CSE 341, Winter 2010, Assignment 7
Ruby Warmup
Due: Monday March 1, 10:00pm

16 points total (6 points Question 1, 10 points Question 2)

You can use up to 2 late days for this assignment.

This assignment involves defining some simple classes in Ruby for stacks and binary trees, and writing unit tests for them. Put your tree classes in one file called `assign7.rb`, and your unit tests in another file called `assign7_tests.rb`.

1. Define a class `Stack` with the following methods:

   (a) `initialize` initializes a stack by defining an instance variable `@items` to nil.
   (b) `push` pushes an item on the stack. It takes one argument, the item to push on the stack. The return value should be the stack itself.
   (c) `pop` pops an item off the stack. It takes no arguments, and returns the item popped from the stack. Calling `pop` on an empty stack raises an exception.
   (d) `empty?` tests whether the stack is empty.

   Internally the stack should use a linked list to store the items. Define a class `Link` for this purpose.

   In your tests, provide tests for each of the methods of stack, including a test that demonstrates raising an exception when popping an empty stack.

2. Implement binary trees by defining two classes `Leaf` and `BinaryNode` with the methods described below. A `Leaf` has one value and a `BinaryNode` has a value at that node, and also left and right child nodes. `Leaf` and `BinaryNode` should both include the `Enumerable` mixin.

   (a) `Leaf`'s `initialize` takes one argument, the value at that node.
   (b) `BinaryNode`'s `initialize` takes three arguments: the value at the node, and the left and right children (both assumed to be either leaves or binary nodes – no need to check).
   (c) `each` for both `Leaf` and `BinaryNode` takes a block and invokes it with each value in the tree. The tree should be traversed using an inorder traversal (i.e. for a binary node, call the block on the left child, then on the value, then on the right child.
   (d) `==` tests whether two nodes are structurally equal (so for binary node you should recursively test whether the left and right children are equal, as well as the value at the node). Following the Duck Typing philosophy, `==` should *not* build in the class name `Leaf` or `BinaryNode`. However, you can test whether the argument is an instance of the same class as the receiver (`self.class`).

   Write unit tests that demonstrate that each of your methods is working correctly. In particular, you should have a test that only passes if the tree is traversed using an inorder traversal (and should fail if it does say a postorder traversal, or doesn't visit every node).

   By using the `Enumerable` mixin, you get a large number of useful methods automatically, such as `min`, `max`, `sort`, `collect`, `find`, `reject`, and others. Also include a unit test that shows that `min` gives the correct answers for both leaves and binary nodes.

   Hint: for `BinaryNode`, you'll need to convert from blocks to Procs and back. There is an example of doing this linked from the 341 Ruby web page. On the other hand, the `each` method for `Leaf` is straightforward – for this method *don't* convert the block to a Proc.

Turnin: Turn in your two files, one with the definitions definitions and the other with your unit tests. You don't need to turn in a script showing your program running — the TA's can just run the unit tests for that.