

Re: Selecting XML elements by id?

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> And, much to my surprise, the following is invalid syntax:

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> \$doc->xql("//span[@id='myid']");

Invalid, yes, but only because I was dumb. That '@' sign is (obviously, in retrospect) getting eaten by perl. What I meant was:

```
$doc->xql("//span[\@id='myid']");
```

And this works fine.

I'm still not sure why this doesn't work:

```
$doc->xql("id('myid')");
```

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