

Programming Assignment Unit 1

My Rhyme game is a text-based game that utilizes core programming concepts for user interaction, random number generation, and basic game logic. Here's a breakdown of the technical aspects:

- **User Interaction:** The `Scanner` class from the `java.util` package (Eck, Chapter 2, page 48)[^1] serves as the foundation for user input. The program utilizes the `scanner.nextLine()` (Eck, Chapter 11, page 572)[^1] method to capture the player's guess for the rhyming word.
- **Random Word Selection:** The `Random` class provides functionalities for generating pseudo-random numbers. Here, an instance of `Random` (Eck, Chapter 5, page 226)[^1] is used to select a random index within the predefined `wordList` array. This retrieved index corresponds to the word presented to the player for rhyming.
- **Game Loop and Conditional Statements:** The core game logic is implemented within a `while` loop (Eck, Chapter 3, page 76)[^1]. This loop continues as long as the player chooses to keep playing (indicated by a "y" input). Inside the loop, an `if` statement (Eck, Chapter 3, page 79)[^1] checks if the user's guess rhymes with the chosen word (determined by the `isRhyme` function). Based on the outcome, the program displays appropriate messages and updates the score.
- **Basic Rhyming Check:** The `isRhyme` function demonstrates a simplified approach to identifying rhyming words. It employs string manipulation methods (`toLowerCase` and `substring`) (Eck, Chapter 2, page 34)[^1] to compare the last two characters of the player's guess and the chosen word (converted to lowercase for case-insensitive comparison). This is a basic implementation, and more sophisticated algorithms can be employed for advanced rhyming detection.

Code comments are included to help understand the created logic.

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// java.util.Scanner is for user input
// and java.util.Random to choose random words.
// Eck, Chapter 2, page 48
import java.util.Scanner;
// Eck, Chapter 5, page 226
import java.util.Random;

public class RhymeRider {

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Scanner scanner = new Scanner(System.in);
        Random random = new Random();

        // Define a list of words. Could be improved
        String[] wordList = {
            "glove",
            "love",
            "cat",
            "hat",
            "tree",
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        "sea",
        "fun",
        "sun",
        "age",
        "wage",
    };

    int score = 0;
    int totalQuestions = 0;
    boolean keepPlaying = true;

    System.out.println("Let's play a rhyme game!");
    // The game loop keeps running
    // until the user decides to stop (keepPlaying = false).
    while (keepPlaying) {
        // In each loop, a random word is chosen,
        // and the user is prompted to guess a rhyming word.
        // A basic isRhyme function checks if the last
        // two characters of the words match (a more sophisticated
        // rhyming check can be implemented).
        int randomIndex = random.nextInt(wordList.length);
        String word = wordList[randomIndex];

        System.out.println("What rhymes with " + word + "?");
        String guess = scanner.nextLine();

        // Check if the guess rhymes
        // Eck, Chapter 3, page 79
        if (isRhyme(word, guess)) {
            System.out.println("Great rhyme!");
            // The score is kept track of,
            // and the game displays messages based on the guess.
            score++;
            totalQuestions++;
        } else {
            System.out.println("Hmm, not quite. Try again!");
            totalQuestions++;
        }

        System.out.println("Continue riding? (y/n)");
        String choice = scanner.nextLine().toLowerCase();
        keepPlaying = choice.equals("y");
    }

    double percentage = (double) score / totalQuestions * 100;
    System.out.println("Thanks for playing Rhyme Game! You've made "
        + score + " out of "
        + totalQuestions +
        " (" + percentage + "%)");
}

/**
 * Checks if two words rhyme (basic implementation)

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*
* @param word1 First word
* @param word2 Second word
* @return True if the words rhyme, false otherwise
*/
public static boolean isRhyme(String word1, String word2) {
    // Simple check based on the last two characters (can be improved)
    // Eck, Chapter 2, page 34
    return word1.toLowerCase().
        endsWith(word2.
            toLowerCase().
                substring(word2.length() - 2));
}
}

```

Code run instructions

As I'm a linux user, to run this code I created a `gabriel_game.java` file, copy and paste the code, and run it using the `java gabriel_game.java` command.

[^1]: Eck, David J. (2022). Introduction to Programming Using Java. <https://math.hws.edu/javanotes/index.html>