

27. Implicit Subject

Session focused on reducing boilerplate code from our specs.
He means reducing duplication.

When we pass the class name to the describe method, it creates an instance of that class for us.

It behaves exactly as let. The object is created again for each example.
This allows us to reduce code.

Of course there will be times where we have to customize the object, but it is good to know this.

On TDD probably we will not be able to use classes because the class may not exist. There is no problem, use a string.

```
RSpec.describe Hash do
  it 'adds items' do
    subject[:new] = 'new item'
    expect(subject[:new]).to eq('new item')
  end
end
```

28. Explicit Subject

Customize the subject.

```
RSpec.describe Hash do
  subject do
    { a: 1, b: 2 }
  end
end
```

You can have more than one subject but he thinks it is more professional to only have one.

Add alias to subject

Subject will be still available but you can also use “bob” as on the example:

```
subject(:bob) do
  { a: 1, b: 2 }
end
```

The same as let

You can create it with let, nobody is going to tell you something but we are going to see in the future some shortcuts that subject give us.

```
let(:bob) { {a: 1, b: 2} }
```

29. described_class

Instead of writing the class name while having the risk of a change of name from the class. We can use described_class

Without described:

```
RSpec.describe King do
  subject { King.new('Boris') }
  let(:loius) { King.new('Louis') }
end
```

With described:

```
RSpec.describe King do
  subject { described_class.new('Boris') }
  let(:loius) { described_class.new('Loius') }
end
```

30. One-Liner-Example-Syntax

Another advantage of using subject over let

You can omit the message inside the it (an automatic message will appear on run)

```

context 'with classic syntax' do
  it 'should equal 5' do
    expect(subject).to eq(5)
  end
end

context 'with one line syntax' do
  it { is_spected.to eq(5) }
end

```

31. Shared Examples with include_examples

Let's suppose we want to test the length method of the array, string and hash, all of them in their respective describe method.

Doing the next it on each describe is repetitive code

```

RSpec.describe Array do
  subject { [1, 2, 3] }

  it 'returns the number of items' do
    expect(subject.length).to eq(3)
  end
end

```

Instead of writing three identical examples, we are going to create a **shared example**

In a real app, we are going to have a file where we are going to declare a lot of shared examples.

To keep the course simple, we are going to add the shared example on the same file.

Create one

We use `shared_examples` (preferable on another file) and we give it a name, we add the shared example inside the block

You can add more than one example.

```

RSpec.shared_examples 'a Ruby object with three elements' do
  it 'returns the number of items' do
    expect(subject.length).to eq(3)
  end
end

```

Use the shared example

We use the function include example and we use the name we gave it.

```

RSpec.describe Array do
  subject { [1, 2, 3] }
  include_examples 'a Ruby object with three elements'
end

```

32. Shared Context with include_context

Shared helper methods, let methods, etc. That can be injected into other example groups.

Shared contexts are also added into another file.

Useful to define common setup.

Share:

- Helper methods
- Let method
- hooks

Create

```

RSpec.shared_context 'common' do
  before do
    @foods = []
  end

  def some_helper_method
    5
  end

  let(:some_variable) { [1, 2, 3] }
end

```

Use

```
RSpec.describe 'second example in different file' do
  include_context 'common'

  it 'can use shared let variables' do
    expect(some_variable).to eq([1, 2, 3])
  end
end
```