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Error Identification



“Oops, did I make a typo? A little hint would be nice so I can fix it right up!”

Who this helps: Various, including Cognitive Impairments, Visual Impairments

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Error Identification

Automatically detected input errors are identified and described to the user in text.

Principle 3: Understandable

Guideline 3.3: Input Assistance

What each role can do

Product manager

Implement clear error identification mechanisms for all forms and inputs.

Designer

Design error messages that are specific about what the error is and where it occurred.

Developer

Code forms to automatically detect and describe errors in text near the input field.

Tester

Test to ensure that error messages are clear, descriptive, and accessible.

Once it is fixed



> “Thanks for the heads-up on my mistakes. Correcting them was a breeze with your clear directions!”

WCAG Quotes

Every WCAG 2.2 success criterion, told by the person it helps.

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