

Comments

This lesson will teach you how to comment your code in Rust.

We'll cover the following

- Types of Comments in Rust
 - Line Comments `//`
 - Block Comments `/*...*/`
 - Doc Comments
 - Outer Doc Comments `///`
 - Inner Doc Comments `//!`
- Quiz

Comments are **programmer readable instructions** to help explain things about your code. The compiler ignores them.

Types of Comments in Rust

Rust has two types of comments that are commonly used:

Line Comments `//`

The comments followed by a double forward slash, `//`, are known as line comments.

This is the most recommended style of comment for commenting a single line.

```
// Writing a Rust program
fn main() {
    //The line comment is the recommended comment style
    println!("This is a line comment!"); // print hello World to the screen
}
```



Block Comments `/*...*/`

Text enclosed within `/*...*/` is known as a block comment.

This is used for temporarily disabling a large chunk of code.

```
fn main() {  
    /*  
    The block comment is extremely useful for temporarily disabling  
    a large chunk of code. /* Block comments can also be /* nested, */ */  
    To comment a large block just write in between /* text */  
    */  
    println!("This is a line comment!"); // print hello World to the screen  
}
```



Doc Comments

The comments followed by `///` or `///!` are known as doc comments. Let's see the difference between the two sets of doc comments.

Outer Doc Comments `///`

Outer doc comments are written outside the block of code.

This type of comment supports [markdown notation](#). This is used to generate docs referring to the following item.

Inner Doc Comments `///!`

Inner doc comments are written inside the block of code.

This comment style is used to generate docs referring to the item within a block of code.

```
/// This is a Doc comment outside the function  
/// Generate docs for the following item.  
/// This shows my code outside a module or a function  
fn main() {  
    ///! This a doc comment that is inside the function  
    ///! This comment shows my code inside a module or a function  
    ///! Generate docs for the enclosing item  
    println!("{}", "Doc comment", "markdown");  
}
```



Quiz

Test your understanding of comments in Rust!

Quick Quiz on Comments!



Which type of comment is this? `//`



Which comment supports markdown notation?

[Retake Quiz](#)

Now that you have learned the basics, try solving the challenge given in the next lesson.