# Chapter 3.6, 10, 13 Reading Discussion

## **Functional languages**

- Work in small groups
- Don't look at the text or your notes
- List as many functional languages as you can recall
- For each language list some features that that language is known for.

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  - First class functions
  - Higher order functions
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  - Types and polymorphism
  - Algebraic datatypes (lists, trees)
  - Garbage collection
  - Pure features (no side effects)
  - recursion

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  - Dynamic typing and predicates (like: char? = ischar, number? = isint, pair? = ispair)
  - Lists as pairs
  - prefix notation and parentheses
- What features found in Scheme are not in E3?
  - First class functions
  - Programs as lists (self representing)

### Normal order evaluation

• What is normal order evaluation?

• What are other choices?

• How do they compare with normal order evaluation?

# Currying

• What is currying?