Inspecting, Development, and Testing Tools
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What am I talking about?

Tools and methods you can use for testing and debugging your code followed by interactive examples.
1. **WP_DEBUG**

   ```
   define( WP_DEBUG, true)
   ```

2. **SCRIPT_DEBUG**

   ```
   define(SCRIPT_DEBUG, true)
   ```

3. **SAVEQUERIES**

   ```
   define(SAVEQUERIES, true)
   ```

4. **The ALL Action Hook**

   ```
   add_action( 'all', create_function( '', 'var_dump( current_filter() );' )
   ```
Plugins

- Debug Bar
- Debug Bar Console
- Debug Cron
- Core Control
Xdebug

- Backtraces function calls and variables
- Profiling
- Formatting error messages
- xdebug_vardump
PHP_CodeSniffer

- Detects violations of a defined coding standard
- Essential development tool for teams
- Prevents and detects common semantic errors
- WordPress specific sniffs and ruleset

https://github.com/x-team/WordPress-Coding-Standards
Using an IDE

- Built in function definitions and code completion
- Real time debugging while you write code
- Real time code sniffing with PHPCS
- Built in version control
- Remote debugging with Xdebug

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Start of a Conversation

- KCacheGrind (Visualization / Profiling)
- Unit Testing
- JSHint / JSLint
- Load Testing

What are some of your favorite tools?

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