# JSON-LD

JSON for the Social Web

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# Introducing JSON-LD

@graph

@context

@id

JSON-based syntax to express linked data

@language

@value

@list

@type

@set

# Language Principles

- Make full use of JSON syntactic representations
  - Object defines a node definition

Define referenced node definition with chaining

```
"@context": "http://json-ld.org/contexts/person",
"@id": "http://greggkellogg.net/foaf#me",
"@type": "Person",
"name": "Gregg Kellogg",
"knows": "http://www.markus-lanthaler.com/"
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# Language Principles

- Define terms to use short property names
- Associate types for property values

```
{
   "@context": {
   "@vocab": "http://schema.org/",
     "knows": {"@type": "@id"},
     "id": "@id",
     "type": "@type"
   }
}
```

```
"@id": "http://greggkellogg.net/foaf#me",
"@type": "http://schema.org/Person",
"http://schema.org/name": "Gregg Kellogg",
"http://schema.org/knows": {
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# Language Principles

- More features defined in the <u>syntax</u> <u>specification</u>\*:
  - Ordered Lists, Compact IRIs, Unlabeled Nodes, Reverse Properties, Language Maps, Data Indexing
  - Embedded @context definitions
  - Datasets/Named Graphs

<sup>\* &</sup>lt;a href="http://www.w3.org/TR/json-Id/">http://www.w3.org/TR/json-Id/</a>

# lt's just JSON

- Express structured data using regular JSON idioms.
- Use external @context to alias terms and cast types

```
"verb": "post",
"published": "2011-02-10T15:04:55Z",
"language": "en",
"actor": {
 "objectType": "person",
 "id": "urn:example:person:martin",
 "displayName": "Martin Smith",
 "url": "http://example.org/martin",
 "image": {
  "url": "http://example.org/martin/image.jpg",
  "mediaType": "image/jpeg",
  "width": 250,
  "height": 250
"object": {
 "objectType": "article",
 "id": "urn:example:blog:abc123/xyz",
 "url": "http://example.org/blog/2011/02/entry",
 "displayName": "Why I love Activity Streams"
"target": {
 "objectType": "blog",
 "id": "urn:example:blog:abc123",
 "displayName": "Martin's Blog",
 "url": "http://example.org/blog/"
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@prefix: schema < http://schema.org/> .
<http://greggkellogg.net/foaf#me> a schema:Person;
schema:name "Gregg Kellogg";
shema:knows < http://www.markus-lanthaler.com/> .

<http://www.markus-lanthaler.com/> a schema:Person
schema:name "Markus Lanthaler"
schema:knows <http://greggkellogg.net/foaf#me> .

### More Information

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