



Ruby

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Ruby Overview

Ruby is a general purpose, dynamically typed and reflective, object oriented programming language that was created in the 1990s by Yukihiro Matsumoto.

The original intent when creating ruby was to create a true Object Oriented scripting language. Which at the time, in Matsumoto’s optinion, didn’t exist. Ruby was designed to be simple at it’s core, but with an object system that was fully integreated into the language, and not tacked on as a glorified addon.

At the core of ruby is the desire for programmer productivity and fun. Ruby’s core focus is on the programmer not the machine. Therefore ruby attempts to remove as much confusion as possible from the programming process by utilizing a simple, readable syntax and deeply integrated object orientation.

How Ruby Runs

Generally all ruby code is run using an interpreter, although with some implementations of ruby it is possible to compile the code and run it on a virtual machine.

The most popular ruby interpreter is called MRI which stands for Matz’s Ruby Interpreter. Unfortunately there is no official Ruby Language Reference, so generally the Matz interpreter is seen as the language standard.

Ruby utilizes a garbage collector and it’s syntax is very minimal and simple.

One reason Ruby has become so popular is due to the Ruby on Rails web application framework. Rails is extremely easy to use which is why it’s the framework of choice for tons of large companies like Github, Twitch and Hulu.

Choosing an IDE

Many developers choose to write Ruby using a basic text editor, but there are also more specilized integrated development enviornments, some of the most popular include RubyMine, Aptana RadRails and Vim.

Code

Printing

```
puts "Hello"
print "World"
puts "!"
```

Variables and Data Types

```
=begin
  Names are case-sensitive and may begin with:
    letters, _
  After, may include
    letters, numbers, _
  Convention says
    Start with a lowercase word, then additional words are lowercase separated
    by an underscore
    ex. my_first_variable
=end

name = "Mike"      # Strings
age  = 30          # Integer
gpa  = 3.5         # Decimal
is_tall = true     # Boolean -> True/False

name = "John"

puts "Your name is #{name}"
puts "Your name is " + name
```

Casting and Converting

```
puts 3.14.to_i
puts 3.to_f
puts "3.0".to_s

puts 100 + "50".to_i
puts 100 + "50.99".to_f
```

Strings

```
greeting = "Hello"
#indexes: 01234

puts greeting.length
puts greeting[0]
puts greeting.include? "llo"
puts greeting.include? "z"
puts greeting[1,3]
```

Numbers

```
puts 2 * 3          # Basic Arithmetic: +, -, /, *
puts 2**3           # Exponent
puts 10 % 3         # Modulus Op. : returns remainder of 10/3
puts 1 + 2 * 3      # order of operations
puts 10 / 3.0       # int's and doubles

num = 10
num += 100          # +=, -=, /=, *=
puts num

num = -36.8
puts num.abs()
puts num.round()

# Math class has useful math methods
puts Math.sqrt(144)
puts Math.log(0)
```

User Input

```
puts "Enter your name: "
name = gets          #.chomp
puts "Hello #{name}, how are you"

puts "Enter first num: "
num1 = gets.chomp
puts "enter second num: "
num2 = gets.chomp
puts num1.to_f + num2.to_f
```

Arrays

```
lucky_numbers = [4, 8, "fifteen", 16, 23, 42.0]
#           indexes 0 1           2       3   4   5

lucky_numbers[0] = 90
puts lucky_numbers[0]
puts lucky_numbers[1]
puts lucky_numbers[-1]

puts "\n\n"
puts lucky_numbers[2,3]
puts "\n\n"
puts lucky_numbers[2..4]
puts "\n\n"

puts lucky_numbers.length
```

2 Dimensional Arrays

```
number_grid = [[],[]]
# numberGrid = [ [1, 2], [3, 4] ]
number_grid[0][0] = 99

puts number_grid[0][0]
puts number_grid[0][1]
```

Array Methods

```
friends = []
friends.push("Oscar")
friends.push("Angela")
friends.push("Kevin")

# friends.pop
puts friends
puts "\n"

puts friends.reverse
puts "\n"

puts friends.sort
puts "\n"

puts friends.include? "Oscar"
```

Methods

```
def add_numbers(num1, num2=99) return num1 + num2
end

sum = add_numbers(4, 3)
puts sum
```

If Statements

```
is_student = false
is_smart = false

if is_student and is_smart
  puts "You are a student"
elsif is_student and !is_smart
  puts "You are not a smart student"
else
  puts "You are not a student and not smart"
end

# >, <, >=, <=, !=, ==, String.equals()
if 1 > 3
  puts "number comparison was true"
end

if "a" > "b"
  puts "string comparison was true"
end
```

Switch Statements

```
my_grade = "A"
case my_grade
  when "A"
    puts "You Pass"
  when "F"
    puts "You fail"
  else
    puts "Invalid grade"
end
```

Dictionaries

```
test_grades = {
  "Andy" => "B+",
  :Stanley => "C",
  "Ryan" => "A",
  3 => 95.2
}

test_grades["Andy"] = "B-"
puts test_grades["Andy"]
puts test_grades[:Stanley]
puts test_grades[3]
```

While Loops

```
index = 1
while index <= 5
  puts index
  index += 1
end
```

For Loops

```
for index in 0..5
  puts index
end

5.times do |index|
  puts index
end

lucky_nums = [4, 8, 15, 16, 23, 42]
for lucky_num in lucky_nums
  puts lucky_num
end

lucky_nums.each do |lucky_num|
  puts lucky_num
end
```

Exception Catching

```
begin
  # puts bad_variable
  num = 10/0
rescue ZeroDivisionError
  puts "Error"
rescue
  puts "All other errors"
end

raise "Made Up Exception"
```

Classes and Objects

```
class Book
  attr_accessor :title, :author

  def readBook()
```

```

        puts "Reading #{self.title} by #{self.author}"
    end
end

book1 = Book.new()
book1.title = "Harry Potter"
book1.author = "JK Rowling"

book1.readBook()
puts book1.title

```

Constructors

```

class Book
  attr_accessor :title, :author
  def initialize(title, author)
    @title = title
    @author = author
  end

  def readBook()
    puts "Reading #{self.title} by #{@author}"
  end
end

book1 = Book.new("Harry Potter", "JK Rowling")
# book1.title = "Half-Blood Prince"

puts book1.title

```

Getters and Setters

```

class Book
  attr_accessor :title, :author
  def initialize(title, author)
    self.title = title
    @author = author
  end

  def title=(title)
    puts "Set"
    @title = title
  end
  def title
    puts "Get"
    return @title
  end
end

book1 = Book.new("Harry Potter", "JK Rowling")

puts book1.title

```

Inheritance

```

class Chef
  attr_accessor :name, :age
  def initialize(name, age)
    @name = name
    @age = age
  end

  def make_chicken()
    puts "The chef makes chicken"
  end

  def make_salad()
    puts "The chef makes salad"
  end

  def make_special_dish()
    puts "The chef makes a special dish"
  end
end

class ItalianChef < Chef

  attr_accessor :country_of_origin
  def initialize(name, age, country_of_origin)
    @country_of_origin = country_of_origin
  end
end

```

```
    super(name, age)
  end

  def make_pasta()
    puts "The chef makes pasta"
  end

  def make_special_dish()
    puts "The chef makes chicken parm"
  end
end

my_chef = Chef.new()
my_chef.make_chicken()

my_italian_chef = ItalianChef.new()
my_italian_chef.make_chicken()
```