

AI can write code faster than many students can read it. Underneath the Syntax teaches what a program is actually doing beneath any language's syntax, so students can evaluate code instead of only producing it.

Language-neutral by design, it works as a flexible supplement rather than a replacement textbook and can be used before, alongside, or after a language-specific course.



Why it works

- **Plain English:** no assumed background and no jargon left unexplained.
- **Language-neutral:** readable pseudocode that transfers to Python, Java, JavaScript, C#, and beyond.
- **Free browser companion:** guided QF Code practice with no installation or account required.
- **Flexible scope:** Core, Recommended, and Extension tiers let instructors choose the depth that fits.

Where it fits

- High school and CTE: introductory computer science, clubs, pathways, and bridge programs.
- Community college: pre-course bridge, CS0/CS1 support, and tutoring-center use.
- Four-year college: first-year seminars, IT, cybersecurity, data, and non-major courses.
- Workforce and QA: code literacy for learners who need to reason about software behavior.

Educator materials

- Public Instructor Guide with outcomes, pacing options, discussion questions, and classroom activities.
- Public printable worksheet set with classroom reproduction permission.
- Free sample from the published edition and the complete browser companion.
- Request-only Quiz and Exercise Bank with separate instructor answer key.
- Complimentary digital evaluation copy for educators and program leaders considering adoption.

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