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S<sup>1</sup>TUBS

# STUBS

book\_generator.rb

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7   end
8
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11    composed_images = ImageComposer.call(images)
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Always returns [{ page: 1, content: ... }]

Always returns []

Always returns a File

# STUBS

- In computer science, test stubs are programs that simulate the behaviours of software components (or modules) that a module undergoing tests depends on
- They respond only with predefined answers!
- The idea is to make your module's spec independent of other modules thus enabling you to test only the logic in the module under test
- You can write specs that pass if the modules you depend on don't exist or are failing

[articles\\_controller\\_spec.rb](#)

Raw

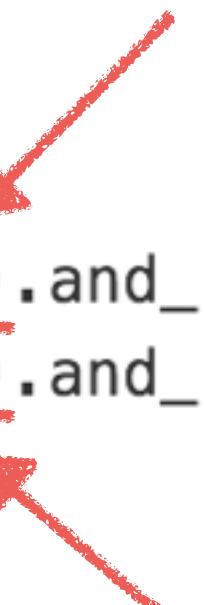
```
1 describe ArticlesController do
2   describe '#create' do
3     context 'passed valid params' do
4       before do
5          allow(Article).to receive(:save).and_return(true)
6       end
7
8       it 'redirects to the index page' do
9         ...
10      end
11    end
12
13    context 'passed invalid params' do
14      before do
15         allow(Article).to receive(:save).and_return(false)
16      end
17
18      it 'renders the new page again' do
19        ...
20      end
21    end
22  end
23 end
```

# STUBS

articles\_controller\_spec.rb

Raw

```
1 describe ArticlesController do
2   describe '#create' do
3     it "doesn't allow a second article to be created" do
4       article_1_params = { ... }
5       article_2_params = { ... }
6
7       allow(Article).to receive(:create).with(article_1_params).and_return(true)
8       allow(Article).to receive(:create).with(article_2_params).and_return(false)
9     end
10    end
11  end
```



# STUBS

- Independent specs
- Faster specs
- Granular control of the execution path
- Easier collaboration

# DOUBLES

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```

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book\_generator\_spec.rb

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```

# DOUBLES

- Empty objects
- Their methods can only be stubbed
- Used in place of other objects (stunt doubles)

“With great power comes great responsibility.”

–Ben Parker

[articles\\_controller\\_spec.rb](#)

Raw

```
1 describe ArticlesController do
2   describe '#create' do
3     it "creates a new object" do
4       article_params = { ... }
5
6       allow(Article).to receive(:create).and_return(true)
7
8       expect(Article.create(article_params)).to eq(true)
9     end
10    end
11  end
```

[articles\\_controller\\_spec.rb](#)

Raw

```
1 describe Dashboard do
2   describe "#posts" do
3     it "returns posts visible to the current user" do
4       user = double('user')
5       other_user = double('other user')
6       published_one = double 'post', user: other_user, published: true, title: "published_one"
7       published_two = double 'post', user: other_user, published: true, title: "published_two"
8       unpublished = double 'post', user: other_user, published: false, title: "unpublished"
9       visible_one = double 'post', user: user, published: false, title: "visible_one"
10      visible_two = double 'post', user: user, published: false, title: "visible_two"
11
12      posts = [published_one, published_two, unpublished, visible_one, visible_two]
13
14      allow(Post).to receive(:all).and_return(posts)
15      dashboard = Dashboard.new(posts: Post.all, user: user)
16
17      allow(posts).to receive(:visible_to).with(user).and_return(posts - [unpublished])
18      result = dashboard.posts
19
20      expect(result.map(&:title)).to match_array(%w(
21        published_one
22        published_two
23        visible_one
24        visible_two
25      ))
26    end
27  end
28 end
```

[articles\\_controller\\_spec.rb](#)

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2   describe "#posts" do
3     it "returns posts visible to the current user" do
4       user = double('user')
5       post = double('visible post')
6       posts = [post]
7
8       dashboard = Dashboard.new(posts: posts, user: user)
9
10      allow(posts).to receive(:visible_to).with(user).and_return(posts)
11      expect(dashboard.posts).to match_array(posts)
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MOCKS

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# MOCKS

- They are very similar to stubs
- The key difference is that the spec will check if a mock has been called
- Stubs that have to be executed
- Shares the stub syntax



SPIES

# SPIES

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13
14      BookGenerator.new(order_item).call
15      →expect(order_item).to have_received(:update)
16    end
17  end
18 end
```

# SPIES

spy.rb

```
1 describe '#have_received' do
2   it 'expects deliver to get called' do
3     invitation = spy('invitation')
4     invitation.deliver
5     expect(invitation).to have_received(:deliver)
6   end
7 end
```

Raw

# SPIES

- More explicit version of mocks
- Have a different syntax



FAKES



# FAKES

checkout\_controller\_spec.rb

Raw

```
1 describe CheckoutController do
2   describe "#checkout" do
3     it 'registers the transaction' do
4       allow(PaymentProcessor).to receive(:register_payment).and_return({ ... })
5
6       ...
7     end
8   end
9 end
10 end
```

# FAKES

```
85  def self.verify_all_cards!
86    self.verify_all_cards = true
87  end
88
89  def self.generate_transaction(options = {})
90    history_item = {
91      'timestamp' => Time.now,
92      'amount' => options[:amount],
93      'status' => options[:status]
94    }
95    created_at = options[:created_at] || Time.now
96    {
97      'status_history' => [history_item],
98      'subscription_id' => options[:subscription_id],
99      'created_at' => created_at,
100     'amount' => options[:amount]
101   }
102 end
```

# FAKES

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## New maintainer

[thoughtbot](#) stopped using Braintree but wanted this library to live on.

It was transferred on May 7th, 2015 to [High Fidelity](#).

We hope to soon start tackling the number one outstanding issue - [support for Braintree's v.zero API](#).

## fake\_braintree, a Braintree fake build failing

This library is a way to test [Braintree](#) code without hitting Braintree's servers. It uses [Capybara::Server](#) to intercept all of the calls from Braintree's Ruby library and returns XML that the Braintree library can parse. The whole point is not to hit the Braintree API.

It supports a lot of Braintree methods, but it does not support every single one of them (yet).

## Supported API methods

### Address

- [Braintree::Address.create](#)

### ClientToken

# FAKES

- Additional code
- You need specs for your specs
- Unexpected behaviour
- Use webmock or VCR instead

THANKS FOR LISTENING

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