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### SEP-005: Detailed ItemBuilder API use

Item class for examples:

```
#!python
class NewsItem(Item):
    url = fields.TextField()
    headline = fields.TextField()
    content = fields.TextField()
    published = fields.DateField()
```

#### gSetting expanders

```
#!python
class NewsItemBuilder(ItemBuilder):
    item_class = NewsItem
    headline = reducers.Reducer(extract, remove tags(), unquote(), strip)
```

This approach will override the Reducer class for BuilderFields depending on their Item Field class:

- MultivaluedField = PassValue
- TextField = JoinStrings
- other = TakeFirst

## gSetting reducers

```
#!python
class NewsItemBuilder(ItemBuilder):
    item_class = NewsItem

headline = reducers.TakeFirst(extract, remove_tags(), unquote(), strip)
published = reducers.Reducer(extract, remove_tags(), unquote(), strip)
```

As with the previous example this would select join strings as the reducer for content

#### gSetting expanders/reducers new way

```
#!python
class NewsItemBuilder(ItemBuilder):
    item_class = NewsItem

headline = BuilderField(extract, remove_tags(), unquote(), strip)
    content = BuilderField(extract, remove_tags(), unquote(), strip)

class Reducer:
    headline = TakeFirst
```

#### gExtending ItemBuilder

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```
#!python
class SiteNewsItemBuilder(NewsItemBuilder):
   published = reducers.Reducer(NewsItemBuilder.published, to date('%d.%m.%Y'))
```

## gUsing default\_builder

```
#!python
class DefaultedNewsItemBuilder(ItemBuilder):
    item_class = NewsItem

default builder = reducers.Reducer(extract, remove tags(), unquote(), strip)
```

This will use default\_builder as the builder for every field in the item class. As a reducer is not set reducers will be set based on Item Field classes.

# gReset default\_builder for a field

```
#!python
class DefaultedNewsItemBuilder(ItemBuilder):
    item_class = NewsItem

default_builder = reducers.Reducer(extract, remove_tags(), unquote(), strip)
    url = BuilderField()
```

## gExtending default ItemBuilder

```
#!python
class SiteNewsItemBuilder(NewsItemBuilder):
    published = reducers.Reducer(extract, remove tags(), unquote(), strip, to date('%d.%m.%Y'))
```

### gExtending default ItemBuilder using static methods

```
#!python
class SiteNewsItemBuilder(NewsItemBuilder):
   published = reducers.Reducer(NewsItemBuilder.default builder, to date('%d.%m.%Y'))
```