**Week 4 – Spring Boot REST API: Country Web Service**

**Objective:**

Enhance the Spring Boot project (spring-learn) created earlier to include simple REST endpoints that return both a static message and country data using Spring Web.

**Task 1: Hello World Endpoint**

**Goal:** Create a basic REST controller that responds with "Hello World!!" when accessed via a browser or Postman.

**Implementation:**

* **Endpoint**: /hello
* **HTTP Method**: GET
* **Response**: "Hello World!!"

java

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package com.cognizant.springlearn.controller;

import org.slf4j.Logger;

import org.slf4j.LoggerFactory;

import org.springframework.web.bind.annotation.\*;

@RestController

public class HelloController {

private static final Logger LOGGER = LoggerFactory.getLogger(HelloController.class);

@GetMapping("/hello")

public String sayHello() {

LOGGER.info("START - sayHello()");

String response = "Hello World!!";

LOGGER.info("END - sayHello()");

return response;

}

}

SME Walkthrough:

* Use **DevTools → Network Tab** to inspect HTTP headers
* In **Postman**, click on the **"Headers" tab** to view request/response metadata

**Task 2: Serve Country Object**

**Goal**: Use Spring to return a Country object via REST API using configuration from country.xml.

**country.xml (Place in src/main/resources/):**

xml

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<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>

<beans xmlns="http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans"

xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"

xsi:schemaLocation="

http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans

http://www.springframework.org/schema/beans/spring-beans.xsd">

<bean id="country" class="com.cognizant.springlearn.Country">

<property name="code" value="IN"/>

<property name="name" value="India"/>

</bean>

<bean id="countryList" class="java.util.ArrayList">

<constructor-arg>

<list>

<bean class="com.cognizant.springlearn.Country">

<property name="code" value="IN"/>

<property name="name" value="India"/>

</bean>

<bean class="com.cognizant.springlearn.Country">

<property name="code" value="US"/>

<property name="name" value="United States"/>

</bean>

<bean class="com.cognizant.springlearn.Country">

<property name="code" value="CN"/>

<property name="name" value="China"/>

</bean>

</list>

</constructor-arg>

</bean>

</beans>

**Country.java (Model Class)**

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package com.cognizant.springlearn;

public class Country {

private String code;

private String name;

public Country() {}

public String getCode() {

return code;

}

public void setCode(String code) {

this.code = code;

}

public String getName() {

return name;

}

public void setName(String name) {

this.name = name;

}

}

**CountryService.java – Business Logic Layer**

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package com.cognizant.springlearn.service;

import com.cognizant.springlearn.Country;

import org.springframework.context.ApplicationContext;

import org.springframework.context.support.ClassPathXmlApplicationContext;

import org.springframework.stereotype.Service;

import java.util.List;

@Service

public class CountryService {

public Country getCountry(String code) {

ApplicationContext context = new ClassPathXmlApplicationContext("country.xml");

List<Country> countryList = (List<Country>) context.getBean("countryList");

return countryList.stream()

.filter(c -> c.getCode().equalsIgnoreCase(code))

.findFirst()

.orElse(null); // You can replace with custom CountryNotFoundException

}

}

**CountryController.java – REST Layer**

java

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package com.cognizant.springlearn.controller;

import com.cognizant.springlearn.Country;

import com.cognizant.springlearn.service.CountryService;

import org.slf4j.Logger;

import org.slf4j.LoggerFactory;

import org.springframework.beans.factory.annotation.Autowired;

import org.springframework.web.bind.annotation.\*;

@RestController

public class CountryController {

private static final Logger LOGGER = LoggerFactory.getLogger(CountryController.class);

@Autowired

private CountryService countryService;

@GetMapping("/countries/{code}")

public Country getCountry(@PathVariable String code) {

LOGGER.info("START - getCountry() with code: {}", code);

Country result = countryService.getCountry(code);

LOGGER.info("END - getCountry()");

return result;

}

}

**SpringLearnApplication.java**

java

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package com.cognizant.springlearn;

import org.springframework.boot.SpringApplication;

import org.springframework.boot.autoconfigure.SpringBootApplication;

@SpringBootApplication

public class SpringLearnApplication {

public static void main(String[] args) {

SpringApplication.run(SpringLearnApplication.class, args);

}

}