

Backend 2.2_CW Exercises

variations of GET requests

ex01: creating a basic GET request to return JSON data

Let's start by creating a basic GET request that returns JSON data of cars from our inventory.

1. Define Cars Data:

Create an array of car objects in your `index.js` file.

```
const cars = [  
  { id: 1, make: 'Toyota', model: 'Camry', year: 2022 },  
  { id: 2, make: 'Honda', model: 'Civic', year: 2021 },  
  { id: 3, make: 'Ford', model: 'Mustang', year: 2022 },  
  { id: 4, make: 'Chevrolet', model: 'Corvette', year: 2023 },  
  { id: 5, make: 'Tesla', model: 'Model 3', year: 2021 },  
  { id: 6, make: 'Nissan', model: 'Altima', year: 2022 },  
  { id: 7, make: 'BMW', model: 'X5', year: 2023 },  
  { id: 8, make: 'Mercedes-Benz', model: 'C-Class', year: 2021 },  
  { id: 9, make: 'Audi', model: 'A4', year: 2022 },  
  { id: 10, make: 'Lexus', model: 'RX', year: 2023 },  
  { id: 11, make: 'Hyundai', model: 'Tucson', year: 2021 },  
  { id: 12, make: 'Kia', model: 'Seltos', year: 2022 },  
  { id: 13, make: 'Mazda', model: 'CX-5', year: 2023 },  
  { id: 14, make: 'Subaru', model: 'Outback', year: 2021 },  
  { id: 15, make: 'Volkswagen', model: 'Golf', year: 2022 },  
]
```

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2. Create GET Route for All Cars:

Define a GET route at `/cars` that sends back the JSON data of all cars.

Syntax:

```
app.get('<your-route>', (req, res) => {  
  **res.json**(<data>); // variable, object, array  
});
```

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solution

```
app.get('/cars', (req, res) => {  
  res.json(cars)  
})
```

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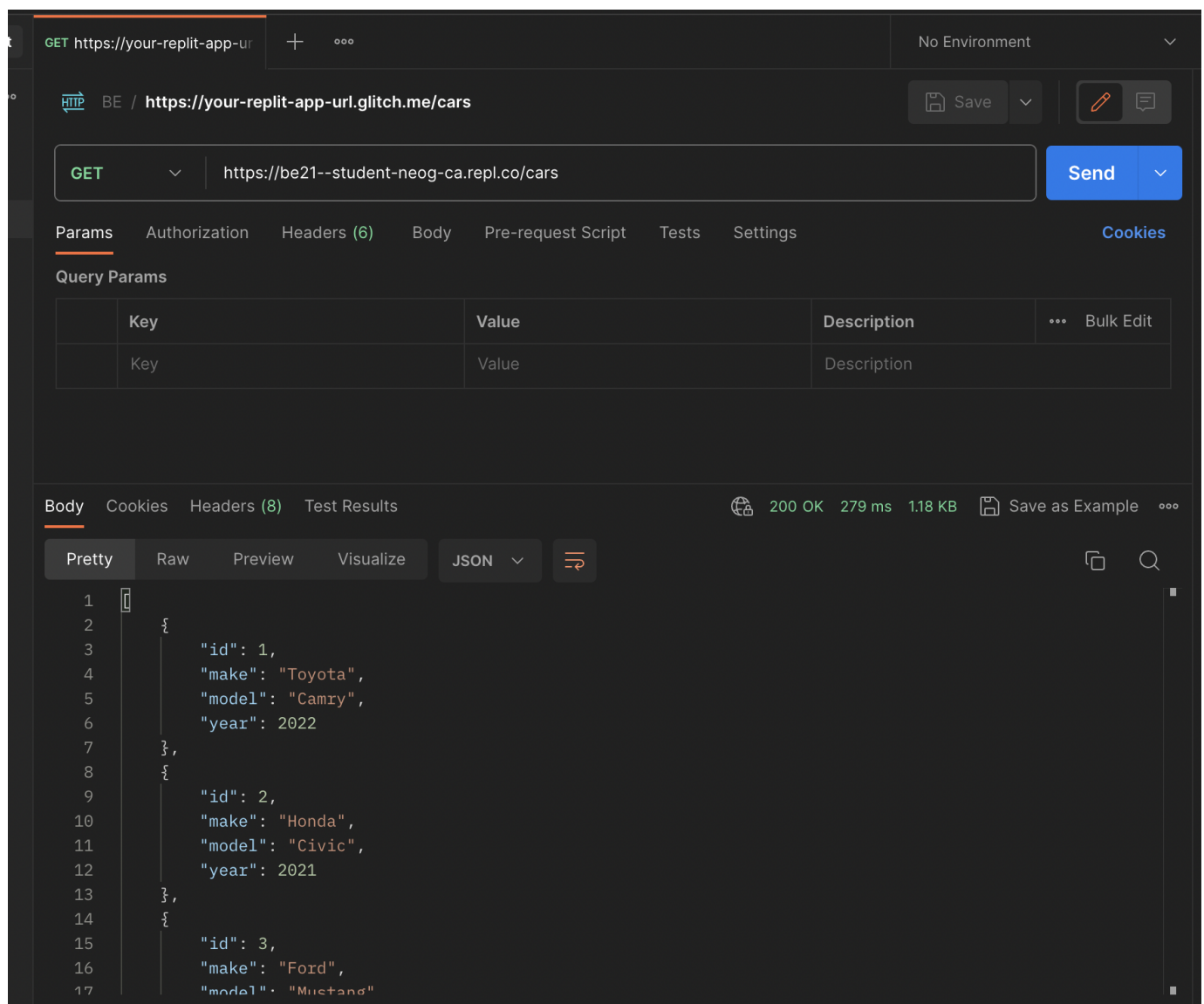
3. Testing

Test in Postman:

You need to restart your server.

Use Postman to make a GET request to `https://your-replit-app-url.glitch.me/cars` and observe the JSON response.

solution



ex02: using query parameters in a GET request

In this exercise, we'll enhance our GET request by allowing users to filter cars based on query parameters.

challenge

Modify GET Route for Cars: Update the `/cars` route to handle query parameters.

Syntax:

```
app.get('/cars', (req, res) => {  
  const { make, model } = req.query; // you can access the query data like this  
  
  // your code here...  
})
```

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```
app.get('/cars', (req, res) => {  
  const { make, model } = req.query  
  let filteredCars = cars  
  
  if (make) {  
    filteredCars = filteredCars.filter(  
      (car) => car.make.toLowerCase() === make.toLowerCase(),  
    )  
  }  
  if (model) {  
    filteredCars = filteredCars.filter(  
      (car) => car.model.toLowerCase() === model.toLowerCase(),  
    )  
  }  
  
  res.json(filteredCars)  
})
```

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Test with Query Parameters: You need to restart your server.

In Postman, make GET requests

like `https://your-replit-app-url.glitch.me/cars?make=Toyota` Or

`https://your-replit-app-url.glitch.me/cars?model=Civic` to see filtered results.

solution

GET https://your-replit-app-url.glitch.me/cars

Params • Authorization Headers (6) Body Pre-request Script Tests Settings Cookies

Query Params

	Key	Value	Description	...	Bulk Edit
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	make	Toyota			
	Key	Value	Description		

Body Cookies Headers (8) Test Results 200 OK 373 ms 455 B Save as Example

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```
1 {
2   "id": 1,
3   "make": "Toyota",
4   "model": "Camry",
5   "year": 2022
6 }
```

ex03: using route parameters in a GET request

Let's now explore using route parameters to retrieve a specific car by its ID.

challenge

Create GET Route for Single Car: Define a GET route at `/cars/:id` to retrieve a car by its ID.

Syntax:

```
app.get('/cars/:id', (req, res) => {
  // You can retrieve the car id with the help of req.params
  const carId = parseInt(req.params.id)
  const { id } = req.params;

  // .. your code here
})
```

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- solution

```
app.get('/cars/:id', (req, res) => {
  const carId = parseInt(req.params.id)
  const car = cars.find((car) => car.id === carId)

  if (car) {
    res.json(car)
  } else {
    res.status(404).json({ error: 'Car not found' })
  }
})
```

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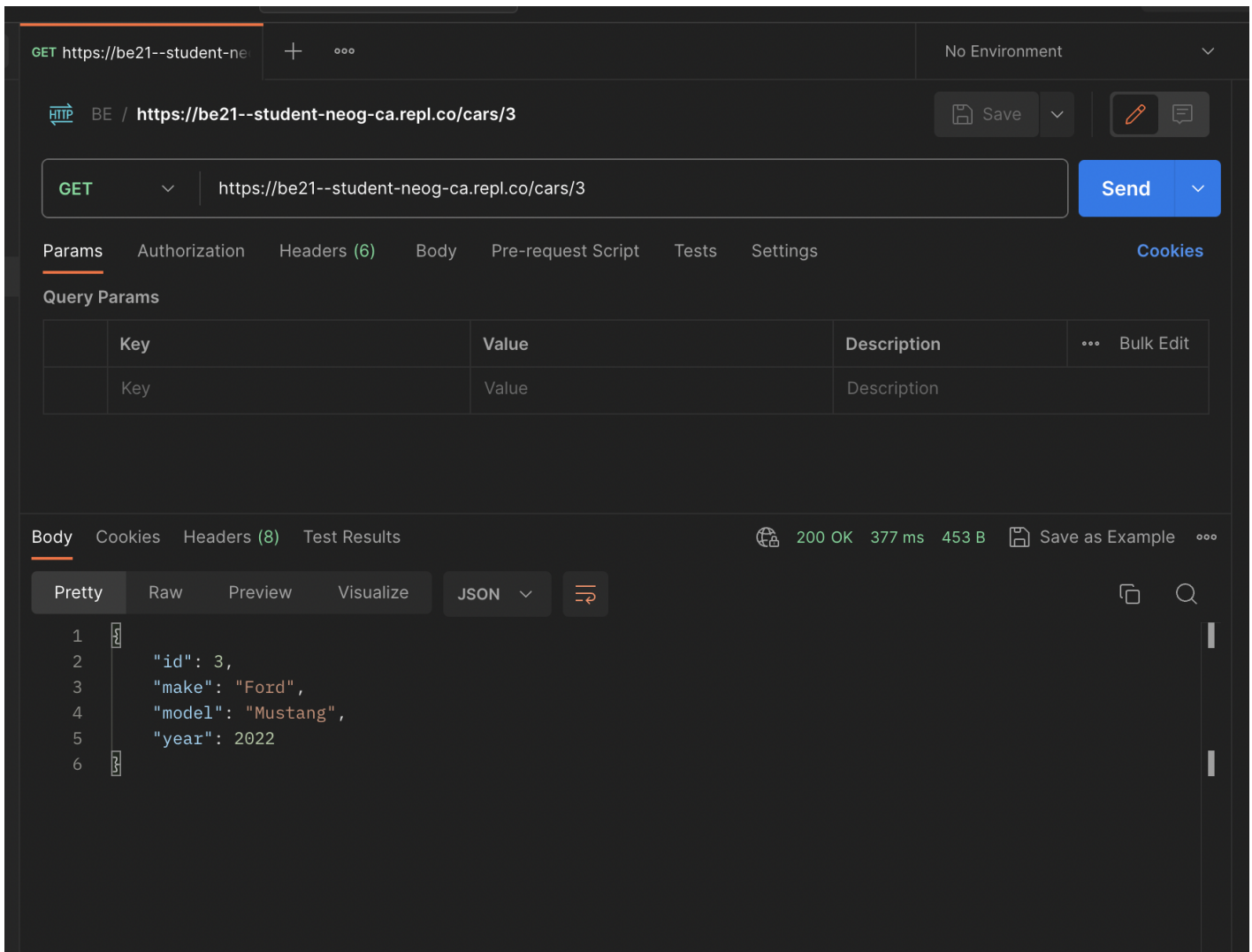
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Test with Route Parameters:

Make sure to restart your server.

In Postman, make GET requests like `https://your-replit-app-url.glitch.me/cars/3` to retrieve a car by ID.

solution



ex04: using multiple route parameters in a GET request

Now, let's extend our knowledge by using multiple route parameters to retrieve cars based on make and model.

challenge

Create GET Route with Multiple Parameters:

Define a GET route at `/cars/:make/:model` to retrieve cars based on both make and model.

solution

```
app.get('/cars/:make/:model', (req, res) => {
  const make = req.params.make.toLowerCase()
  const model = req.params.model.toLowerCase()
  const filteredCars = cars.filter(
    (car) =>
      car.make.toLowerCase() === make && car.model.toLowerCase() === model,
```

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)  
res.json(filteredCars)  
})
```

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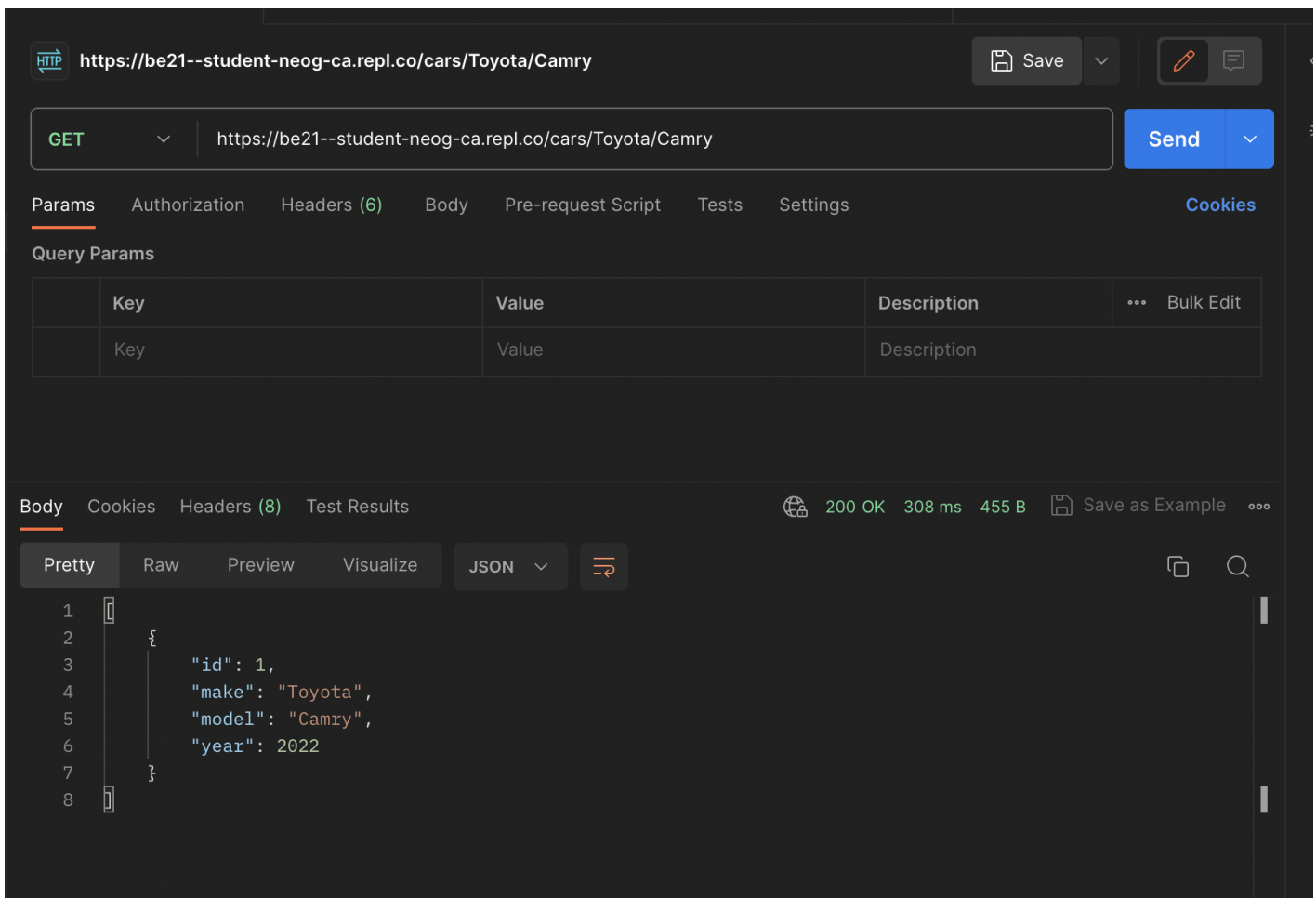
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Test with Multiple Route Parameters:

In Postman, make GET requests

like `https://your-replit-app-url.glitch.me/cars/Toyota/Camry` to retrieve cars by make and model.

solution



ex05: using headers in a GET request

In this final exercise, let's explore how to use headers to request specific data.

challenge

Create GET Route with Headers:

Define a GET route at `/cars/featured` that returns featured cars (which have year 2022 and above) based on a custom header.

🚩 Make sure you place this request before `/cars/:id` route.

```
/cars --> 1
/cars/:id ---> 2 dynamic
/cars/featured --> 3 static // wrong and that's why you will not reach here
```

```
yourserver.com/cars // 1
```

```
yourserver.com/cars/1 // 2
```

```
yourserver.com/cars/tanay // 2
yourserver.com/cars/featured
```

Place our routes from specific to generic
or, static routes before dynamic ones

`/cars/all` before 1, after 1, after 2, after 3

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solution

```
app.get('/cars/featured', (req, res) => {
  const isFeaturedRequest = req.header('x-featured-request')

  if (isFeaturedRequest === 'true') {
    const featuredCars = cars.filter((car) => car.year >= 2022)
    res.json(featuredCars)
  } else {
    res.status(400).json({ error: 'Invalid request' })
  }
})
```

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Test with Headers: In Postman, make a GET request
to `https://your-replit-app-url.glitch.me/cars/featured` and set the
header `x-featured-request` to true to see featured cars.

solution

GET https://be21--student-neog-ca.repl.co/cars/featured

Headers (7)

Key	Value	Description
x-featured-request	true	

Body

```
{
  "id": 1,
  "make": "Toyota",
  "model": "Camry",
  "year": 2022
},
{
  "id": 3,
  "make": "Ford",
  "model": "Mustang",
  "year": 2022
},
{
  "id": 4,
  "make": "Chevrolet",
  "model": "Corvette"
}
```

ex06: implementing 404 error handling with query parameters

In this exercise, we'll enhance our knowledge by implementing error handling when a car with specific query parameters is not found.

challenge

Modify GET Route for Cars: Update the `/cars` route to handle query parameters.

solution

```
app.get('/cars', (req, res) => {
  const { make, model } = req.query
  let filteredCars = cars

  if (make) {
    filteredCars = filteredCars.filter(
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      (car) => car.make.toLowerCase() === make.toLowerCase(),
    )
  }
  if (model) {
    filteredCars = filteredCars.filter(
      (car) => car.model.toLowerCase() === model.toLowerCase(),
    )
  }

  if (filteredCars.length === 0) {
    res.status(404).json({ error: 'No cars matching the query parameters' })
  } else {
    res.json(filteredCars)
  }
})
```

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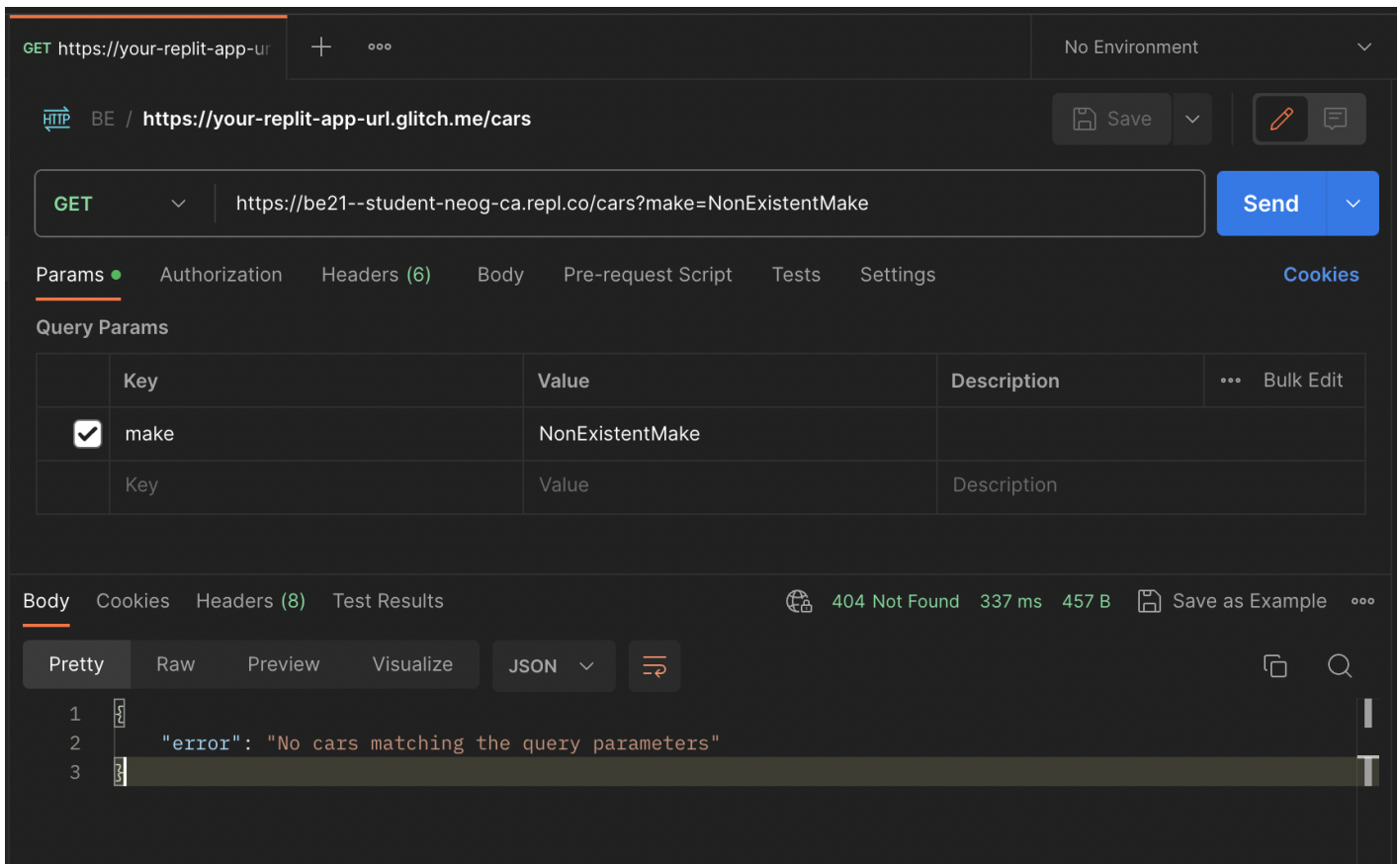
Test 404 Error Handling:

In Postman, make a GET request like <https://your-replit-app-url.glitch.me/cars?make=Ford> to see cars matching the query parameters.

Then, try querying for a non-existent make

like <https://your-replit-app-url.glitch.me/cars?make=NonExistentMake> to observe the 404 error response.

solution



ex07: implementing 404 error handling with route parameters

Now, let's extend our error handling knowledge to route parameters.

challenge

Create GET Route for Single Car: Define a GET route at `/cars/:id` to retrieve a car by its ID.

solution

```
app.get('/cars/:id', (req, res) => {
  const carId = parseInt(req.params.id)
  const car = cars.find((car) => car.id === carId)

  if (car) {
    res.json(car)
  } else {
    res.status(404).json({ error: 'Car not found' })
  }
})
```

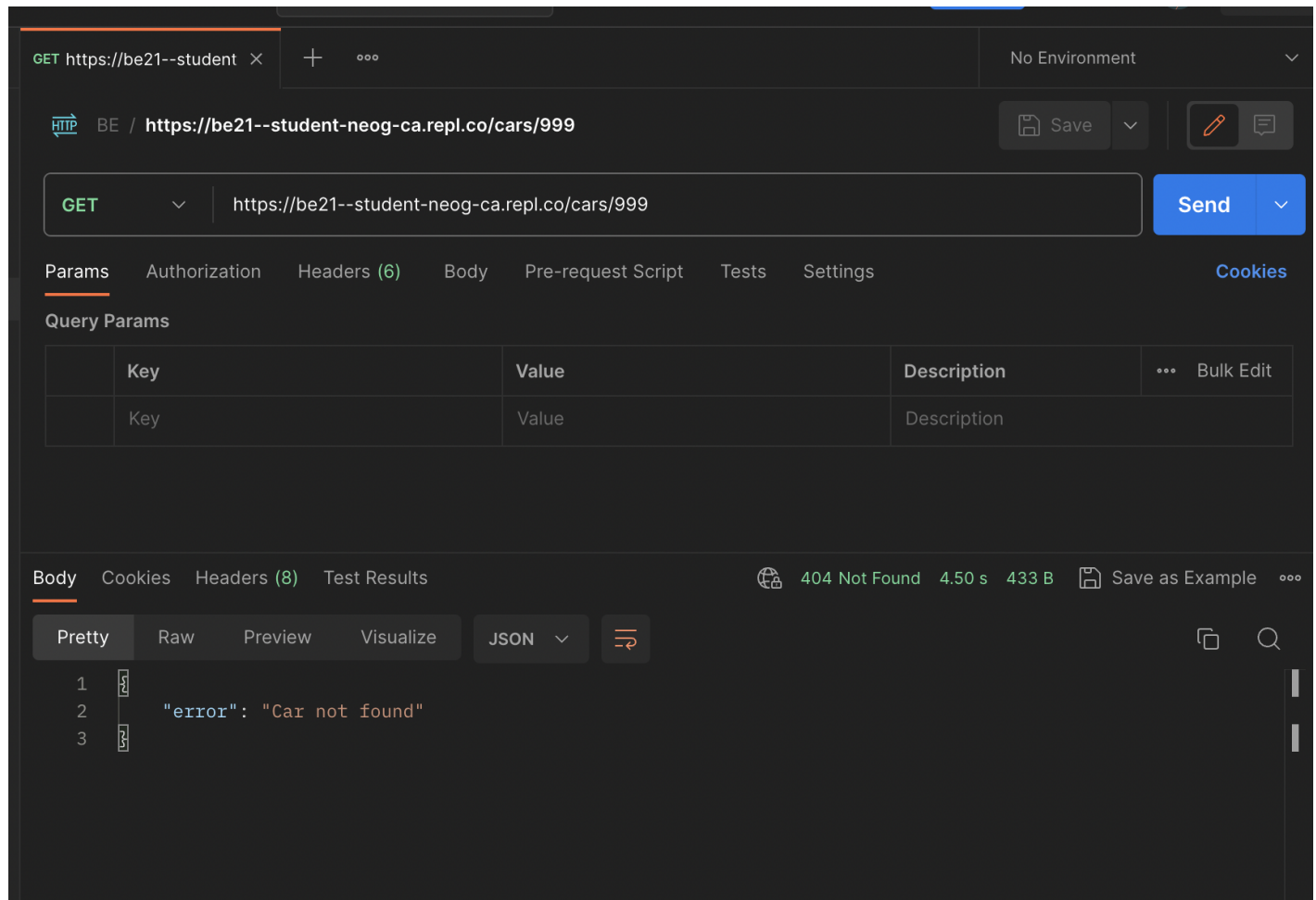
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Test 404 Error Handling: In Postman, make GET requests

like `https://your-replit-app-url.glitch.me/cars/1` to retrieve a car by ID. Then, try querying for a non-existent ID like `https://your-replit-app-url.glitch.me/cars/999` to observe the 404 error response.

solution



final solution

<https://replit.com/@tanaypratap/BE22CW>