

✅ Day 5: Collections, Pre-Requests & Runner – Go Pro

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📌 What You'll Learn:

- What are **Collections** in Postman
- How to organize multiple requests under a project
- Use **Pre-request Scripts** for logic before requests
- Automate with **Collection Runner**
- Import/export and share your complete API test suite

📁 What Are Collections?

A **Collection** is a folder of related API requests.

You can group multiple endpoints, save tests, and apply variables globally.

Example: A Blog API Collection might include:

- GET /posts
- POST /posts
- PUT /posts/:id
- DELETE /posts/:id

🧠 Benefits of Collections:

- ✅ Organize your API workflows
- ✅ Save and re-use across environments
- ✅ Share your testing setup with your team
- ✅ Combine with tests for automation

Pre-request Scripts

These scripts run **before** the main request.

They're useful for:

- Generating tokens
- Setting timestamps
- Modifying headers or body dynamically

Example:

```
pm.environment.set("timestamp", Date.now());
```

Collection Runner – Test Like a Pro

Run an entire collection with one click using the **Collection Runner**.

What you can do:

- Run requests in sequence
- Apply data files (CSV/JSON) for dynamic values
- View results with test status
- Export run results for reports

Automate Your API Testing Flow:


1. Create & save your requests inside a Collection
2. Add tests under each request
3. Use pre-request scripts for advanced control
4. Run the collection with or without test data
5. Reuse, refine, and scale your API testing


Pro Tips:

- ✓ Use folder-level scripts for shared logic
- ✓ Use `pm.iterationData.get()` with CSV/JSON in Runner
- ✓ Share your collection with teammates via link or export
- ✓ Try Newman (CLI) for CI/CD automation (advanced)

Full Series:

 github.com/Ghinaiya-Deep/Skill-Stack-by-DeepLogic-Labs

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