

AWS PROJECT

Architect and Build an End-to-End AWS Web Application

Overview of AWS Services Used:

1. **AWS Amplify** - To host and deploy the frontend HTML page.
2. **AWS Lambda** - To implement backend logic for processing requests.
3. **Amazon API Gateway** - To provide a public API endpoint for invoking the backend Lambda function.
4. **Amazon DynamoDB** - To store and retrieve data.
5. **AWS Identity and Access Management (IAM)** - To configure permissions between services securely.

Steps to Complete the Project

1. **Host the Frontend Using AWS Amplify** - Deploy an HTML file as a static website.
2. **Create and Configure a Lambda Function** - Set up a serverless function to handle backend processing.
3. **Set Up API Gateway** - Establish a REST API to link the frontend with the Lambda backend.
4. **Set Up DynamoDB** - Create a database to store processed data.
5. **Update Permissions and Code** - Ensure that the Lambda function has the required permissions to access DynamoDB.
6. **Deploy and Update the Frontend** - Redeploy the HTML file with API endpoint integration.

Step 1: Host the Frontend Using AWS Amplify

1. Prepare the HTML File:

a) Create your `index.html` file with the necessary content.

Example index.html

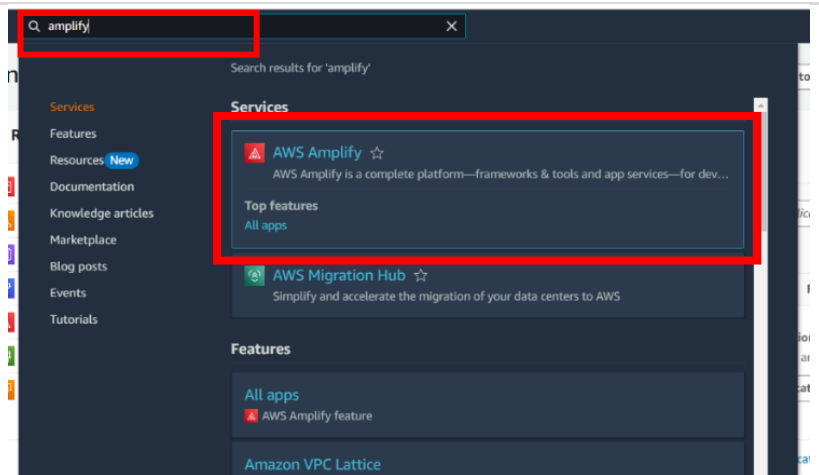
```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">
<head>
  <meta charset="UTF-8">
  <meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width, initial-scale=1.0">
  <title>Age Calculator</title>
</head>
<body>
  <h1>Age Calculator</h1>
  <form id="ageForm">
    Enter your birth year: <input type="number" id="birthYear"
required><br><br>
    <button type="button" onclick="calculateAge()">Calculate Age</button>
  </form>

  <script>
    function calculateAge() {
      let birthYear = document.getElementById("birthYear").value;
      fetch('<API_INVOKE_URL>', {
        method: 'POST',
        body: JSON.stringify({ birthYear: birthYear }),
        headers: {
          'Content-Type': 'application/json'
        }
      })
      .then(response => response.json())
      .then(data => {
        alert('Your age is: ' + data.age);
      });
    }
  </script>
</body>
</html>
```

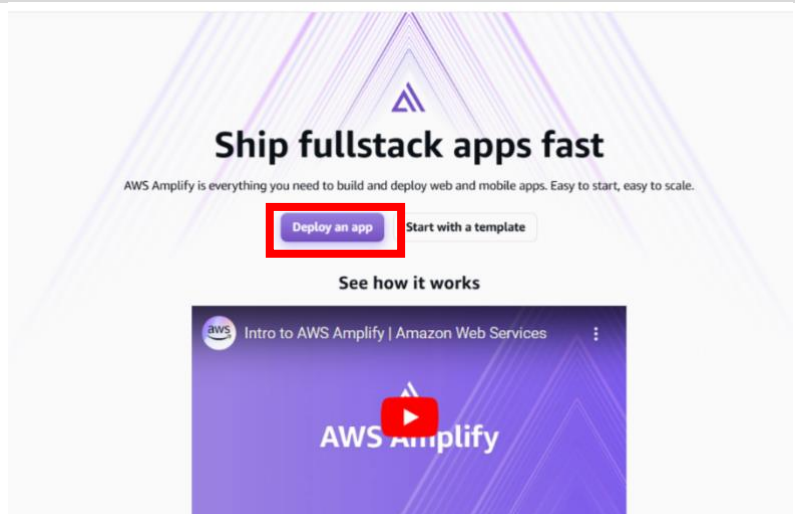
b) Compress the file into a .zip archive.

2. Deploy the Application Using AWS Amplify:

In the AWS Console, search for **Amplify**.

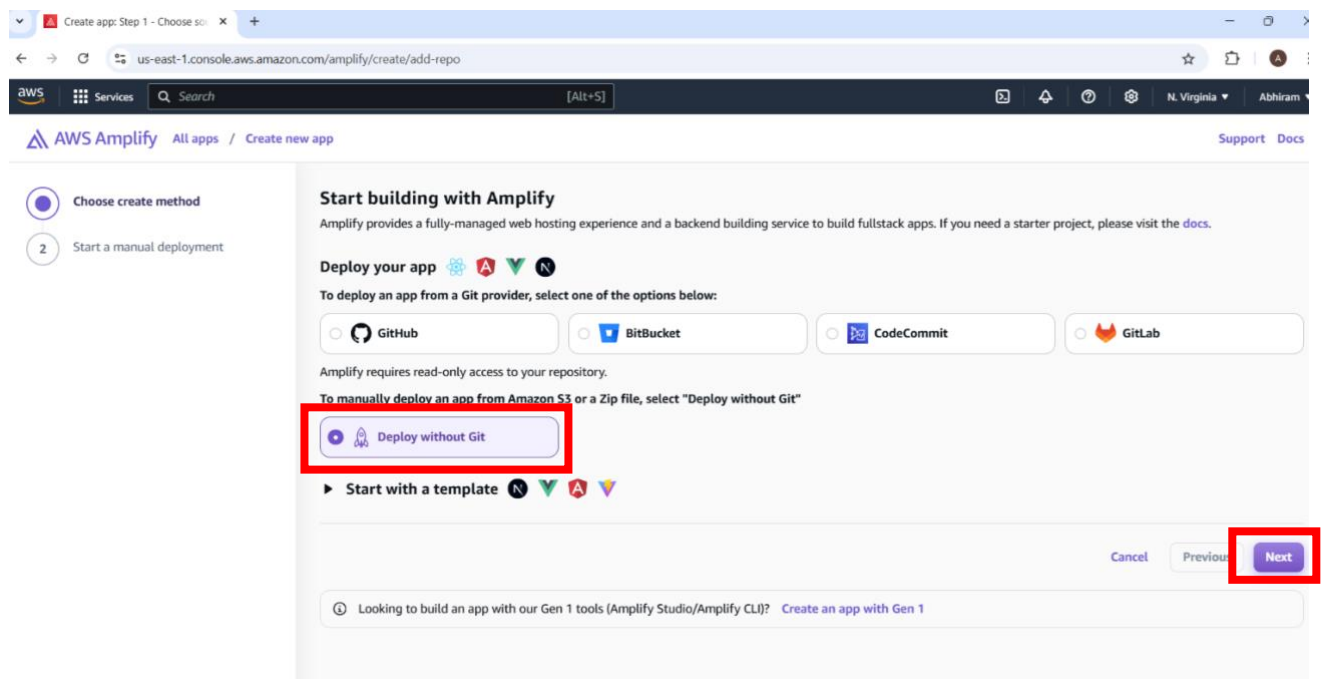


Click **Deploy an app**



Deploy without Git.

Click **Next**



Give your **App name**.

eg: AgeCalcApp

Drag and drop the .zip file containing index.html into the Amplify console.

Click **Save and Deploy**.


Start a manual deployment


Manually upload objects to deploy your app. You can choose to drag and drop the artifacts directly, pull a zip from an existing S3 bucket or any other URL.


App name
AgeCalcApp


Branch name
staging


Method

☒  Drag and drop

☐  Amazon S3

☐  Any URL

 index.zip
Uploaded ✓

 Remove

Zip the contents of your build output, not the top level folder

Make sure you zip the contents of your build output and not the top level folder. For example, if your build output generates a folder named "build" or "public", first navigate into that folder, select all of the contents, and zip it from there.

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Cancel

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Save and deploy

Wait for the deployment to complete (**Deployed** ) , and click the domain link to view the live site.

AgeCalcApp

Overview

Hosting

App settings

AgeCalcApp

App ID: d3sbvuxd19kw0s

Branches 1

staging
Deployed ✓

Domain
<https://staging.d3sbvuxd19kw0s.amplifyapp.com>

Last deployment
0 minutes ago

Deploy updates

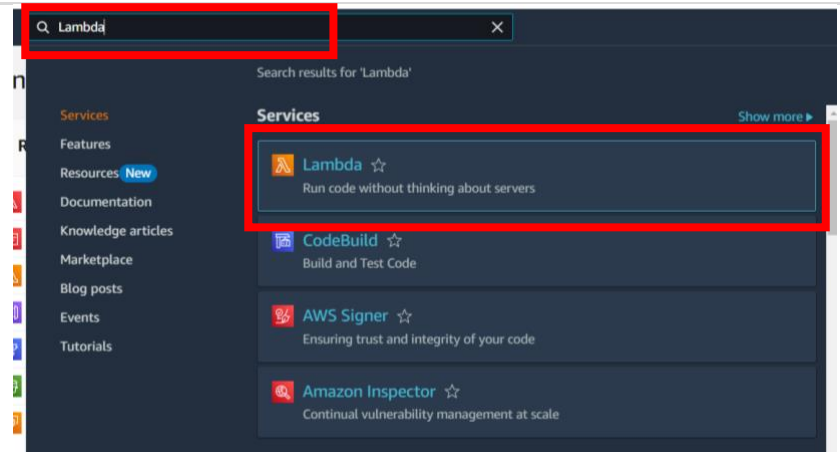
★ Production branch

Visit deployed URL

Step 2: Create a Lambda Function

1. Set Up Lambda:

Open a new tab and search for **Lambda** in the AWS Console.



Click **Create Function**

Choose **Author from scratch**.

Provide a **Function name**. eg: AgeCalcFunction
select the latest version of Python as the runtime

Click **Create function**

A screenshot of the AWS Lambda 'Create function' page. The page title is 'Create function'. Below the title, there are three options to create a function: 'Author from scratch' (selected and highlighted with a red box), 'Use a blueprint', and 'Container image'. The 'Basic information' section is visible below, containing a 'Function name' field with the value 'AgeCalcFunction' and a 'Runtime' dropdown menu set to 'Python 3.10'. The 'Architecture' section is partially visible at the bottom, showing 'x86_64' as the selected option.

2. Add Code to Lambda:

In the Lambda editor, replace the default code with your custom Lambda function code

Example Lambda code

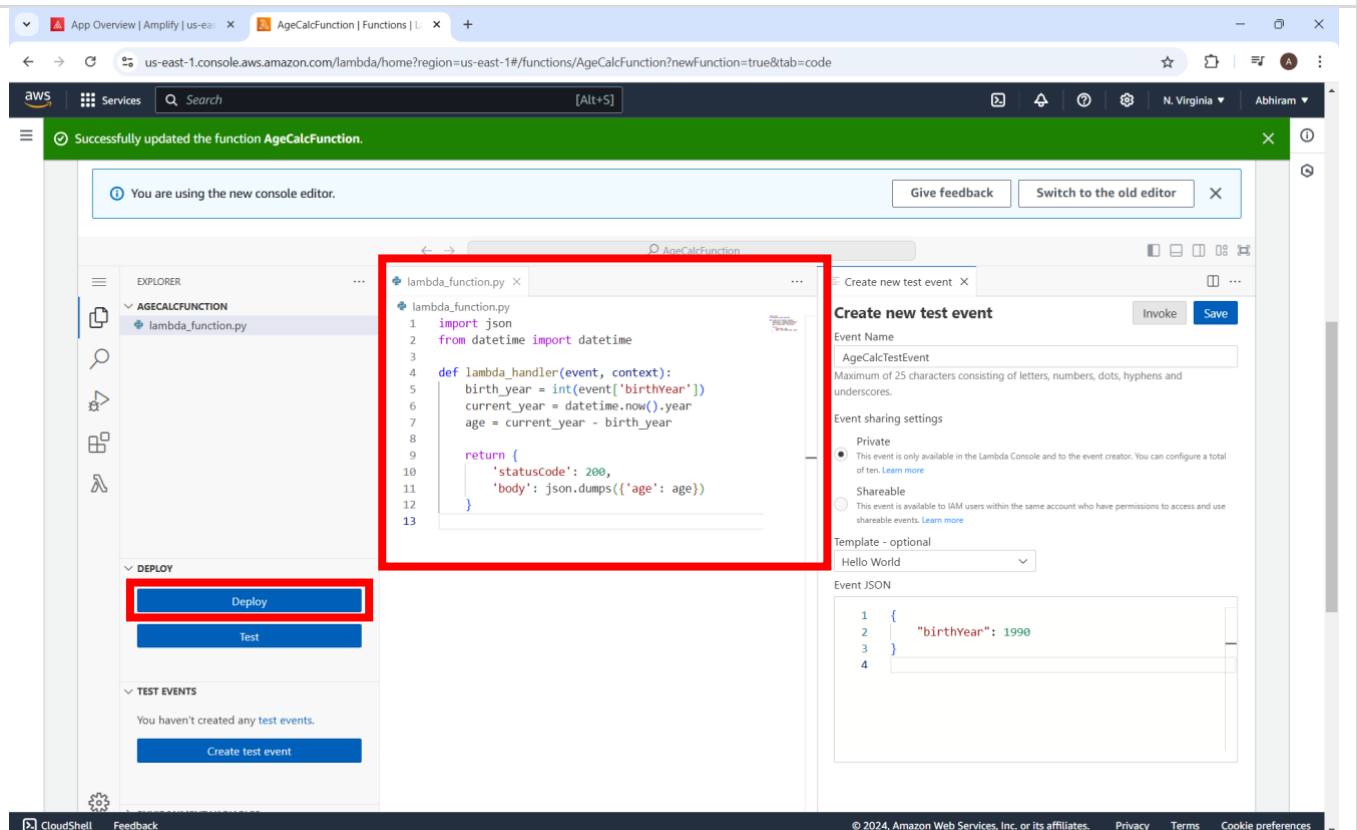
```
import json
from datetime import datetime

def lambda_handler(event, context):
    birth_year = int(event['birthYear'])
    current_year = datetime.now().year
    age = current_year - birth_year

    return {
        'statusCode': 200,
        'body': json.dumps({'age': age})
    }
```

Save the code using **Ctrl + S**.

Click **Deploy** to apply the changes.



3. Test the Lambda Function:

Click **Create test event**.

Name the test event eg: AgeCalcTestEvent

Enter your test data in the event box.

Example Test Event

```
{
  "birthYear": 1990
}
```

Click **Save**.

Click **Test** and Select the created test event to test. Verify the function's output.

The screenshot shows the AWS Lambda console interface. On the left sidebar, under the 'TEST EVENTS' section, the 'Create test event' button is highlighted with a red box. The main area displays the 'Create new test event' dialog, which is also outlined with a red box. The dialog includes the following fields and options:

- Event Name:** AgeCalcTestEvent (with a note: 'Maximum of 25 characters consisting of letters, numbers, dots, hyphens and underscores.')
- Event sharing settings:** Private (selected) and Shareable (unselected).
- Template - optional:** Hello World (selected from a dropdown).
- Event JSON:** A text area containing the JSON:

```
{
  "birthYear": 1990
}
```

 (The text area is outlined with a red box).

At the bottom of the console, the 'ENVIRONMENT VARIABLES' section shows '0' variables.

Verify the function's output.

PROBLEMS OUTPUT CODE REFERENCE LOG TERMINAL

Status: Succeeded
Test Event Name: AgeCalcTestEvent

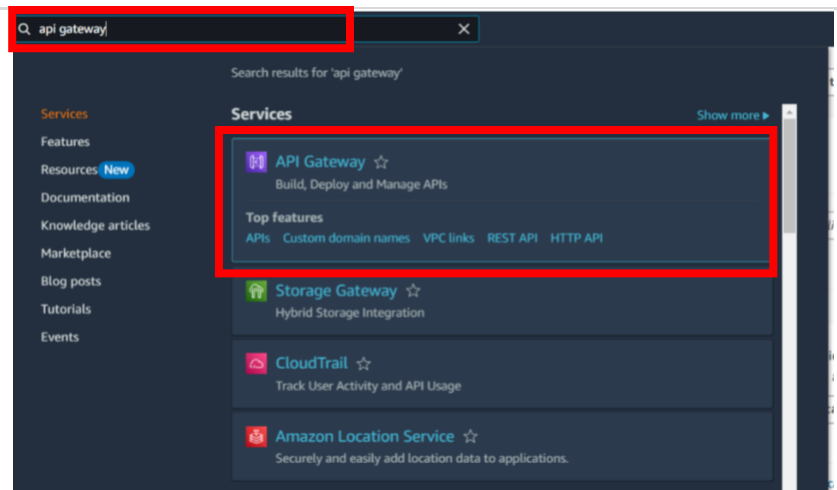
Response:

```
{
  "statusCode": 200,
  "body": "{\"age\": 34}"
}
```

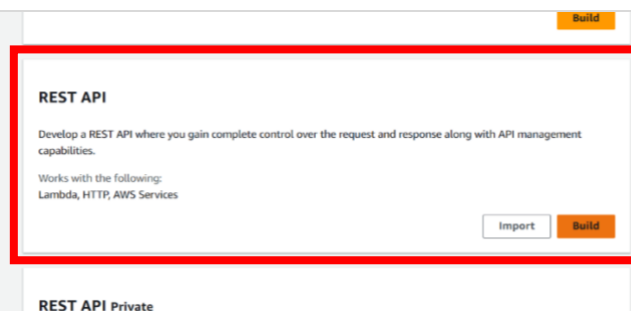
Step 3: Set Up API Gateway

1. Create a New API:

Open a new tab, search for **API Gateway**



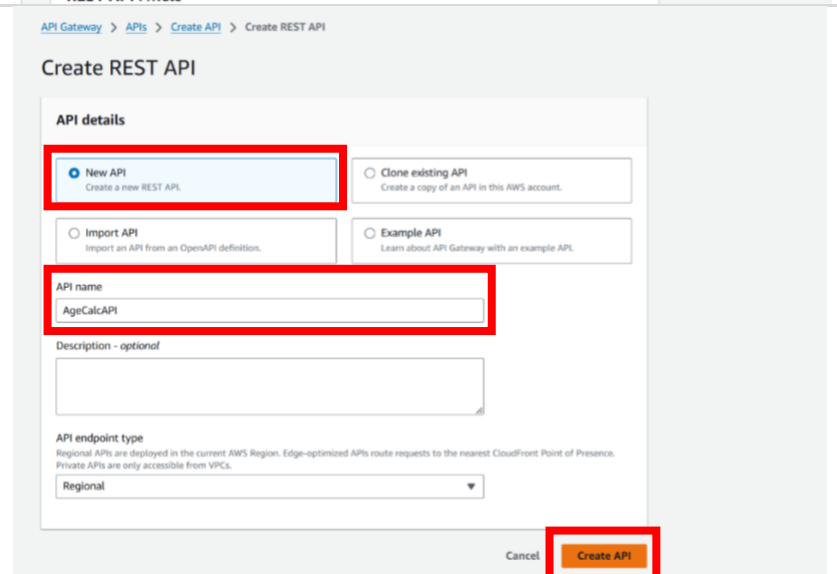
Click **Build** in the **REST API** section



Choose **New API**

Give **API name**.
eg: AgeCalcAPI

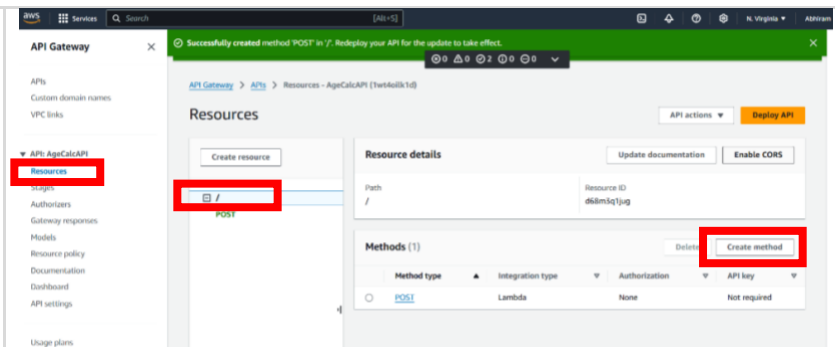
Click **Create API**.



2. Configure API Gateway:

Ensure you're in **Resources** section, inside it **/** is selected

Click **Create Method**

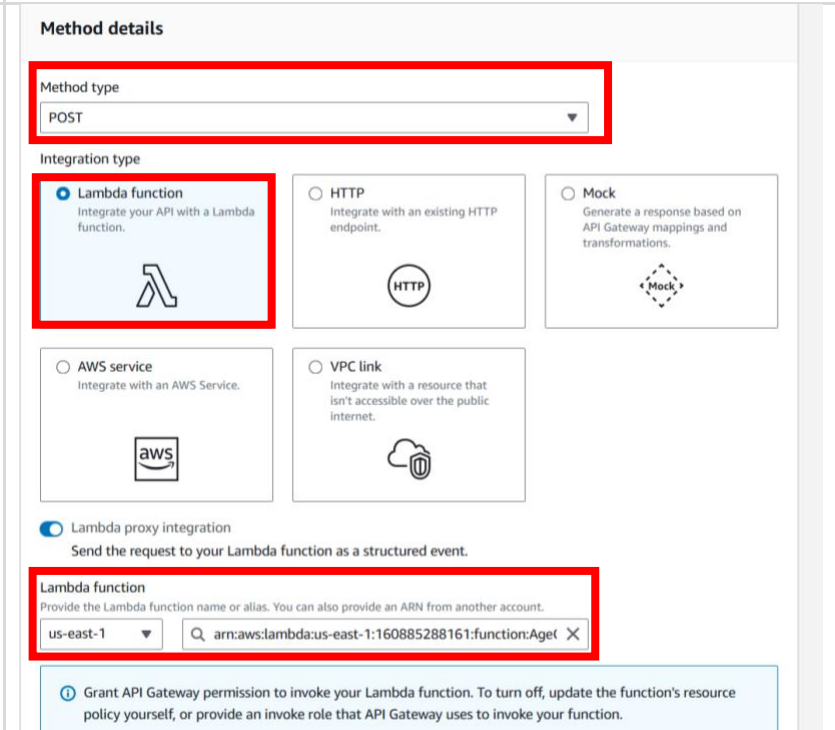


select **POST** as Method type

Choose **Lambda Function** as the integration type

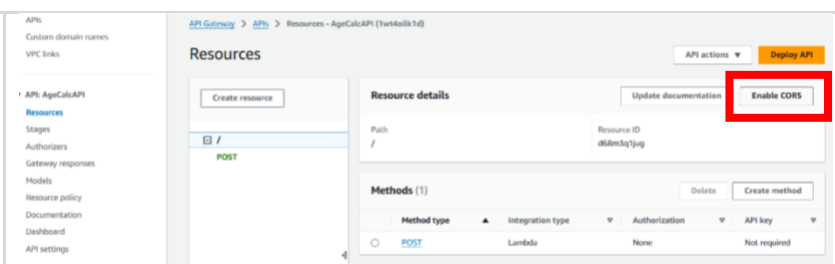
Enable **Lambda proxy integration**

Select the **Lambda function** you created earlier.



3. Enable CORS:

Go back to **/** and click **Enable CORS**.



Check on **POST** in Access-Control-Allow-Method

Click **Save**

Enable CORS

CORS settings [info](#)
To allow requests from scripts running in the browser, configure cross-origin resource sharing (CORS) for your API. When you save your configuration, API Gateway replaces any existing CORS settings with your new configuration.

Gateway responses
API Gateway will configure CORS for the selected gateway responses.

- ☐ Default 4XX
- ☐ Default 5XX

Access-Control-Allow-Methods

☒ **POST**

Access-Control-Allow-Headers

API Gateway will configure CORS for the selected gateway responses.

Content-Type,X-Amz-Date,Authorization,X-Api-Key,X-Amz-Security-Token

Access-Control-Allow-Origin

Enter an origin that can access the resource. Use a wildcard "*" to allow any origin to access the resource.

*

► Additional settings

Cancel

Save

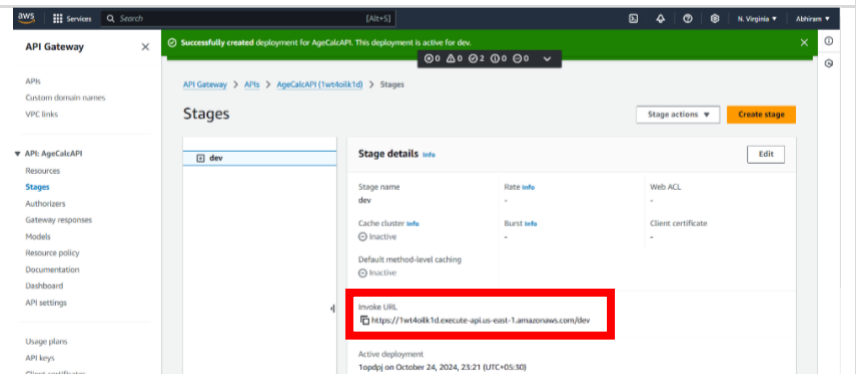
4. Deploy the API:

Click **Deploy API**

On stage, select ***New Stage***.

Give stage name as 'dev'

Copy and save the '**Invoke URL**' on notepad which we will use later



5. Test the API:

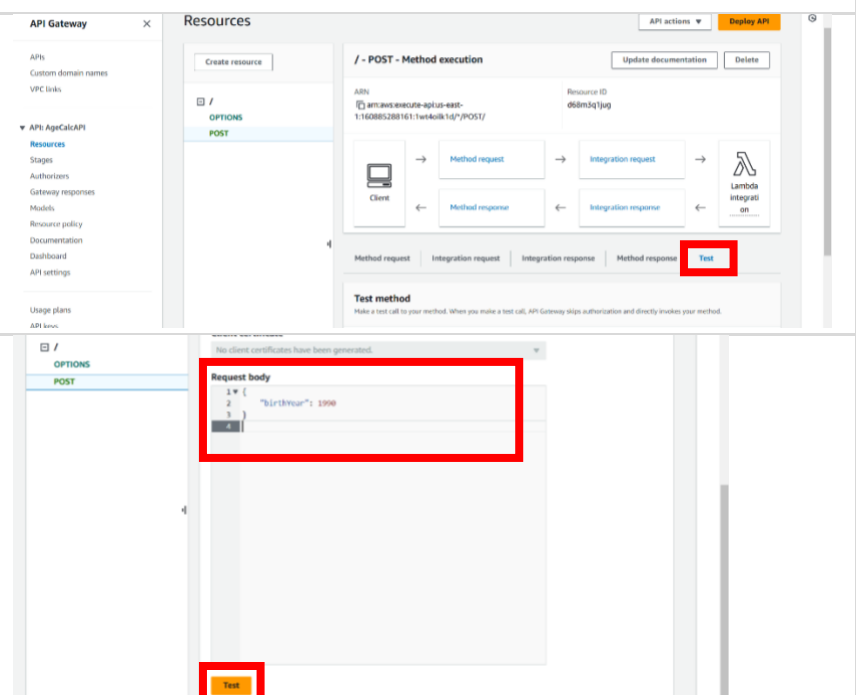
In API Gateway, return to **Resources** then select **POST**.

Go to the **Test** section

scroll down & input **test data** into the '**Request Body**'

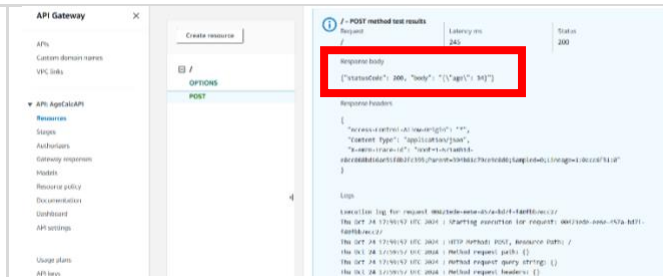
Example Test Event

```
{
  "birthYear": 1990
}
```



Click **Test**.

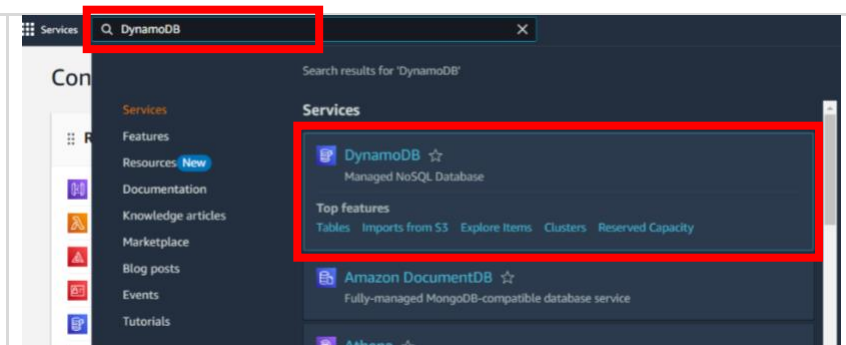
Confirm that the correct output is returned.



Step 4: Set Up DynamoDB

1. Create a DynamoDB Table:

Open a new tab, search for **DynamoDB**, and click **Create Table**.



Give a name for the table eg: AgeCalcDatabase

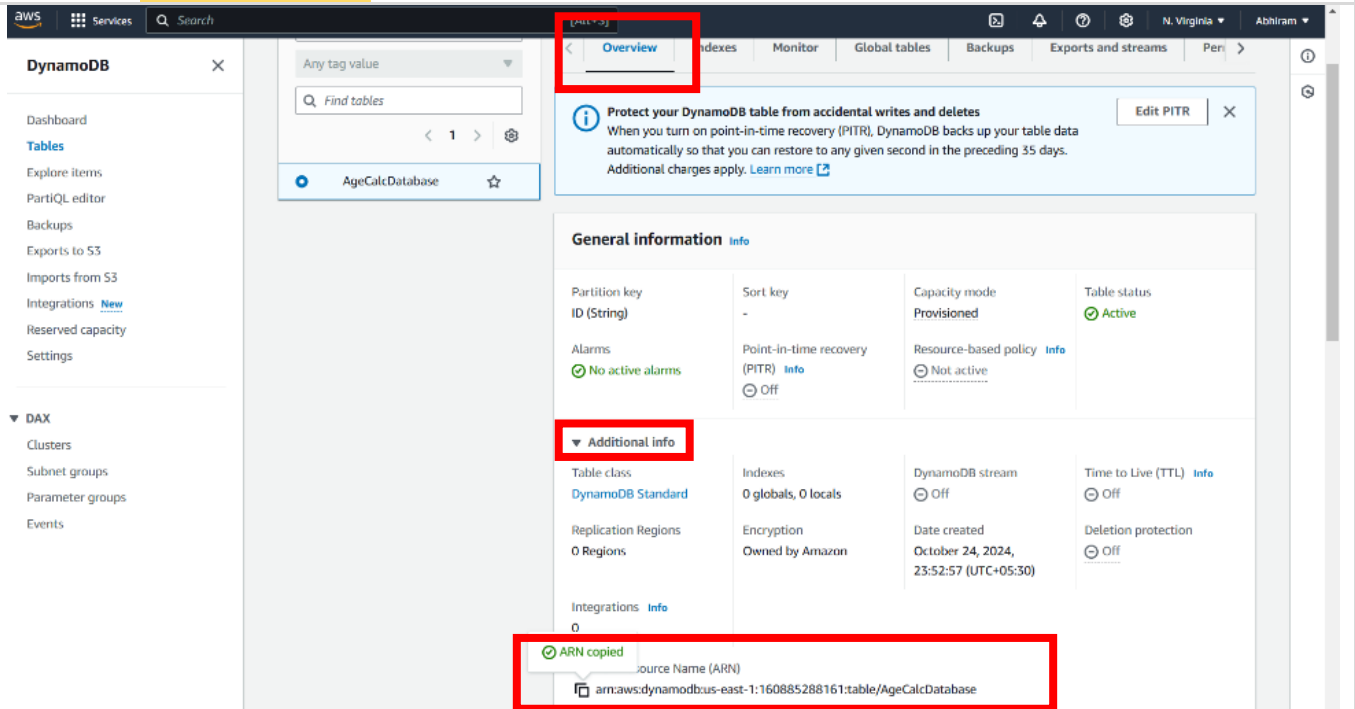
Set ID as the partition key.

Click **Create Table** from the bottom.

A screenshot of the AWS 'Create table' page for DynamoDB. The page is titled 'Create table' and has a breadcrumb 'DynamoDB > Tables > Create table'. The 'Table details' section is highlighted with a red box. It contains the 'Table name' field with the value 'AgeCalcDatabase' and the 'Partition key' field with the value 'ID'. The 'Sort key' is optional and set to 'String'. The 'Table settings' section at the bottom has 'Default settings' selected.

2. Copy the Table ARN:

After the table is created, open it and go to the **Overview** section. click on '**Additional info**' copy the **Amazon Resource Name (ARN)** and save it for later

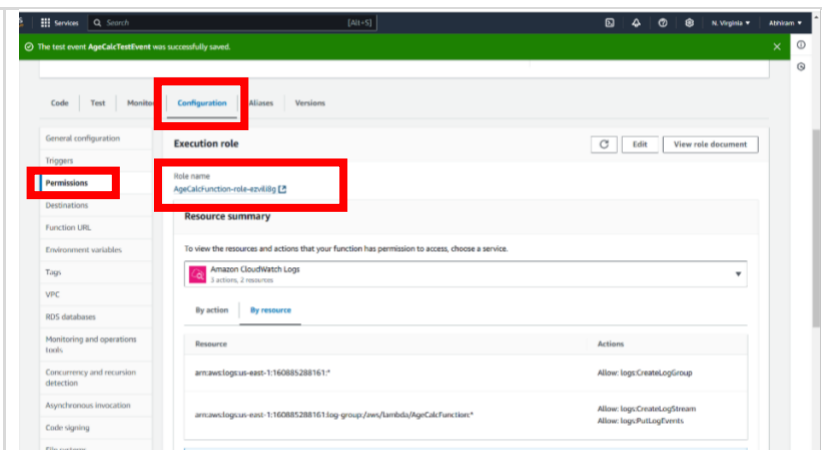


Step 5: Update Lambda Permissions and Code

1. Add DynamoDB Permissions to Lambda:

Go back to the **Lambda** function and navigate to the **Configuration** tab → **Permissions**

Click the **Execution Role** link, which opens in a new tab.



Click **Add Permission**

Select **create inline policy**

Switch to the **JSON** tab and add a new inline policy by pasting the appropriate policy.

Replace <TABLE_ARN> the ARN that we copied before in the code

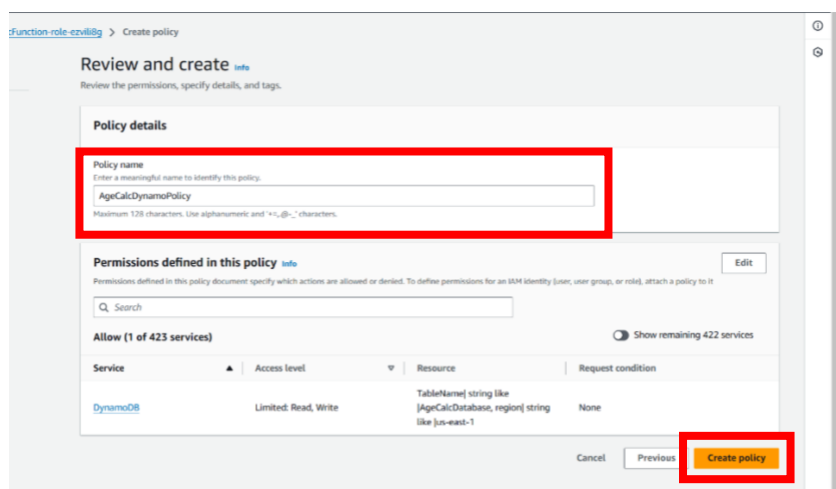
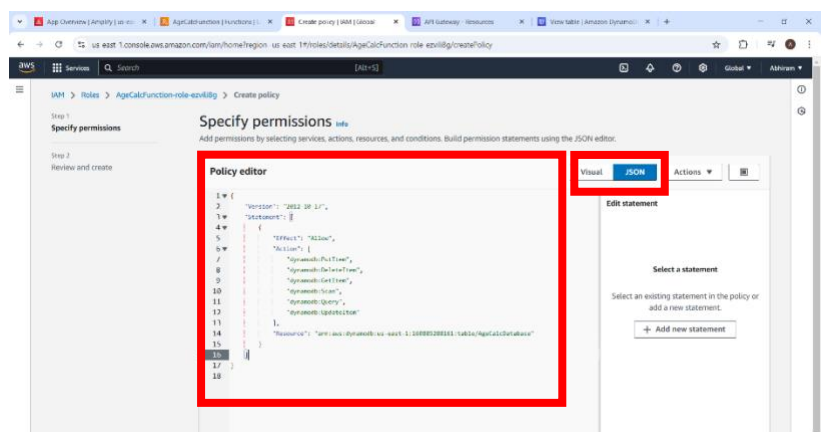
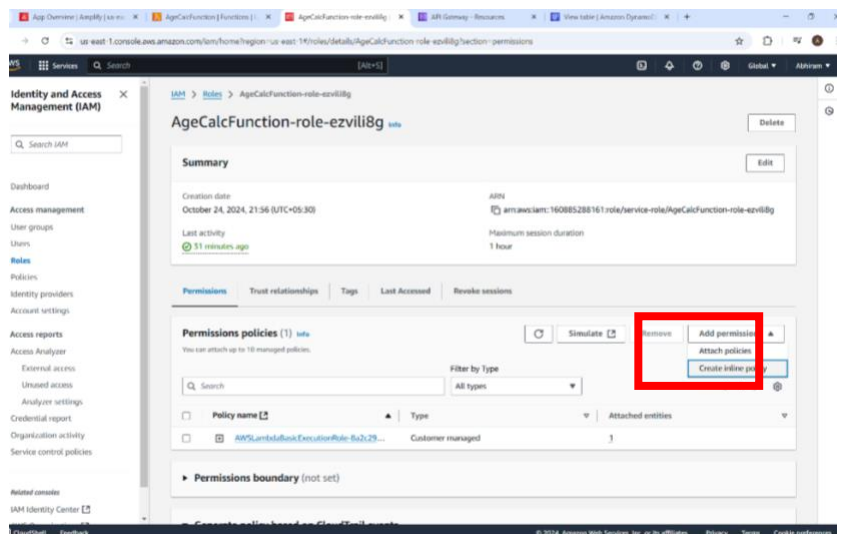
Example inline policy code

```
{
  "Version": "2012-10-17",
  "Statement": [
    {
      "Effect": "Allow",
      "Action": [
        "dynamodb:PutItem",
        "dynamodb:DeleteItem",
        "dynamodb:GetItem",
        "dynamodb:Scan",
        "dynamodb:Query",
        "dynamodb:UpdateItem"
      ],
      "Resource": "<TABLE_ARN>"
    }
  ]
}
```

Name the policy.

eg: AgeCalcDynamicPolicy

Click **Create Policy**.



2. Update the Lambda Function Code:

Modify the Lambda function to write data to DynamoDB

Example Lambda code

```
import json
from datetime import datetime
import boto3

# Initialize DynamoDB resource
dynamodb = boto3.resource('dynamodb')
table = dynamodb.Table('AgeCalcDatabase')

def lambda_handler(event, context):
    # Get the birth year from the event
    birth_year = int(event['birthYear'])

    # Calculate the current year and the age
    current_year = datetime.now().year
    age = current_year - birth_year

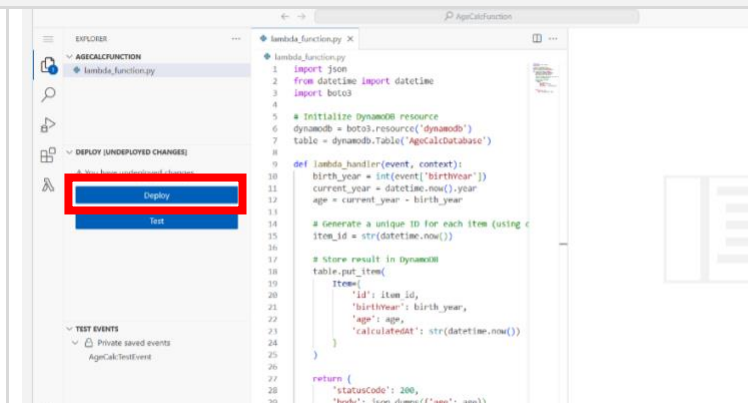
    # Generate a unique ID for each item (use a timestamp to avoid duplicates)
    item_id = str(datetime.now().timestamp())

    # Store the result in DynamoDB
    table.put_item(
        Item={
            'ID': item_id, # Use 'ID' in capital letters to match the partition key in DynamoDB
            'birthYear': birth_year,
            'age': age,
            'calculatedAt': str(datetime.now()) # Store the current timestamp
        }
    )

    # Return the calculated age
    return {
        'statusCode': 200,
        'body': json.dumps({'age': age})
    }
```

Save the changes with **Ctrl + S**

Click **Deploy**



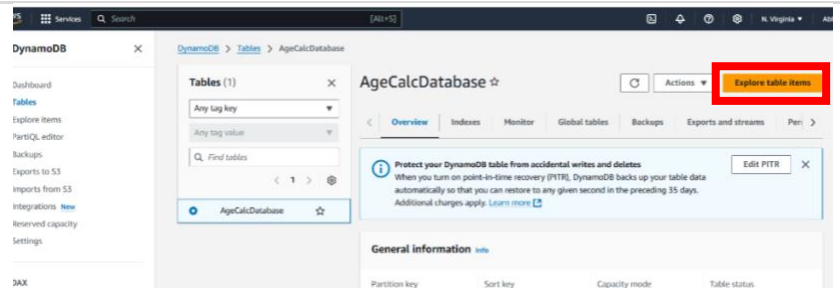
Test the updated function to verify the correct output.

3. Verify Data in DynamoDB:

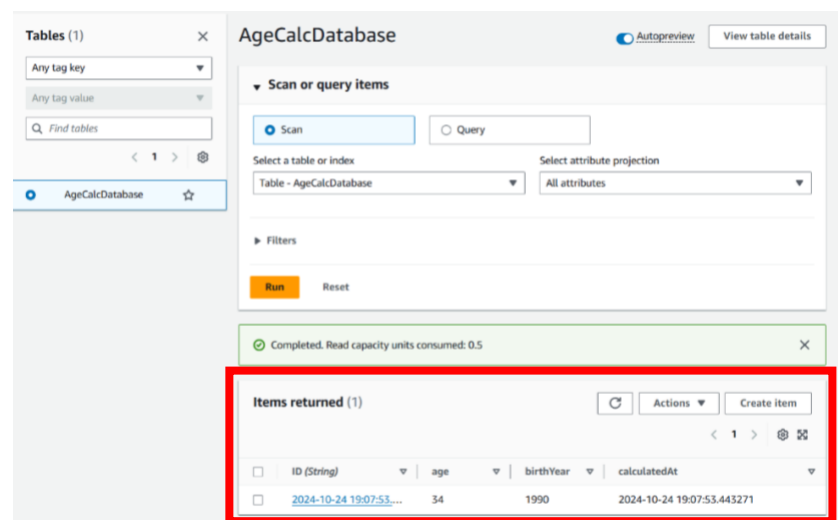
Go to **DynamoDB** tab

Open the **Database Table**

Click **Explore Table Items**



The test results will be stored in the table.



Step 6: Redeploy Updated HTML via Amplify

1. Update the HTML File:

Open the **index.html** file in notepad

Replace **<API_INVOKE_URL>** with the Invoke URL from **API Gateway** (which was copied before)

Example index.html code

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">

<head>
  <meta charset="UTF-8">
  <meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width, initial-scale=1.0">
  <title>Age Calculator</title>
</head>
<body>
  <h1>Age Calculator</h1>
  <form id="ageForm">
    Enter your birth year: <input type="number" id="birthYear" required><br><br>
    <button type="button" onclick="calculateAge()">Calculate Age</button>
  </form>

  <script>
    function calculateAge() {
      let birthYear = document.getElementById("birthYear").value;

      fetch('<API_INVOKE_URL>', {
        method: 'POST',
        body: JSON.stringify({ birthYear: birthYear }),
        headers: {
          'Content-Type': 'application/json'
        }
      })
      .then(response => {
        // Check if the response is okay and parse JSON
        if (!response.ok) {
          throw new Error('Network response was not ok');
        }
        return response.json();
      })
      .then(data => {
        if (data && data.age !== undefined) {
          alert('Your age is: ' + data.age);
        } else {
          alert('Error: Age not calculated');
        }
      })
      .catch(error => {
        console.error('Error:', error);
        alert('Error: Unable to calculate age.');
      });
    }
  </script>

</body>
</html>
```

Save the file and compress this new **index.html** into a **.zip** file

2. Deploy the Updated HTML File:

Go back to the **AWS Amplify** tab and open your app

Click **Deploy Update** and drag the updated .zip file.

Click **Save and Deploy** to publish the changes.

Click the **domain link** to open the website.

