Ruby Monstas



Session 10

Agenda

- Errors
- Symbols
- Ranges
- Exercises



Syntax error

- Occurs before actually executing your code
- Your Ruby file does not adhere to the syntax rules of Ruby
- Syntax highlighting can help avoid these errors

```
def break_words(stuff)
  words = stuff.split(' ')
  return words
ed
```

```
session-10-error-exercise-solution.rb:85: syntax error, unexpected end-of-input, expecting keyword_end
```

Syntax error

```
[1, 2, 3].each puts integer end
```

```
session-10-error-exercise-solution.rb:60: syntax error, unexpected keyword_end, expecting end-of-input
```

Runtime errors

- Occurs during execution of your code
- Includes a backtrace
- Logic, naming, unexpected input, ...

```
def criticise_user_name(name)
  proper_name_length = 9
  if name.length == proper_name_length
      puts "Now that's a proper name!"
  els
      puts "This name is too long or too short!"
  end
end
session-10-error-exercise-syntax-fixed.rb:54:in `criticise_user_name': undefined local variable or method
`els' for main:Object (NameError)
    from session-10-error-exercise-syntax-fixed.rb:97:in `<main>'
```

Symbols

How to write a symbol?

```
irb(main):001:0> :name
=> :name
irb(main):002:0> :address
=> :address
irb(main):003:0> :any_string
=> :any_string
```

Symbols are like strings, but immutable

```
irb(main):010:0> puts "hello world".object_id
280
=> nil
irb(main):011:0> puts "hello world".object_id
880
=> nil
irb(main):012:0> puts :"hello world".object_id
628
=> nil
irb(main):013:0> puts :"hello world".object_id
628
=> nil
```

When to use symbols?

- The string needn't be changed at runtime.
- The string doesn't need methods of class String.

```
irb(main):001:0> full names = {
irb(main):002:1* :marion => 'Marion Schleifer',
irb(main):003:1* :fabian => 'Fabian Mettler',
irb(main):004:1* :ferdinand => 'Ferdinand Niedermann',
irb(main):005:1* :thomas => 'Thomas Ritter'
irb(main):006:1> }
=> {:marion=>"Marion Schleifer", :fabian=>"Fabian Mettler", :ferdinand=>"Ferdinand
Niedermann", :thomas=>"Thomas Ritter"}
irb(main):007:0> full names[:marion]
=> "Marion Schleifer"
```

Ranges

What are ranges?

- Set of values with beginning & end
- Can be constructed with a type that are comparable with the ⇔ operator
 - o i.e. integers, floats, doubles, strings etc.

How to write a range?

- irb(main):003:0> range = (1..9)=> 1..9
- Range with numbers from 1 to 9

- irb(main):004:0> other_range = (1...9)=> 1...9
- Range with numbers from 1 to 8

Methods on ranges

```
begin
   irb(main):006:0> range.begin
   => 1
• cover?
   irb(main):007:0 > letter range = ("a".."z")
   => "a".."z"
   irb(main):008:0> letter range.cover?("c")
   => true
```

Methods on ranges

to_a
 irb(main):009:0> range = (1..9)
 => 1..9
 irb(main):010:0> range.to_a
 => [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9]
 irb(main):011:0>

Methods on ranges

each

```
irb(main):020:0> range.each do |number| irb(main):021:1* print number + 1 irb(main):022:1> end 2345678910=> 1..9
```

Documentation

Check out the Ruby documentation for more range methods:

http://ruby-doc.org/core-2.2.0/Range.html

Time to practice



Let's get to it!