CMSC330 Spring 2015 Quiz #1

Name ________________________________

Discussion Time (circle one):  10am  11am  12pm  1pm  2pm  3pm

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Instructions

• Do not start this test until you are told to do so!
• You have 15 minutes for this quiz.
• This is a closed book exam. No notes or other aids are allowed.
• Answer essay questions concisely in 2-3 sentences. Longer answers are not needed.
• For partial credit, show all of your work and clearly indicate your answers.
• Write neatly. Credit cannot be given for illegible answers.

1. (4 pts) Name an important difference between Ruby’s nil and Java’s null.

2. (10 pts) What is the output (if any) of the following Ruby programs? Write FAIL if code does not execute. Output “nil” for “puts x” when x is nil (as in Ruby 1.8.7), instead of outputting a blank line (as in Ruby 1.9.3).

   a. (3 pts)
      a = []
      a[1] = “b”
      a = {}
      a[2] = 3
      puts a[1]

   b. (3 pts)
      if “Hello Universe” =~ /^([a-z]+)/ then
         puts “Found #{1}”
      else
         puts “Not found”
      end

   c. (4 pts)
      a = [7, 3]
      a[3] = “foo”
      a.each{|x| puts x}
3. (6 pts) Write a Ruby method `triple` that given an array of integers `int_values`, uses the `Array.each`, `Array.sort` method and code blocks to print each array value and its corresponding tripled value, in sorted descending order. For instance, given the array `[3, 2, 6, 1]`, your code should print out the following:

```ruby
def triple(int_values)
  # Some helpful functions (not all need to be used)
  a.each { ... }  # apply code block to each element in array
  a.sort { ... }  # sort based on specifications of code block
  puts b          # print b followed by a newline
  c.to_s          # returns string for c

  # Example usage
  int_values = [3, 2, 6, 1]
  triple(int_values)
  # Output:
  # 6 18
  # 3 9
  # 2 6
  # 1 3
```