

rSpec Quick Reference

Core API

Arbitrary Block

```
object.should_satisfy {|arg| ...}  
object.should_not_satisfy {|arg| ...}
```

Equality

```
object.should_equal <value>  
object.should_not_equal <value>  
object.should == <value>
```

Floating Point Comparison

```
object.should_be_close <val>, <delta>  
object.should_not_be_close <val>, <delta>
```

Identity

```
object.should_be <value>  
object.should_not_be <value>
```

Arbitrary Predicate

```
object.should_predicate [args]  
object.should_be_predicate [args]  
object.should_not_predicate [args]  
object.should_not_be_predicate [args]  
object.should_be > <value>  
object.should_be < <value>
```

Pattern Matching

```
object.should_match <regex>  
object.should_not_match <regex>  
object.should =~ <regex>
```

Ancestor Class

```
object.should_be_an_instance_of <class>  
object.should_not_be_an_instance_of <class>  
object.should_be_a_kind_of <class>  
object.should_not_be_a_kind_of <class>
```

Type

```
object.should_respond_to <symbol>  
object.should_not_respond_to <symbol>
```

Raising

```
proc.should_raise <exception>  
proc.should_not_raise <exception>  
proc.should_raise  
proc.should_not_raise
```

Throwing

```
proc.should_throw <symbol>  
proc.should_not_throw <symbol>  
proc.should_not_throw
```

Containment

```
object.should_include <object>  
object.should_not_include <object>
```

Collection Size

```
object.should_have(<n>).things  
object.should_have_at_least(<n>).things  
object.should_have_at_most(<n>).things
```

Mock API

Creating a mock

```
mock = mock(<name>)  
mock = mock(<name>, <options>)  
  
mock = mock("blah", :null_object => true)
```

Expecting Messages

```
mock.should_receive(:<message>)  
mock.should_not_receive(:<message>)
```

Arbitrary Message Handling

```
mock.should_receive(:msg) do | a1 a2 ... |  
  ...  
end
```

Expecting Arguments

```
.with(<args>)  
.with(:no_args)  
.with(:any_args)
```

Argument Constraints

```
:anything, :numeric, :boolean, :string,  
duck_type(message(s))  
  accepts anything that responds to all the message(s),  
  e.g.:  
  #accepts a Fixnum for the second arg  
  .with(a, duck_type(:abs, :div))
```

Receive Counts

```
.any_number_of_times  
.once  
.twice  
.exactly(n).times  
.at_least(:once)  
.at_least(:twice)  
.at_least(n).times
```

Return Values

```
.and_return(v)  
.and_return(v1, v2, ..., vn)  
  implies consecutive returns & .at_least(n).times  
.and_return {...}
```

Raising and Throwing

```
.and_raise(<exception>)  
.and_throw(<symbol>)
```

Ordering

```
mock.should_receive(:flip).once.ordered  
mock.should_receive(:flop).once.ordered
```

Command Line Interface

Basic Usage

```
spec file
    runs all specs in the given file

spec directory
    runs all specs in all ruby files in the given directory

spec file/dir-1 file/dir-2 ... file/dir-n
```

Running Specific Specifications

```
-s CONTEXT_AND_OR_SPEC_NAME
--spec CONTEXT_AND_OR_SPEC_NAME
```

General Options

```
-v, --version
-h, --help
-d, --dry-run
-r file, --require file
```

Output Formatting

```
$spec -s "An empty stack" examples/stack_spec.rb
...

Finished in 0.001903 seconds

1 context, 3 specifications, 0 failures
```

```
-f s
-f specdoc
--format s
--format specdoc
```

```
$spec -f s -s "An empty stack"
examples/stack_spec.rb
```

```
An empty stack
- should accept an item when sent push
- should complain when sent top
- should complain when sent pop
```

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1 context, 3 specifications, 0 failures

```
-f r
-f rdoc
--format r
--format rdoc
```

```
spec -f r -s "An empty stack"
examples/stack_spec.rb
# An empty stack
# * should accept an item when sent push
# * should complain when sent top
# * should complain when sent pop
```

```
-f <custom formatter class>
--format <custom formatter class>
```

```
-c, --color, --colour
```

Colour the final status line green or red

When There Are Failures

```
$spec failing_examples/mocking_spec.rb

.F

1)
MockExpectationError in 'Mocker should fail when expected message not received'
Mock 'poke me' expected 'poke' once, but received it 0 times
./failing_examples/mocking_spec.rb:13:in ``

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2 specifications, 1 failures

spec -f s failing_examples/mocking_spec.rb

Mocker
- should be able to call mock()
- should fail when expected message not received (FAILED - 1)

1)
MockExpectationError in 'Mocker should fail when expected message not received'
Mock 'poke me' expected 'poke' once, but received it 0 times
./failing_examples/mocking_spec.rb:13:in ``
Finished in 0.004135 seconds

2 specifications, 1 failures
```