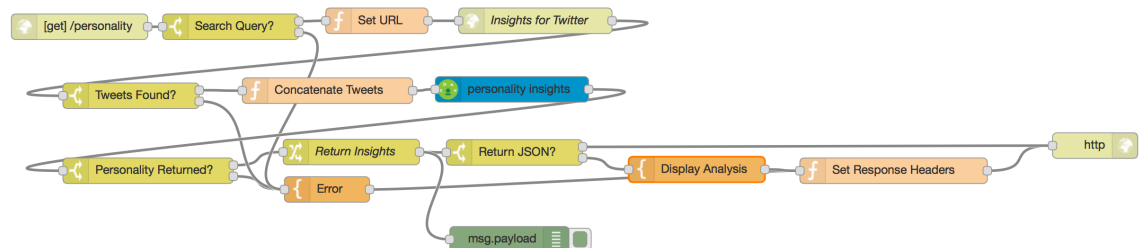


Analyzing Twitter User's Personality in Node-RED

Hands-On Lab

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Search tweets from Twitter and gain insights using IBM Watson's Personality Insights service



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Add Insights for Twitter service in IBM Bluemix

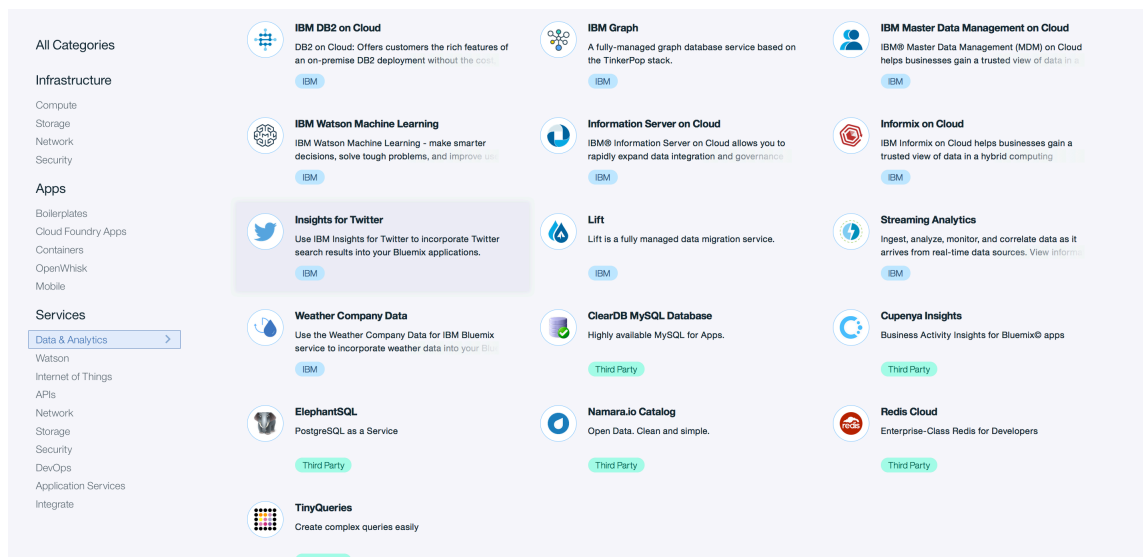
In this lab, we'll create a Node-RED application that searches Twitter for tweets using the Insights for Twitter Bluemix service, and then use the IBM Watson Personality Insights service to gain insight into how and why people think, act, and feel the way they do.

Our first step is to add the Insights for Twitter service and connect it to the Node-RED application.

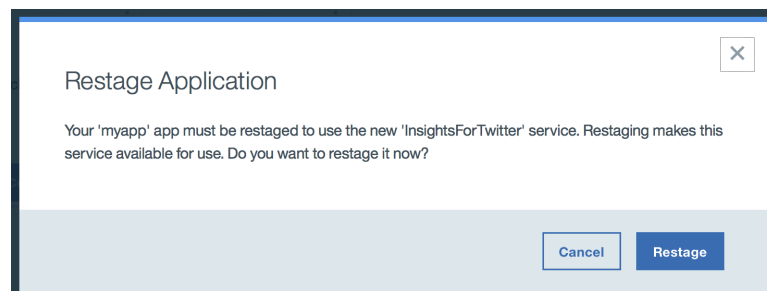
1. Go to the Connections tab under the application overview for your Node-RED application in the IBM Bluemix dashboard and click on **Connect New**.



2. Click on the **Insights for Twitter** tile under the Data & Analytics section. Click on **Create**.



3. IBM Bluemix will prompt to restage the application. Click on **Restage**. The application will restart and include the new service credentials in the environment.



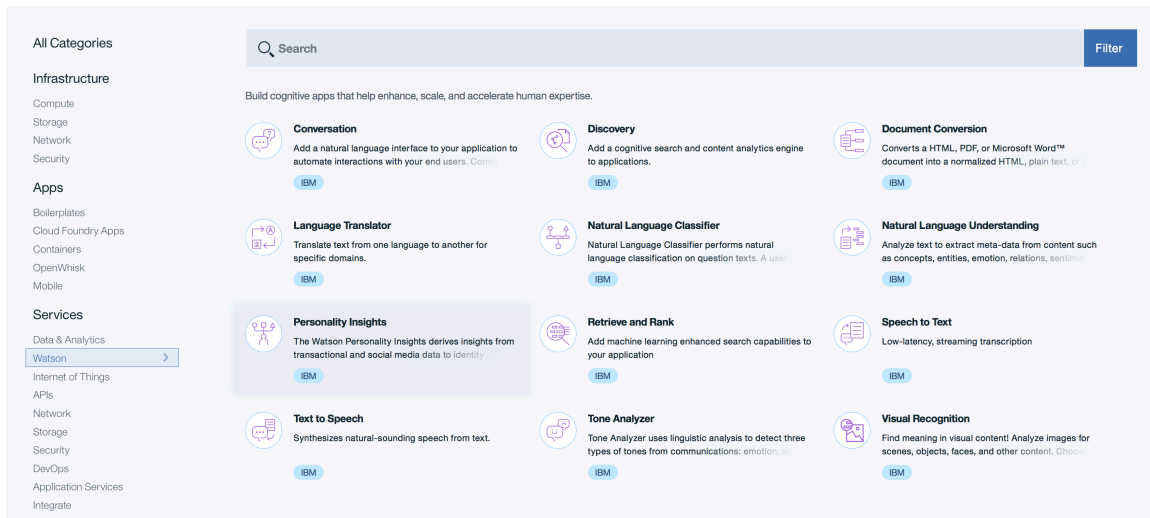
Add Personality Insights service in IBM Bluemix

Next, let's add IBM Watson Personality Insights service and connect it to the Node-RED application.

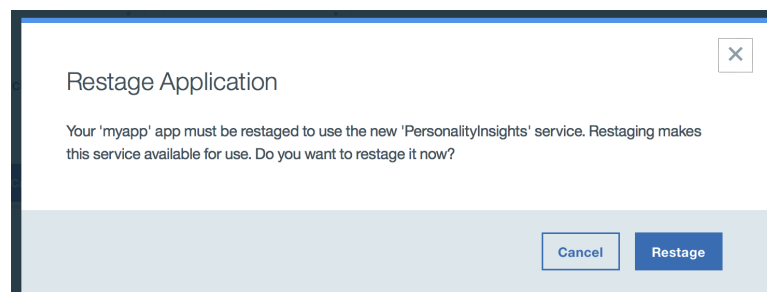
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2. Click on the **Personality Insights** tile under the Watson section. Click on **Create**.



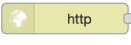
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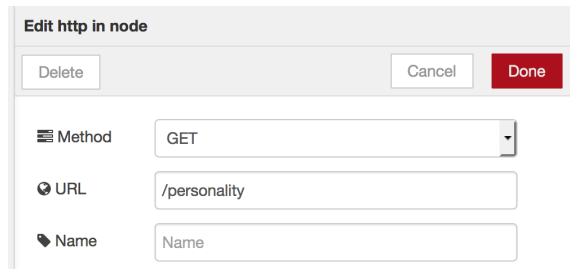


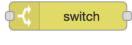
4. When the application has finished restaging, open the Node-RED Flow Editor. If you already have Node-RED open, refresh the page.

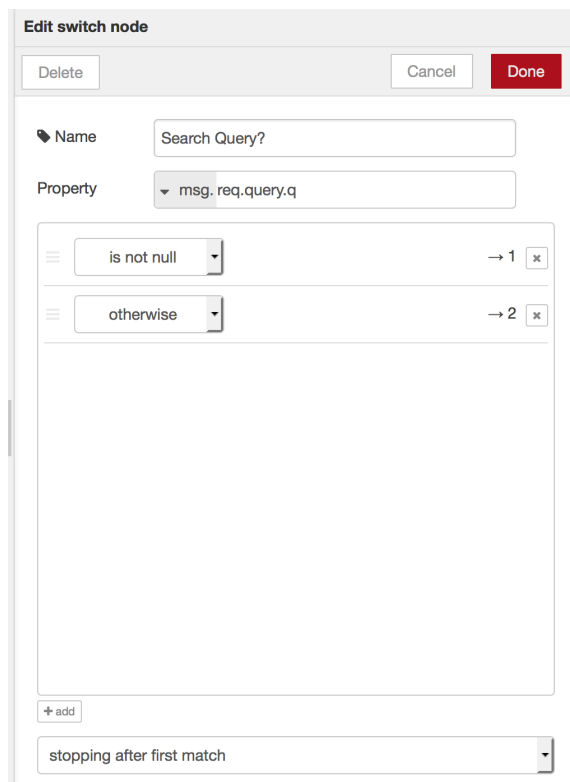
Retrieve and Analyze Tweets

In this section, we will create a web URL endpoint that takes in a search query in the URL; use the Insights for Twitter service to search for tweets matching this criteria; concatenate the matching tweets together; use the IBM Watson Personality Insights service to gain insight into how and why people think, act, and feel the way they do; and then return the results in JSON and HTML formats.

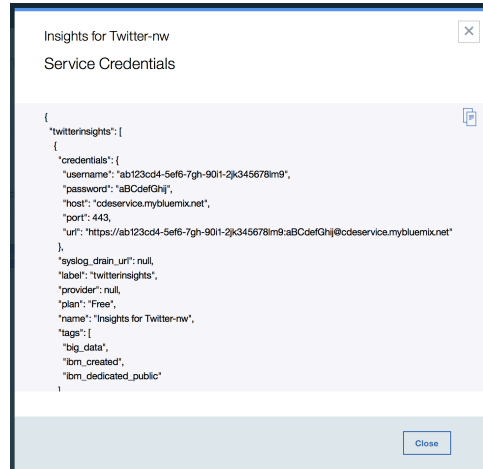
1. Add a  node as shown below to expose a web URL endpoint.




2. Checking for scenarios where errors might happen is a good programming habit to have. We should check whether the query parameter q is passed in. If not, we should display an error message. Add a  node as shown below. We'll connect the second output to an error message later on in step #17.




- Return to the Connections tab in the application overview in the Bluemix console. Under the Insights for Twitter service tile, click on **View Credentials**. Copy the value in the **username** and **password** properties.

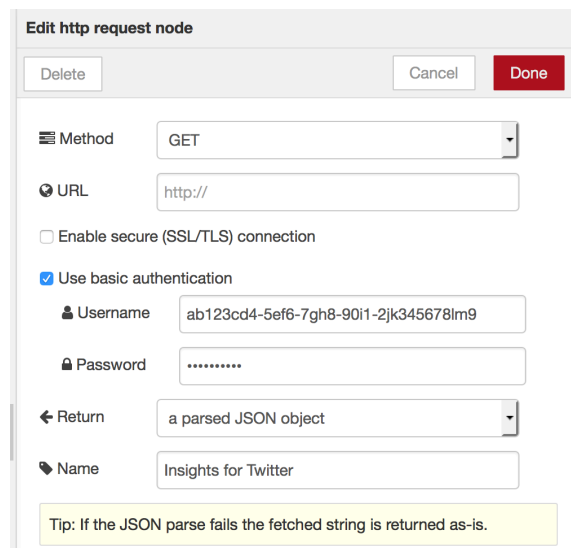


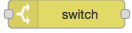
- Add a  **function** node as shown below. This will set the request URL for the HTTP request node in the next step.

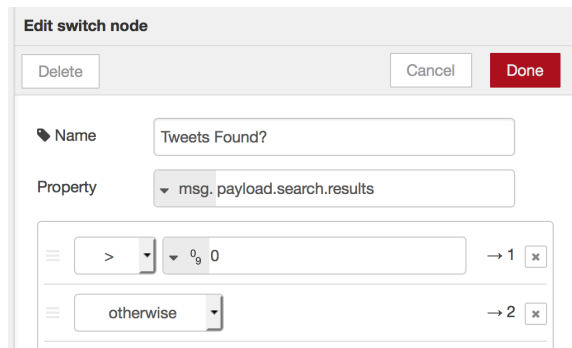



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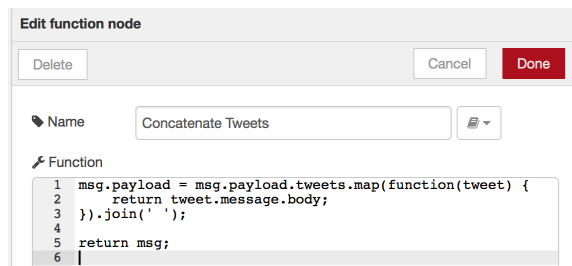
- Add a  **http request** node as shown below. This will make a HTTP request using the URL from the function node and return tweets that match the search criteria in *msg.payload*. Use the username and password values from step #3, and change the return value to return a parsed JSON object.




6. What happens if there are no tweets found? Add a  node as shown below to check for this scenario. This switch node tests the number of results. If the number of tweets is greater than 0, we'll continue processing normally. Otherwise, we'll proceed to show an error message. We'll connect the second output to an error message later on in step #17.

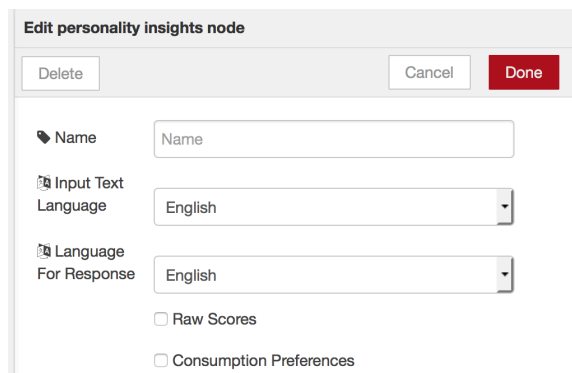


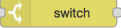
7. Now that we have an array of tweets, we will concatenate the tweets together so that the IBM Watson Personality Insights service can analyze this content. Add a  node as shown below.

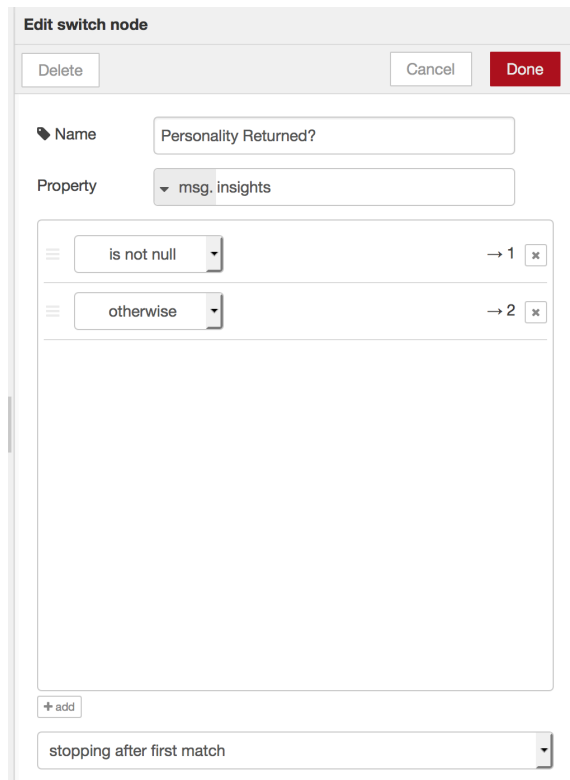


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8. Add a  node as shown below. Because we added the IBM Watson Personality Insights service to our application, the credentials will be automatically read from the environment and used by the node. The IBM Watson Personality Insights service can analyze content in English or Spanish. Select English.



9. The IBM Watson Personality Insights service requires a minimum of a hundred words for a basic analysis. For statistically significant results, you need at least 3500 words and ideally 6000 words. Add a  node as shown below to check if a result is returned and proceed with the flow. Otherwise, we'll proceed to show an error message. We'll connect the second output to an error message later on in step #17.



Edit switch node

Delete Cancel Done

Name Personality Returned?

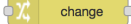
Property msg.insights

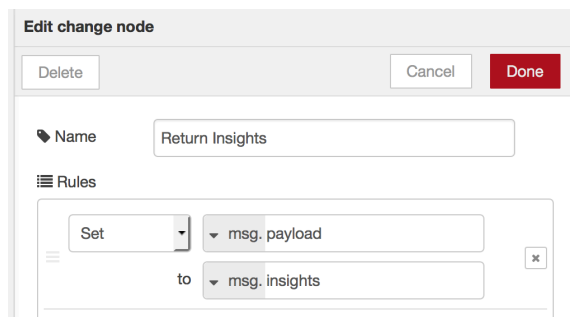
is not null → 1

otherwise → 2

+ add

stopping after first match

10. The results from the IBM Watson Personality Insights node will reside in the *msg.insights*. Add a  node to move the results to *msg.payload* as shown below.



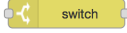
Edit change node

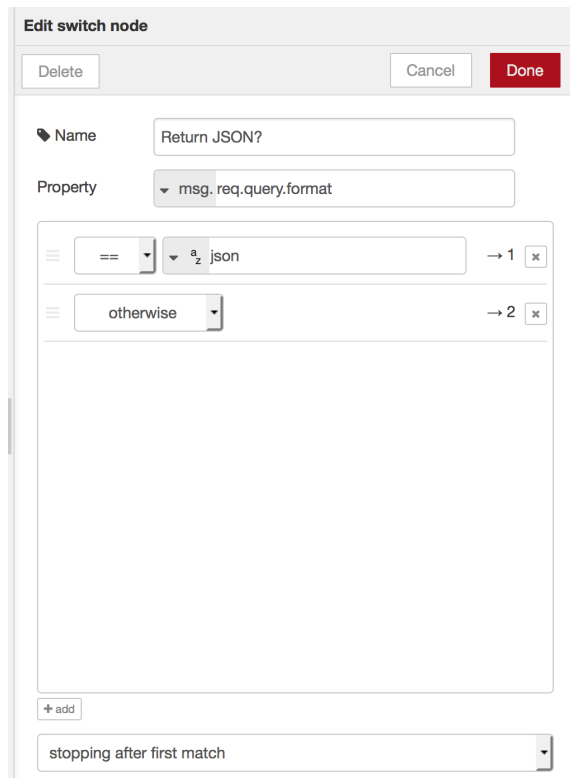
Delete Cancel Done

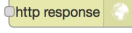
Name Return Insights

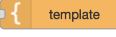
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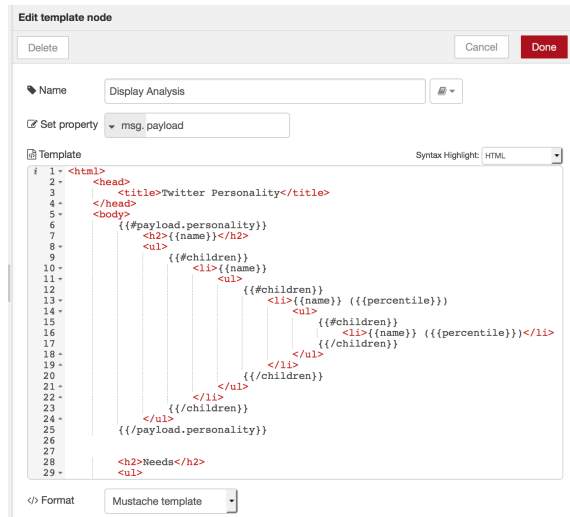
Set msg.payload to msg.insights

11. To make this application versatile, we'll split the flow so our application can return the results in two formats. The first option will be where the results are returned in JSON format, great for use in applications that can call the web endpoint and consume the JSON. The second option will be a webpage showing the results in a human readable report. Add a  node as shown below.



12. For the flow where the JSON should be returned, we can simply return the contents of *msg.payload*. Add a  to complete the flow.


13. For the flow where a webpage should be returned, we need to compose the HTML with the results. Add a  node with the HTML in the file named 3-display-analysis.html. This HTML will display the results in a human readable format when viewed in a web browser.

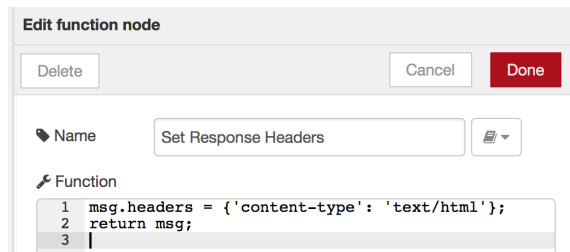


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1 <html>
2 <head>
3 <title>Twitter Personality</title>
4 </head>
5 <body>
6 <h2>{{payload.personality}}</h2>
7 <ul>
8 <li>{{#children}}
9 <ul>
10 <li>{{name}}
11 <ul>
12 <li>{{#children}}
13 <li>{{name}} ({{percentile}})
14 <ul>
15 <li>{{#children}}
16 <li>{{name}} ({{percentile}})</li>
17 </li>
18 </ul>
19 </li>
20 </ul>
21 </li>
22 </ul>
23 </li>
24 </ul>
25 </body>
26 </html>
27
28 <h2>Needs</h2>
29 <ul>
```

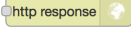
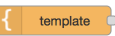


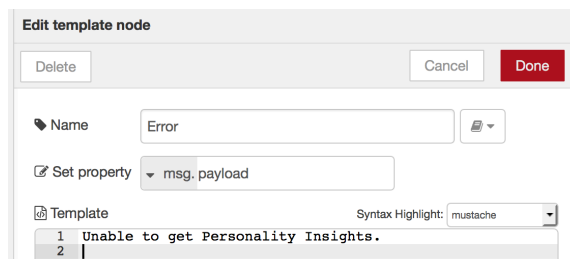
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14. Add a  node to change the content-type as shown below. This will inform the browser to return the content as a webpage.




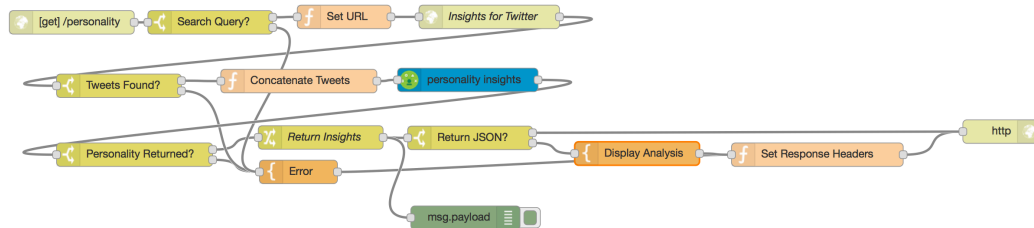
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1 msg.headers = {'content-type': 'text/html'};
2 return msg;
3
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15. Connect this node to the  node added in step #12.
16. The last step is to add a  node with the error message shown below.




```
1 Unable to get Personality Insights.
2
```

17. Connect to the input of this node from the switch nodes that we created in steps #2, #6, and #9. Connect the output of this node to the  node added in step #12. The completed flow is shown below.



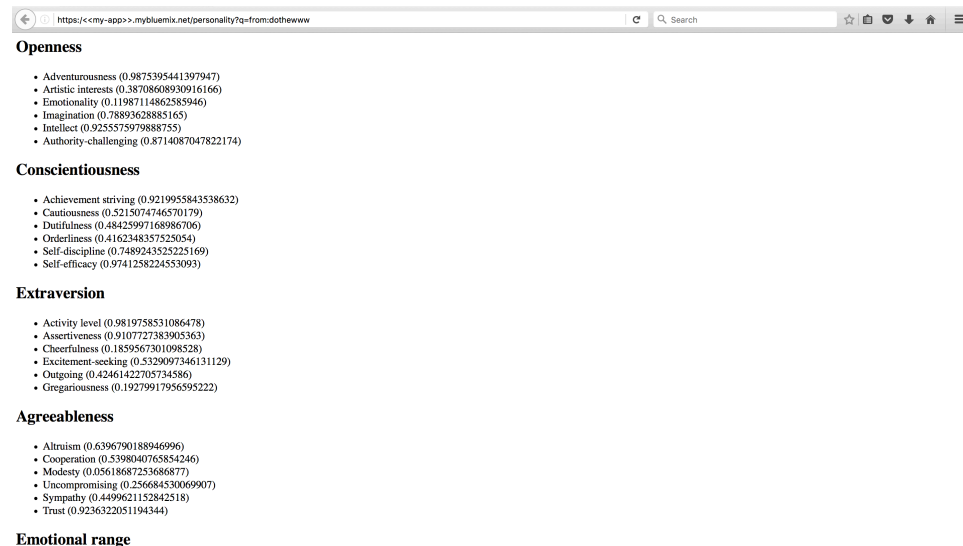
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18. Click on the red  button in the upper-right corner of the screen to save and deploy your changes.
19. Congratulations! You've completed the programming part of this lab. Now let's analyze a user's tweets. Copy the following URL into a browser's address bar.

```
http://<<MY-APP>>.mybluemix.net/personality?q=from:<<USERNAME>>
```

- Replace `<<MY-APP>>` with the host of the Node-RED application you chose.
- Replace `<<USERNAME>>` with the Twitter user (with a sufficient number of tweets) to analyze

20. Depending on the tweets from the user you choose to analyze, you'll see the individuals' intrinsic personality characteristics, including Big Five, Needs and Values inferred from the tweets.



The screenshot shows a web browser displaying the results of a personality analysis. The URL in the address bar is `https://<my-app>.mybluemix.net/personality?q=from:dothewww`. The results are organized into five categories, each with a list of traits and their corresponding scores:

- Openness**
 - Adventurousness (0.9875395441397947)
 - Artistic interests (0.38708608930916166)
 - Emotionality (0.11987114862585946)
 - Imagination (0.78893628885165)
 - Intellect (0.9255575979888755)
 - Authority-challenging (0.8714087047822174)
- Conscientiousness**
 - Achievement striving (0.9219955843338632)
 - Cautiousness (0.5215074746570179)
 - Dutifulness (0.48425997168986706)
 - Orderliness (0.4162348357525054)
 - Self-discipline (0.74892435225169)
 - Self-efficacy (0.9741258224553093)
- Extraversion**
 - Activity level (0.9819758531086478)
 - Assertiveness (0.9107727383905363)
 - Cheerfulness (0.1859567301098528)
 - Excitement-seeking (0.5329097346131129)
 - Outgoing (0.42461422705734586)
 - Gregariousness (0.19279917956595222)
- Agreeableness**
 - Altruism (0.6396790188946996)
 - Cooperation (0.5398040765854246)
 - Modesty (0.05618687253686877)
 - Uncompromising (0.256684530069907)
 - Sympathy (0.4499621152842518)
 - Trust (0.9236322051194344)
- Emotional range**

21. To see the JSON representation of the results, insert *format=json* in the URL query string:

<http://<<MY-APP>>.mybluemix.net/personality?format=json&q=from:<<USERNAME>>>



22. You can also modify the query parameter *q* to search for a search term instead of tweets by a specific user. Use the respective URLs:

<http://<<MY-APP>>.mybluemix.net/personality?q=<<SEARCH-TERM>>>

<http://<<MY-APP>>.mybluemix.net/personality?format=json&q=<<SEARCH-TERM>>>