

## RUBY REFERENCE SHEET

**Mathematical Operators**      +      -      \*      /      %      \*\*  
Order of Precedence:    \*\*, then {\*, /, %}, then {+,-}      Left associativity except for \*\*

**Relational Operators**      ==      !=      <      <=      >      >=

**Logical Operators**      and      or      not

### Variables

- All variable names must start with a lowercase letter. Variables are case sensitive.
- The remainder of the variable name (if any) can consist of any combination of uppercase letters, lowercase letters, digits and underscores (\_).

### Assignment Statements

- The lefthand side must contain a single variable. The righthand side can be any valid Ruby expression.

### Defining Methods (Functions)

```
def methodname(parameterlist)
  instructions
end
```

- The name of a method follows the same rules as names for variables. (Ruby convention: methods that cause a side effect have names that end in ! and method that return true or false have names that end in ?)
- The parameter list can contain 1 or more variables that represent data to be used in the method's computation. A method can have 0 parameters.
- You can use the `return` instruction to return the value of a variable or expression or use `return` by itself to return immediately without returning a result.

### Loops

```
for loop_variable in start_value .. end_value do
  loop body
end
```

```
while condition do
  loop body
end
```

### Conditional Statements

```
if condition then
  statement_list
end
```

```
if condition then
  statement_list1
else
  statement_list2
end
```

### Output & other functions

<code>print</code>	prints the value supplied
<code>puts</code>	prints the value supplied with a newline
<code>to_s</code>	converts the data value to a string (example: <code>15.to_s</code> )
<code>to_i</code>	converts the data value to an integer (example: <code>"25".to_i</code> )

## Declaring new arrays:

```
array1 = Array.new(20)      # an uninitialized array of size 20
array2 = []                # an empty array
array3 = Array(1..10)      # an array with the values 1 through 10
array4 = [3,5,7,9,11]      # a 5 element array with initial values
array5 = [ [1,2,3], [4,5,6] ] # an array of arrays (a 2D array)
```

## Array Operations

```
[i]                returns the element at index i in the array (e.g. array3[6])
[i..j]             returns a new array with the elements from the current array from index i to index j
                  Example array6 = array4[1..3]
<< x              appends x to the end of the array (e.g. array2 << 16)
first              returns the first element of the array (e.g. array4.first)
last               returns the last element of the array
length            returns the number of elements in the array
each { }           processes each element of the array based on the given code
                  Example: array4.each { |item| print item }
delete_if { }      deletes each element of the array that matches the given condition
                  Example: array4.delete_if( |item| item > 6 )
index(element)     returns the index of the first occurrence of the given element
include?(item)     returns true if the array includes the given item, false otherwise
clone              returns a copy of the array
slice!(i)          removes and returns the item at position i in the array
[row].length       returns the number of columns in the given row of a 2D array
                  example: array5[1].length returns the number of columns in row 1 of array5
```

## Strings

Strings can be treated as an array of characters. The value of each position of a string is its ASCII value.

```
s = "abc"          Output:    97
for i in 0..s.length-1 do
  print s[i], "\n"    98
end                 99
```

## Graphics

```
Canvas.init(width, height, title_string)    create a window of size width X height (in pixels)
Canvas::Rectangle.new(x1, y1, x2, y2, :fill=>color1, :outline=>color2)
    Draws a rectangle with top left corner of (x1,y1) and bottom right corner of (x2,y2) in pixels coordinates.
Canvas::Circle.new(x, y, r, :fill=>color1, :outline=>color2)
    Draws a circle with center (x,y) and radius r in pixels coordinates.
```

NOTE: colors are given as strings (e.g. "black"). Fill and outline are optional.

## Running Ruby functions in irb

```
load filename      Loads a Ruby file      Example: load "f1.rb"
quit               Exits out of irb
```