
Subject: Re: Error Handling Advice

Posted by [John Correira](#) on Mon, 14 Jan 2013 14:51:45 GMT

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On 01/11/2013 05:51 PM, David Fanning wrote:

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> 7. My practice is to make positional parameters required arguments, and
> keywords parameters optional arguments. I sometimes make a positional
> parameter an optional argument, if there is a compelling reason to do
> so, but I NEVER make a keyword parameter a required argument. Seeing the
> latter in other people's code makes me crazy.

Is there a technical reason behind not making a keyword a required argument, or just a personal preference based on experience? I find it harder to interpret a long series of positional parameters as opposed to a list of somewhat descriptive keywords.

Regards,

John
