1) Node.js and Express

Node.js

-> Runtime environment for executing javascript on the server-side.

-> Core modules http, fs and path to build Server Side Apps.

Express

-> Framework built on node.js that simplifies web application development by provide routing, middleware and utilities.

2) Routing Works in Express

-> Maintain routing table internally.

-> Match found, execute the corresponding Callback.

-> When request comes, Express iterates through routes and middleware in order, check if url and method match.

3) Purpose of express.json() middleware

-> express.json() paresses incoming request with JSON payloads.

-> Req.body with parsed JSON object for easy access.

4) HTTP methods in REST APIs

GET -> Retrieve resources

POST -> Create New Resource

PUT -> Replace an existing resource

Patch -> Update part of resource

Delete -> Remove a resources

Option -> Discover http method for resources.

5) req.params → Used parameters → /user/:id

req.query → Url query string parameters → /search?term=abc

req.body → Data sent in the request body → Via POST/PUT request

6) Create dynamic routes:

-> Dynamic routes use parameters.

-> Fetching user details by ID.

```
app.get('/user/:id', (req, res) => {
    res.send(`user ID is ${req.params.id}`);
});
```

) Two routes with same path & method:

-> Express executes the first route that matches the path & method.

-> Subsequent routes can act as middleware next() is called.

8) Route mounting:

-> Express allows mounting routers to specific paths.

```
const userRouter = require('./routes/user');
app.use('/users', userRouter);
```

-> All routes in userRouter will be prefixed with /user.

9) Middleware and request-response cycle:

-> Middleware is a function with req, res, next.
-> Modify req or res, end the response, or call next() to pass control.

10) Properties inside req object:

-> req.params
-> req.query
-> req.body
-> req.headers
-> req.originalUrl
-> req.method
-> req.url
-> req.cookies
-> req.ip

11) Handling 404 errors:

```
app.use ((req, res, next) => {
    res.status (404).send ('Page not found');
});
```

12) res.send()

-> Sends a response
String, buffer, object
-> Automatically sets
Content-Type.

res.json()

-> Sends a json response with Content Type: application/json.

13) Structuring routes using MVC

Model: Database Schema and logic.

View: Templates or frontend output.

Controller: Handles request logic.

Routes connect Controllers to endpoints

routes/user.js -> Controllers/userController.js ->
Models/User.js

14) Put

-> Replace entire resource

Patch

-> Updates partial resource.

15) Full request-response lifecycle:

-> client sends HTTP request
-> Node.js receives request
-> Express parses URL, method, and headers
-> middleware runs sequentially.
-> Route matching occurs.
-> Controller logic executes.
-> Response is constructed res.send or res.json
-> Response is sent back to client.
-> Connection close.