

## Ruby master - Feature #11032

### Add a warning for misspelling "def initialize"

04/03/2015 06:38 PM - shevegen (Robert A. Heiler)

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| <b>Status:</b>  | Closed        |
| <b>Priority:</b>  | Normal        |
| <b>Assignee:</b>  |               |
| <b>Target version:</b>  |               |
| <b>Description</b>  |               |
| Hi guys,  |               |
| When I was younger, in a class, I wrote this:   |               |
| <code>"def initialize(some_argument_here)"</code>   |               |
| This lead to an error because it should have been:  |               |
| <code>"def initialize(some_argument_here)"</code>   |               |
| My proposal is simple:  |               |
| Add a warning for an error like this. :)  |               |
| (a) If there is no method called "initialize"   |               |
| (b) but there is a message called "intialize",  |               |
| in a given class, add a notification such as:   |               |
| <code>"warning: intialize might be misspelled, perhaps you meant initialize"</code>   |               |
| Reasoning: Perhaps other people out there also sometimes misspell initialize, so that might make it a bit faster for them to detect this error. |               |
| <b>Related issues:</b>  |               |
| Related to Ruby master - Feature #11252: Integrated "did_you_mean" gem to rub...  | <b>Closed</b> |

#### History

##### #1 - 04/03/2015 09:01 PM - jeremyevans0 (Jeremy Evans)

What if I misspelled it "initailize"? Or "initalize"? Or any other of the numerous different ways to misspell it?

##### #2 - 04/04/2015 01:55 AM - phluid61 (Matthew Kerwin)

Jeremy Evans wrote:

What if I misspelled it "initailize"? Or "initalize"? Or any other of the numerous different ways to misspell it?

Or "initialise"? Which I do with some regularity.

My solution: unit testing.

##### #3 - 06/17/2015 08:49 AM - duerst (Martin Dürst)

- Related to Feature #11252: Integrated "did\_you\_mean" gem to ruby-core added

##### #4 - 06/17/2015 08:51 AM - duerst (Martin Dürst)

- Status changed from Open to Closed

This issue can be closed because this will be covered by [#11252](#) in a much more general way.