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Introduction to Web APIs

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Term	Definition
API	Application programming interface; Allows software to communicate with other software
CORS	Cross-origin resource sharing; Allows requests to APIs on other domains
endpoint	The URL of a specific resource that an API can access
GraphQL	An alternative to REST that allows more control over responses and uses queries instead of endpoints
JSON	JavaScript Object Notation; A common format for sending and receiving data through APIs
parameter	An additional option added to an API request to filter the response; it is specified after a "?" in the URL string
promise	An asynchronous operation that will complete in the future