## **Basic-Ruby-Style-Guide**

# Semi colons;

Avoid them unless writing multiple statements per line

## Example:

```
# Good
1
2
       def needs_cursor?; true; end
3
       # Bad
4
5
       name = gets.chomp;
       puts("hi #{name}");
6
7
       # Even worse - uses inconsistently
9
       name = gets.chomp
10
       puts("hi #{name}");
```

## **Variables**

## **Names**

Must be in the snake\_case format.

## Example:

```
1  #Good
2  name = "paul"
3  first_name = "paul"
4  
5  #Bad
6  Name = "paul"
7  FamilyName = "Sarda"
8  Family_Name = "Sarda"
```

### **Operators**

Must have a space on both sides of the operator always.

## Example:

```
1
       # Good
2
       paul_is_cool = true
4
       # Bad
5
       paul_is_not_cool =false
6
       paul_is_not_cool=false
7
       paul_is_not_cool= false
8
       # Good
9
       ten = 5 + 5
10
11
       # Bad
12
13
       ten = 5 + 5
```

## **functions**

#### Names

Function names should use snake\_case.

```
1
       # Good
2
       def return_paul()
3
            return "paul"
4
       end
5
6
       # Bad - PascalCase
       def returnPaul()
8
            return "paul"
9
       end
11
12
       # Also Bad - camelCase
13
       def ReturnPaul()
14
            return "paul"
15
       end
```

## Parentheses (round brackets)

#### Calls

Use parentheses whenever there is more one or more arguments. Or always use it.

#### Examples:

```
1
       # Good
2
       puts("Hi my name is paul") # needed
3
       name = gets().chomp() # not needed no arguments
4
       puts("Hi my name is paul")
5
       name = gets.chomp()
6
8
       # Bad
       # inconsistent
9
       name = gets.chomp()
       last_name = gets.chomp
11
12
       # Missing parentheses
13
14
       puts "Hi my name is paul"
```

No spaces between ( and the first argument. No spaces between ) and the last argument.

#### Examples:

```
1  # Good
2  puts("paul is so cool")
3
4  # Bad
5  puts( "paul is not cool" )
```

### **Definitions**

Add parentheses if there is one or more arguments.

```
def sum(a, b) # needed
return (a + b)
end
```

```
5  def return_paul # no brackets needed
6    return "paul"
7  end
```

#### Return

The return keyword must always be used if a function returns a value.

Example:

```
1
       # Good
2
        def return_paul()
3
            return "Paul"
4
       end
5
6
       # Good becuase the function doesn't need to return anything
       def print_paul()
7
            puts("Paul")
8
9
       end
10
11
       # Bad
12
       # missing return
13
       def return_paul
            "paul"
14
15
       end
```

## If

Don't use Parentheses or use them not both

(use is preferred) Example:

```
1  # Good
2  if name === "paul"
3     puts("Woah you are so cool")
4  end
5
6  if course == "BA-CS"
7  puts("Good choice")
8  end
9
```

```
10
       # Good
       if (name === "paul")
11
            puts("Woah you are so cool")
12
13
       end
14
       if (course == "BA-CS")
            puts("Good choice")
16
17
       end
18
19
       #Bad becuase inconsistent
20
       if (name === "paul")
21
            puts("Woah you are so cool")
       end
23
       if course == "BA-CS"
24
            puts("Good choice")
25
26
       end
```

Always have a space between if and the condition.

#### Example:

```
1
       # Good
2
       if (name === "paul")
3
           puts("Woah you are so cool")
4
       end
5
       # Bad
6
       if(name === "paul")
7
8
           puts("Woah you are so cool")
9
       end
```

### Case

Each when should be the same level of indentation as case

```
1  # Good
2  case name
3  when "paul"
4  puts("Old name");
```

```
when "andrew"
6
            puts("Okay name");
7
        when "john"
            puts("Great name");
8
9
        else
            puts("bad name");
11
        end
12
13
        # Bad
14
        case name
15
            when "paul"
16
                puts("Old name");
            when "andrew"
17
                puts("Okay name");
18
            when "john"
19
                puts("Great name");
20
21
            else
22
                puts("bad name");
23
        end
24
25
        case name
            when "paul"
26
27
            puts("Old name");
28
            when "andrew"
            puts("Okay name");
29
30
            when "john"
            puts("Great name");
31
32
            else
33
            puts("bad name");
34
        end
```

## Loops

#### While

Same condition rules as if.

```
1  while (i <= 50) do
2  puts("value of i is #{i}");</pre>
```

```
3 i += 1;
4 end
```

#### For

Example:

```
for i in 1..50 do
    puts("value of i is #{i}");
    end
```

Array Example:

```
1     dice_rolls = [1, 3, 3, 1];
2
3     for roll in dice_rolls do
4         puts("#{roll}");
5     end
```

## Indentation

Everything between the end and what the end is ending must be indented

```
1
        # Good
        def its_paul()
2
3
            puts("REALLY?")
4
        end
5
        def main()
6
            name = "paul"
8
            if name === "paul"
9
10
                its_paul()
            end
11
12
        end
13
        # BAD
14
15
                def its_paul
```

```
puts("REALLY?")
        end
17
18
19
            def main
        name = "paul"
21
                                  "paul"
        if name ===
                              its_paul
23
24
                     end
25
        end
26
27
        # Also BAD
28
        def its_paul
29
        puts("REALLY?")
30
        end
31
32
        def main
33
        name = "paul"
34
35
        if name === "paul"
36
37
        its_paul
38
        end
        end
39
40
        # Also BAD
41
42
43
        def its_paul
44
                 puts("REALLY?")
45
        end
46
        def main
47
            name = "paul"
48
49
            if name === "paul"
50
51
                     its_paul
52
            end
53
        end
```

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## **Structures / Records / Classes**

#### Name

Must be in PascalCase meaning that every word should be capitalised and no spaces.

Members must be in snake\_case

## Example:

```
class Person
attr_accessor :name, :birth_year
end
class EvilTeacher
attr_accessor :subject, :year_started
end
attr_accessor :subject, :year_started
```

## Array

All normal naming rules apply

```
1    numbers = [];
2
3    numbers << 10;
4
5    puts(numbers[0]);</pre>
```