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Ruby Method Missing <Writing own own class | TOC | Ruby Procs> When you send a message to an object, the object executes the first method it finds on its method lookup path with the same name as the message. I have been looking at different languages to get started. I found `method_missing` in Ruby very interesting but was not able to find the same in Java and PHP. Allows access to the object attributes, which are held in the `@attributes` hash, as were they first-class methods. So a Person class with a name attribute can use `Person#name` and `Person#name=` and never directly use the attributes hash — except for multiple assigns with `ActiveRecord#attributes=`. `BasicObject` is the parent class of all classes in Ruby. It's an explicit blank class. `BasicObject` can be used for creating object hierarchies independent of Ruby's object hierarchy, proxy objects like the `Delegator` class, or other uses where namespace pollution from Ruby's methods and classes must be avoided.