

Ruby master - Feature #6243

Make ERB Ruby's Super Power

04/02/2012 06:31 AM - trans (Thomas Sawyer)

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| Status: | Rejected |
| Priority: | Normal |
| Assignee: | |
| Target version: | 2.0.0 |
| Description | |
| <p>As a Super Ruby Developer I want to make Ruby Super Developery Given wimpy Ruby, coding is arduous:</p> <pre>class Letters def a "Aa" end def b "Bb" end # Oh, dear St. V! It's just too long. I don't want to go on!</pre> <p>Then Super Ruby saves the day!</p> <pre>class Letters <%= ('a'..'z').each do letter %> def <%= letter %> "<%= letter.upcase %><%= letter %>" end <% end %> end letters = Letters.new letters.a #=> "Aa" letters.b #=> "Bb"</pre> <p>Imagine the power of Ruby ** Ruby! It's like putting Ruby in a phone booth and out pops Ruby with big on chest. And like that, Super Ruby destroys all super villain languages like PHP!</p> <p>And you can't reject b/c this issue is all Gherkin which makes it legit.</p> | |

History

#1 - 04/03/2012 12:40 AM - tenderlovemaking (Aaron Patterson)

- Category changed from core to Joke

#2 - 04/03/2012 04:43 AM - kernigh (George Koehler)

=begin

The original poster's code (for ERB) fails with SyntaxError.

This code (for plain Ruby) works:

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class Letters
('a'..'z').each do |letter|
result = letter.upcase + letter
define_method(letter) { result }
end
end
=end
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#3 - 04/03/2012 05:12 AM - trans (Thomas Sawyer)

[kernigh \(George Koehler\)](#) You actually tried it!? Sweet!

Looking it over the error was probably b/c the first <%= should not have the =.

Of course this was for April Fool's Day. As your code shows Ruby is quite capable of meta-programming without ERB based macro system... albeit not quite as "super"! :)

I note, though, it's not quite useless either. I've used similar idea to update VERSION = in version.rb file of some projects before.

#4 - 04/04/2012 11:40 AM - tenderlovmaking (Aaron Patterson)

- *Status changed from Open to Rejected*

Closing since April 1st has completed. :-)