Fun with Pair Programming!

Hi! This worksheet is designed to be a companion to the “Fun with Pair Programming: An introduction to Pair Programming for Students” video. Follow along as we discuss what to do and what not to do in your Pair Programming lab!

Do!

1. Talk
   Not a minute should go by when you’re not communicating somehow.

2. Listen
   Each partner should be fully involved in the project.

3. Rotate Roles
   Change places to gain new perspectives and share the work.

4. Be Patient
   It’s a virtue! By explaining yourself, you help yourself learn.

5. Respect
   Everyone has something to offer.

6. Take Breaks
   When you return, you may notice something you missed before.

7. Prepare
   Do any preliminary work ahead of time.

8. Clean
   How would you feel if the person you were going to spend hours with smelled?

9. Have Fun
   Working with someone else can be a lot more fun.

Don’t!

1. Be Bossy
   You don’t want to be the only person in class no one wants to work with!

2. Be Intimidated
   You know way more than you give yourself credit for.

3. Be Quiet
   Don’t be afraid to speak up if you don’t agree with your partner.

4. Suffer in Silence
   If you have a problem with your programming situation, let your professor or TA know.

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