SpaceAdventure

Lesson 10

Description

Add additional Planet objects to the PlanetarySystem planets array.

Welcome to the Solar System!

There are 8 planets to explore.

What is your name?

Jane

Nice to meet you, Jane. My name is Eliza, I'm an old friend of Siri.

Let's go on an adventure!

Shall I randomly choose a planet for you to visit? (Y or N)

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Ok! Traveling to...

Learning Outcomes

- Practice object instantiation, passing arguments, and adding objects to an array.
- Point out repetitive code, and criticize how it may be improved.

Vocabulary

| initializer | instantiate | array |
|-------------|-------------|-------|
| append | refactor | |

Materials

SpaceAdventure Lesson 10 Xcode project

Opening

How might you describe the other planets in our solar system?

Agenda

• Within the SpaceAdventure initializer, explicitly instantiate eight Planet objects, and add each one to the planets array.

```
init() {
    let mercury = Planet(name: "Mercury", description: "A very hot
        planet, closest to the sun.")
    ...
    let neptune = Planet(name: "Neptune", description: "A very cold
        planet, furthest from the sun.")

planetarySystem.planets.append(mercury)
    ...
    planetarySystem.planets.append(neptune)
}
```

- Discuss the repetitive code in the initializer, and assert that students should return to improve, or "refactor," the initializer later.
- Add a T0D0 comment to the body of the initializer.

```
// TODO: Reduce repetitive code.
```

• Run the program (\(\mathbb{R} \), and observe that the console (\(\Delta \) \(\mathbb{R} \) displays that "there are 8 planets to explore."

Closing

Can you think of a way we can use the array of planets to let the traveler specify the planet he or she wishes to travel to?

Modifications And Extensions

• Delete the repeated calls to append, and use the Swift array literal syntax ([...]) to initialize the planets array.

Resources

The Swift Programming Language: About Swift https://developer.apple.com/library/prerelease/ios/documentation/Swift/Conceptual/Swift_Programming_Language/

The Swift Programming Language: A Swift Tour https://developer.apple.com/library/prerelease/ios/documentation/Swift/Conceptual/Swift_Programming_Language/GuidedTour.html

The Swift Programming Language: The Basics https://developer.apple.com/library/prerelease/ios/documentation/Swift/Conceptual/Swift_Programming_Language/TheBasics.html

The Swift Programming Language: Classes and Structures https://developer.apple.com/library/ios/documentation/Swift/Conceptual/Swift_Programming_Language/ClassesAndStructures.html

The Swift Programming Language: Initialization https://developer.apple.com/library/ios/documentation/Swift/Conceptual/Swift_Programming_Language/Initialization.html

The Swift Programming Language: Collection Types https://developer.apple.com/library/ios/documentation/Swift/Conceptual/Swift_Programming_Language/CollectionTypes.html

Swift Standard Library Reference: Array https://developer.apple.com/library/ios/documentation/General/Reference/SwiftStandardLibraryReference/Array.html