

API Testing Documentation

This document outlines testing a RESTful API using Postman and automated scripts. The API used for demonstration is JSONPlaceholder..

Objectives

- ✓ Verify API endpoints work as expected.
- ✓ Test error handling and edge cases.
- ✓ Validate response structure and status codes.
- ✓ Ensure security and performance best practices.

1. API Details

Field	Value
Base URL	https://jsonplaceholder.typicode.com
Authentication	None (Public API)
Format	JSON

2. Test Cases

3.1 GET /posts

Description: Retrieve all posts.

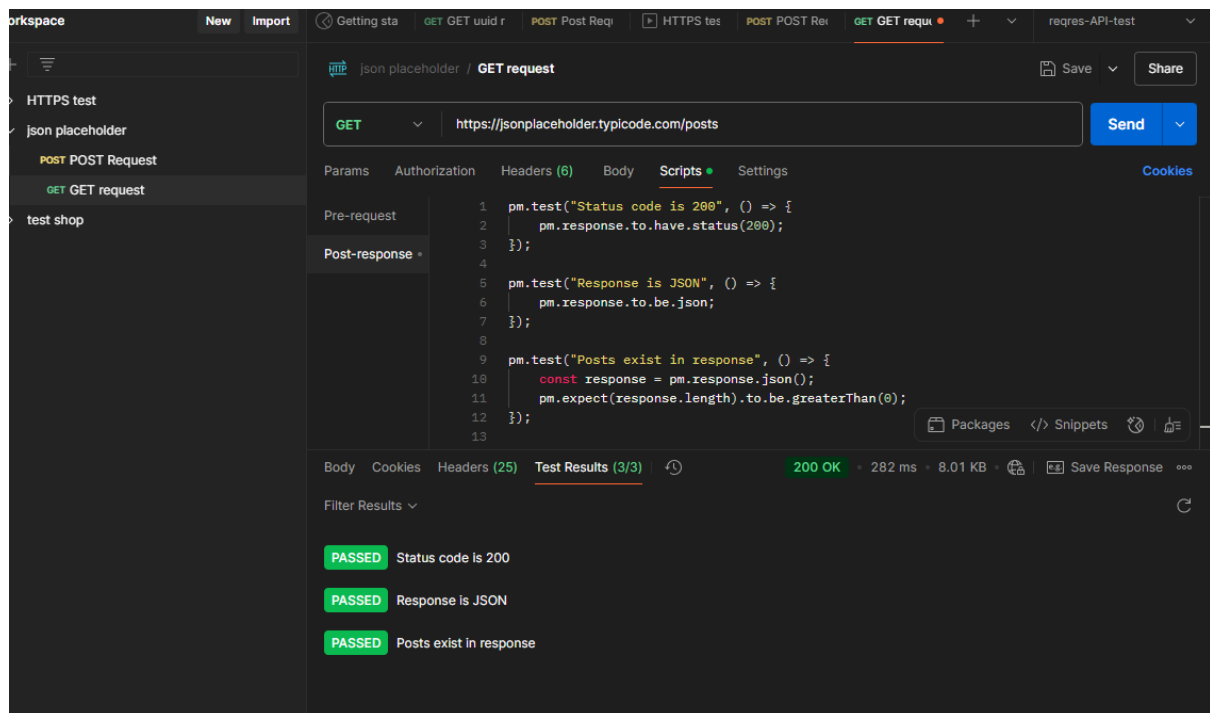
Request: GET /posts

Expected Response:

- **Status Code:** 200 OK
- **Body:** JSON array of posts.

Postman Test Script:

```
pm.test("Status code is 200", () => {  
  pm.response.to.have.status(200);  
});  
  
pm.test("Response is JSON", () => {  
  pm.response.to.be.json;  
});  
  
pm.test("Posts exist in response", () => {  
  const response = pm.response.json();  
  pm.expect(response.length).to.be.greaterThan(0);  
});
```



3.2 GET /posts/{id}

Description: Fetch a single post by ID.

Request: GET /posts/1

Expected Response:

- **Status Code:** 200 OK

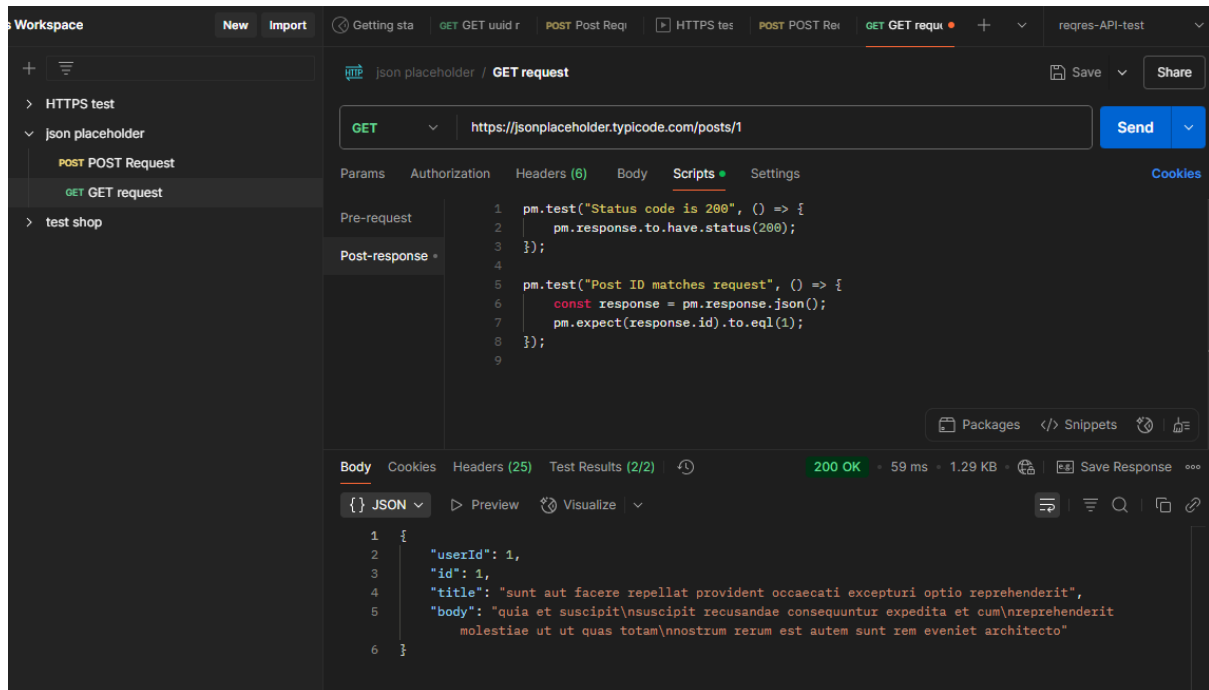
- **Body:**

```
{
  "userId": 1,
  "id": 1,
  "title": "sunt aut facere repellat provident occaecati excepturi optio reprehenderit",
  "body": "quia et suscipit\nsuscipit recusandae consequuntur expedita et cum\nreprehenderit molestiae ut ut quas totam\nnostrum rerum est autem sunt rem eveniet architecto"
}
```

Postman Test Script:

```
pm.test("Status code is 200", () => {
  pm.response.to.have.status(200);
});

pm.test("Post ID matches request", () => {
  const response = pm.response.json();
  pm.expect(response.id).to.eql(1);
});
```



3.3 POST /posts

Description: Create a new post.

Request: POST /posts

Headers: { "Content-Type": "application/json" }

Body:

```
{
  "title": "New Post",
  "body": "shopping cart.",
  "userId": 101
}
```

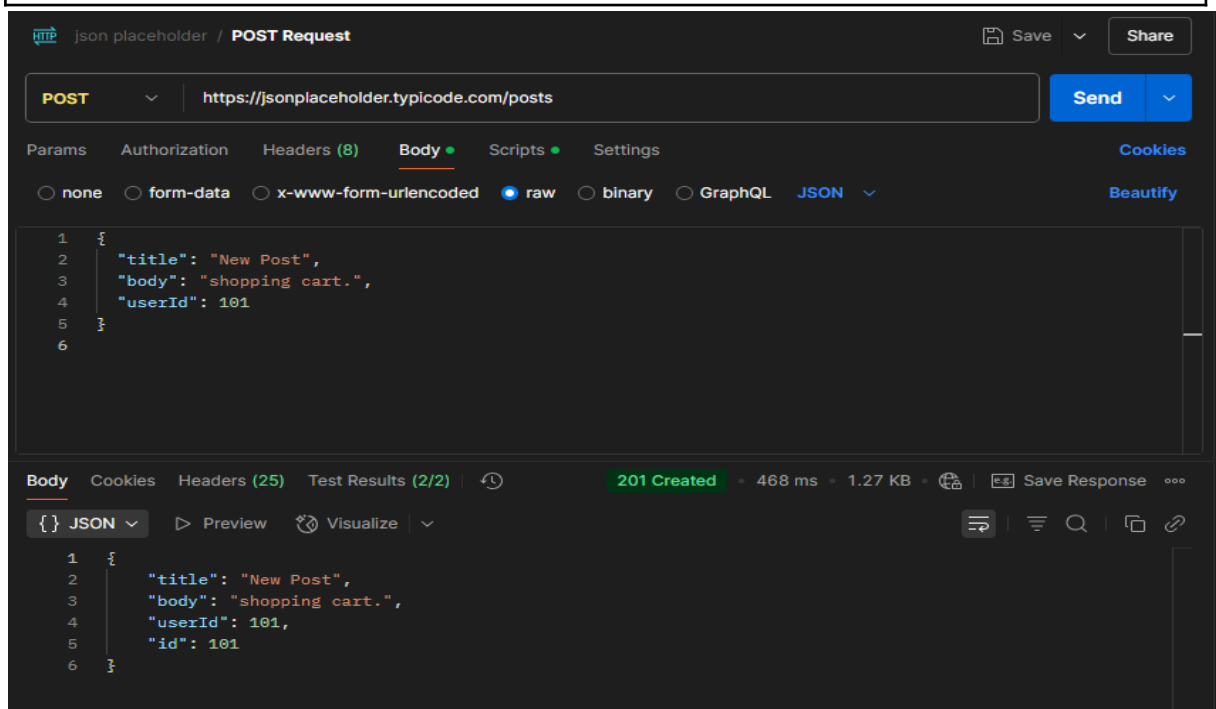
Expected Response:

- **Status Code:** 201 Created
- **Body:** The newly created post with a unique ID.

Postman Test Script:

```
pm.test("Status code is 201", () => {
  pm.response.to.have.status(201);
});

pm.test("New post has an ID", () => {
  const response = pm.response.json();
  pm.expect(response.id).to.exist;
});
```



3.4 PUT /posts/{id}

Description: Update an existing post.

Request: PUT /posts/101

Headers: { "Content-Type": "application/json" }

Body:

```
{
  "id": 101,
  "title": "Updated Title",
  "body": "Updated body text.",
  "userId": 5
}
```

Expected Response:

- **Status Code:** 200 OK
- **Body:** The updated post.

Postman Test Script:

```
pm.test("Status code is 200", () => {
  pm.response.to.have.status(200);
});

pm.test("Title was updated", () => {
  const response = pm.response.json();
  pm.expect(response.title).to.eql("Updated Title");
});
```

3.5 DELETE /posts/{id}

Description: Delete a post.

Request: DELETE /posts/101

Expected Response:

- **Status Code:** 204 No Content
- **Body:** Empty or confirmation message.

Postman Test Script:

```
pm.test("Status code is 200", () => {  
  pm.response.to.have.status(200);  
});
```

4. Negative Test Cases

Test Case	Request	Expected Status
Invalid Endpoint	GET /invalid	404 Not Found
Missing Required Field	POST /posts (without userId)	400 Bad Request
Invalid ID Format	GET /posts/abc	404 Not Found

Next Steps

- **Add Performance Testing:**
 - Use tools like **JMeter** to evaluate:
 - Response time under load
 - Throughput and latency

- **Implement Security Testing:**
 - Use **OWASP ZAP** to test for:
 - SQL Injection
 - Broken Authentication
 - Sensitive Data Exposure