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This tutorial will show you how to develop a Ruby app in a local Microsoft Windows development environment and then deploy it to Heroku. It uses JRuby, which provides a slightly more Windows-friendly environment.

If you're not on Windows, we recommend the traditional Getting Started with Ruby on Heroku (<https://devcenter.heroku.com/articles/getting-started-with-ruby>) guide.

The first step is to sign up for a free Heroku account (<https://signup.heroku.com/signup/dc>).

Next, install the prerequisites:

1. Download and install JDK 8 (<https://www.oracle.com/technetwork/java/javase/downloads/index.html>) to get a Java virtual machine (JVM).
2. Download and install JRuby 9.1.5.0 (<http://jruby.org/files/downloads/9.1.5.0/index.html>). Select the JRuby .exe installer for your version of Windows. After installing, start a new command prompt as your PATHs will have changed.
3. Install Bundler. To do this, open a command prompt and type: `jruby -S gem install bundler`.

If you receive an error such as 'jruby' is not recognized as an internal or external command, operable program or batch file. , close your terminal session and open a new terminal to ensure that the %PATH% environment variable is set correctly.

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