

## trouble compiling instruction: console.puts(...

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I'm reading the AoA by Randy Hyde. In the chapter called "IntegerArithmetic" he has a program called "testRandom" that illustrates the use of the rand.range and rand.urange functions. What this program does is prints a number of asterisks on your screen in a random pattern.

I thought I'd go ahead and run the program just to see what it looks like. The code didn't seem very difficult.

However, I cannot compile the program. When I try I get the following error:

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Error in file "testRandom.hla" at line 22 [errid:55234/hlaparse.bsn]:  
Expected ':', encountered '('  
<Possible undefined ID '.puts').  
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```

So, the line it is complaining about is:

```
console.puts( ax, bx, "*" );
```

The lines immediately preceding it are:

```
rand.urange( 0, 23);  
//Print an asterisk at  
//the specified coordinate on the screen.
```

```
console.puts( ax, bx, "*" );
```

So, I take it that for some reason I am unable to compile the console.puts instruction. Just to experiment I typed in console.put and then console.putsx.

Both times it complained about the same thing. put as an undefined ID and putsx as an undefined ID.

The same program contained the console.cls(); instruction and that compiled with no problem.

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If this is a problem with the libraries I figure someone else would have probably run into this problem also.

Anyone?

Thanks.

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