rSpec Quick Reference

Core API

Arbitrary Block object.should satisfy { | arg | ... } object.should not satisfy {|arg| ...} Equality object.should equal <value> object.should not equal <value> object.should == <value> Floating Point Comparison object.should_be_close <val>, <delta> object.should not be close <val>, <delta> Identity object.should be <value> object.should_not_be <value> Arbitrary Predicate object.should_predicate [args] object.should be predicate [args] object.should not predicate [args] object.should not be predicate [args] object.should_be > <value> object.should be < <value> Pattern Matching object.should match <regex> object.should not match <regex> object.should =~ <regex> Ancestor Class object.should be an instance of <class> object.should not be an instance of <class> object.should be a kind of <class> object.should not be a kind of <class> object.should respond to <symbol> object.should_not_respond_to <symbol> Raising proc.should raise <exception> proc.should_not_raise <exception> proc.should raise proc.should not raise **Throwing** proc.should_throw <symbol> proc.should_not_throw <symbol> proc.should not throw

Mock API

```
Creating a mock
  mock = mock (<name>)
  mock = mock(<name>, <options>)
  mock = mock("blah", :null_object => true)
Expecting Messages
  mock.should receive(:<message>)
  mock.should not receive(:<message>)
Arbitrary Message Handling
  mock.should_receive(:msg) do | a1 a2 ... |
  end
Expecting Arguments
```

```
.with(<args>)
.with(:no args)
.with(:any_args)
```

Argument Constraints

```
:anything, :numeric, :boolean, :string,
duck type(message(s))
  accepts anything that responds to all the message(s):
   #accepts a Fixnum for the second arg
   .with(a, duck_type(:abs, :div))
```

Receive Counts

```
.any number of times
.once
.twice
.exactly(n).times
.at least(:once)
.at least(:twice)
.at_least(n).times
```

Return Values

```
.and return(v)
.and return(v1, v2, ..., vn)
  implies consequtive returns & .at_least(n).times
.and return {...}
```

Raising and Throwing

```
.and raise (<exception>)
.and throw(<symbol>)
```

Ordering

```
mock.should receive(:flip).once.ordered
mock.should receive(:flop).once.ordered
```

Collection Size

Containment

```
object.should have(<n>).things
object.should_have_at_least(<n>).things
object.should_have_at_most(<n>).things
```

object.should_include <object> object.should_not_include <object

Command Line Interface

```
Basic Usage

spec file

runs all specs in the given file

spec directory

runs all specs in all ruby files in the given directory

spec file/dir-1 file/dir-2 ... file/dir-n
```

Running Specific Specifications -s CONTEXT AND OR SPEC NAME

```
--spec CONTEXT_AND_OR_SPEC_NAME

General Options

-v, --version
-h, --help
-d, --dry-run
```

Output Formating

-r file, --require file

```
$spec -s "An empty stack" examples/stack_spec.rb
...
Finished in 0.001903 seconds
1 context, 3 specifications, 0 failures
```

```
-f specdoc
--format s
--format specdoc
$spec -f s -s "An empty stack"
examples/stack_spec.rb
An empty stack
- should accept an item when sent push
- should complain when sent top
- should complain when sent pop
Finished in 0.003552 seconds
1 context, 3 specifications, 0 failures
-f r
-f rdoc
--format r
--format rdoc
spec -f r -s "An empty stack"
examples/stack_spec.rb
# An empty stack
# * should accept an item when sent push
# * should complain when sent top
# * should complain when sent pop
-f <custom formatter class>
--format <custom formatter class>
-c, --color, --colour
Colour the final status line green or red
```

When There Are Failures

```
$spec failing_examples/mocking_spec.rb
.F

1)
MockExpectationError in 'Mocker should fail when expected message not received'
Mock 'poke me' expected 'poke' once, but received it 0 times
./failing_examples/mocking_spec.rb:13:in `'
Finished in 0.00242 seconds
2 specifications, 1 failures

spec -f s failing_examples/mocking_spec.rb
Mocker
- should be able to call mock()
- should fail when expected message not received (FAILED - 1)

1)
MockExpectationError in 'Mocker should fail when expected message not received'
Mock 'poke me' expected 'poke' once, but received it 0 times
./failing_examples/mocking_spec.rb:13:in `'
Finished In 0.004135 seconds
2 specifications, 1 failures
```

-f s