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ASP.NET MVC Interview Questions by Karthik M
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     Q1. What is ASP.NET MVC? How is it different from ASP.NET Web Forms?
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    Answer:
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    ASP.NET MVC stands for Model-View-Controller, a design pattern that separates an
     application into three components:
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     a. Model: Handles application data and business logic.
     b. View: Represents the UI part of the application.
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     c. Controller: Responds to user inputs and interacts with the Model and View.
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    Differences from Web Forms:
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     a. No ViewState in MVC, so pages are lightweight.
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    b. MVC gives full control over HTML, while Web Forms use server controls.
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     c. MVC follows the Separation of Concerns principle.
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     d. MVC applications are more easily testable than Web Forms.
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     Q2. Explain the ASP.NET MVC Request Life Cycle.
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    Answer:
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    The ASP.NET MVC Request Life Cycle involves these key steps:
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    Step - 1
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    Routing: URL is matched to a route defined in RouteConfig.
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     Step - 2
     Controller Initialization: Appropriate Controller is instantiated.
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     Step - 3
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     Action Execution: The action method is invoked.
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     Result Execution: ActionResult (like ViewResult) is returned.
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     Step - 5
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    View Rendering: The View is rendered and returned to the browser.
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     Q3. What is a Controller in MVC?
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    A Controller handles incoming HTTP requests and returns responses. Controllers inherit
    from the Controller base class.
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    Example:
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    public class ProductController : Controller
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54
        public ActionResult Details(int id)
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56
             // Fetch product by id
57
             return View();
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         }
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     }
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     Q4. What is an Action Method in MVC?
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    Answer:
     Action Methods are public methods inside a Controller class that handle HTTP requests.
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      Example:
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     public ActionResult About()
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 72
          return View();
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      }
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     An Action Method must be:
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      a. Public
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     b. Non-static
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      c. Not decorated with [NonAction] attribute
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      Q5. What is Routing in ASP.NET MVC?
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      Answer:
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     Routing defines how URLs map to controller actions. It is configured in RouteConfig.cs.
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      Example:
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     routes.MapRoute(
 89
          name: "Default",
          url: "{controller}/{action}/{id}",
 90
 91
          defaults: new { controller = "Home", action = "Index", id = UrlParameter.Optional }
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      );
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      Thus, the URL /Product/Details/5 calls ProductController's Details method with id = 5.
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      Q6. How can you pass data from Controller to View in MVC?
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      Answer:
      Three common ways to pass data:
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      a. ViewBag (dynamic): ViewBag.Message = "Hello World";
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      b. ViewData (dictionary): ViewData["Message"] = "Hello World";
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      c. Model (strongly typed): return View(productList);
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      In the View, you can access:
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      a. @ViewBag.Message
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     b. @ViewData["Message"]
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      c. @Model.PropertyName
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      Q7. What is the difference between ViewBag, ViewData, and TempData?
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     Answer:
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      a. ViewBag: Dynamic wrapper around ViewData, lives for the current request.
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      b. ViewData: Dictionary object, also lives only for the current request.
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      c. TempData: Uses Session to persist data for one more request (useful after redirects).
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      Example using TempData:
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      TempData["SuccessMessage"] = "Record Saved Successfully!";
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      Q8. What is a Strongly Typed View?
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      Answer:
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      A Strongly Typed View is a View that is bound to a specific Model class.
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      At the top of the Razor View, you declare the model:
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      @model MyApp.Models.Product
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      @Model.ProductName
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      @Model.Price
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      This makes development strongly typed, compile-time checked, and more efficient.
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      Q9. What is Razor View Engine in ASP.NET MVC?
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     Answer:
     Razor is the View Engine that allows mixing C# code with HTML easily.
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      Syntax uses @ to indicate C# code.
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      Example:
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      @foreach (var item in Model.Products)
153
      {
154
          0 0 item.Name
155
      }
156
157
     Advantages:
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      a. Cleaner syntax
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     b. Faster rendering
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     c. No need for <% %> syntax like older Web Forms
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     Q10. What is the difference between Html.Partial() and Html.RenderPartial()?
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     Answer:
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     Html.Partial() returns a string that represents HTML content.
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     Html.RenderPartial() writes HTML directly to the response stream - slightly faster.
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      Example using Html.Partial():
173
      @Html.Partial(" ProductPartial", productList)
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175
      Example using Html.RenderPartial():
176
      @{ Html.RenderPartial(" ProductPartial", productList); }
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      Use Html.Partial() when you need the output returned. Use Html.RenderPartial() for
      slightly better performance when you don't need the returned HTML.
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      Q11. What are different types of Action Results in MVC?
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     Answer:
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     Action Results represent different types of responses that a controller action can
     return.
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     Common types:
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     a. ViewResult - returns HTML and markup (using Views).
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     b. PartialViewResult - returns a partial View.
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      c. RedirectResult - redirects to another URL.
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      d. RedirectToRouteResult - redirects to another route.
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      e. JsonResult - returns JSON-formatted data.
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      f. FileResult - returns a file to download.
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      g. ContentResult - returns plain text.
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      Example returning a JSON:
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      return Json(new { id = 1, name = "Product1" }, JsonRequestBehavior.AllowGet);
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Then you can access properties with IntelliSense:

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      Q12. How can you restrict an action method to be invoked only by POST request?
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      Answer:
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      Use the [HttpPost] attribute above the Action Method.
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    Example:
211
     [HttpPost]
212
     public ActionResult Save(Product model)
213
214
          // Save logic
215
          return RedirectToAction("Index");
216
      }
217
218
      Similarly, use [HttpGet] for GET requests.
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      Q13. What is the difference between RedirectToAction() and Redirect()?
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     Answer:
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     RedirectToAction("Index") redirects to a specific action inside a controller.
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     Redirect("http://example.com") redirects to a specified URL.
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231
     Example using RedirectToAction:
      return RedirectToAction("Index", "Home");
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     Example using Redirect:
235
      return Redirect("https://www.google.com");
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      RedirectToAction is route-based; Redirect is URL-based.
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      Q14. What is the use of the [NonAction] attribute in MVC?
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      Answer:
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      The [NonAction] attribute is used to mark a public method in a controller that should
      not be treated as an Action Method.
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     Example:
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      public class ProductController : Controller
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249
          [NonAction]
250
          public void HelperMethod()
251
252
              // Not an action
253
          }
254
      }
255
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      015. What are Filters in MVC?
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      Answer:
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      Filters are attributes that add extra behavior to action methods or controllers.
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      Types of filters:
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      a. Authorization filters (e.g., [Authorize])
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      b. Action filters (e.g., [OnActionExecuting])
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      c. Result filters (e.g., [OnResultExecuting])
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      d. Exception filters (e.g., [HandleError])
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      Example:
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      [Authorize]
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    public ActionResult Dashboard()
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         return View();
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     Q16. What is the difference between TempData, ViewData, and ViewBag?
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    Answer:
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    Aspect
             ViewData
                                      ViewBag
                                                            TempData
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    Type
                Dictionary
                                      Dynamic
                                                            Dictionary
288 Life Span
               Current Request
                                      Current
                                                            Request Persists until next
     request
289
                Usage
                                                            TempData["key"]
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    Use Case Passing data to View
                                     Passing data to View Passing data across Redirects
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     Q17. What is Model Binding in MVC?
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     Answer:
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     Model Binding maps incoming request data (Form, Query String, Route Data) to action
     method parameters.
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    Example:
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    public ActionResult Save(Product model)
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302
         // Model Binding automatically fills model properties
303
         return View();
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     If the posted form has input fields named ProductName, Price, they are automatically
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     mapped to the Product object.
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     Q18. How can you validate a model in ASP.NET MVC?
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314 Use Data Annotations on the model properties and call ModelState.IsValid in the
     controller.
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    Example:
317
    public class Product
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    {
319
         [Required]
320
        public string ProductName { get; set; }
321
322
         [Range(1, 10000)]
323
         public decimal Price { get; set; }
324
     }
325
326
     Controller code:
327
     if (ModelState.IsValid)
328
         // Save Product
329
330
     }
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      Q19. What is the difference between View() and PartialView() in MVC?
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      Answer:
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      View() renders the full View including Layout.
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     PartialView() renders only a section of a page, without Layout.
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     Example:
     return View("Index");
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     return PartialView(" ProductList", products);
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      Partial Views are useful for AJAX updates and reusable UI parts.
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      Q20. How do you implement Custom Error Handling in MVC?
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     Answer:
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     You can use:
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      [HandleError] attribute on controllers/actions
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     customErrors section in web.config
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     Example with [HandleError]:
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     [HandleError(View = "Error")]
368
     public class ProductController : Controller
369
370
          public ActionResult Create()
371
372
              throw new Exception ("Something went wrong!");
373
374
      }
375
376
      Also, configure in web.config:
377
      <customErrors mode="On" defaultRedirect="~/Home/Error" />
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      Q21. What is a View in MVC?
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     Answer:
      A View is the user interface (UI) component in MVC architecture. It presents data to the
384
     user and accepts input.
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      Example View (Index.cshtml):
387
      @model MyApp.Models.Product
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389
      <h2>Product Details</h2> Name: @Model.ProductName Price: @Model.Price
390
      The View uses the data passed from the Controller and renders it as HTML.
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      Q22. What is Razor Syntax in ASP.NET MVC?
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      Answer:
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      Razor is the syntax used to embed server-side C# code into HTML markup easily.
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      Syntax Examples:
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401
      Inline expressions: @Model.ProductName
402
403
      Loop example:
404
      @foreach (var item in Model.Products)
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405
406
          @item.Name
407
408
409
     Rules:
410
     a. Code statements start with @
411
412
     b. No need for <% %> like older ASP.NET Web Forms.
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      Q23. How do you create a strongly typed View?
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      Answer:
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      At the top of the View, declare the model type using @model:
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420
      @model MyApp.Models.Employee
421
422
      Then you can access the Model properties with IntelliSense:
423
424
      @Model.EmployeeName @Model.Salary
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      Strongly typed Views ensure type safety and better productivity.
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      Q24. What are HTML Helpers in MVC?
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     Answer:
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     HTML Helpers are methods that simplify rendering standard HTML elements.
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      Common examples:
436
437
      @Html.TextBoxFor(m => m.ProductName)
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439
      @Html.LabelFor(m => m.ProductName)
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441
      @Html.DropDownListFor(m => m.CategoryId, categoryList)
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443
      They help generate clean and consistent HTML controls in Views.
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      Q25. What is the difference between Html.TextBox() and Html.TextBoxFor()?
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     Answer:
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452
      Html.TextBox() is loosely typed (string-based), no IntelliSense.
453
     Example: @Html.TextBox("ProductName")
454
455
      Html.TextBoxFor() is strongly typed (model-based), compile-time checked.
456
     Example: @Html.TextBoxFor(m => m.ProductName)
457
458
      Prefer TextBoxFor() for strong typing and error checking.
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      Q26. How do you create a DropDownList using HTML Helpers?
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      Answer:
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     You can create a DropDownList using Html.DropDownListFor().
467
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      Example:
469
      @Html.DropDownListFor(m => m.CategoryId, new SelectList(Model.Categories, "CategoryId",
      "CategoryName"))
470
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      Here:
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      m => m.CategoryId is the model property bound.
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475
      Model. Categories is the source list.
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      027. What is ViewStart file in MVC?
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      Answer:
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      The ViewStart.cshtml file contains code that should run before every View is rendered.
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      Example content of ViewStart.cshtml:
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486
      @{ Layout = "~/Views/Shared/ Layout.cshtml"; }
487
488
      It sets a default Layout for all Views, so you don't have to set Layout individually in
      every View.
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      Q28. What is the purpose of Layout pages in MVC?
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      Answer:
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      Layout pages are like Master Pages in Web Forms.
      They allow you to define a common structure (e.g., header, footer, navigation) and reuse
497
      it across multiple Views.
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      Example Layout ( Layout.cshtml):
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501
      <!DOCTYPE html>
502
      <html>
503
      <head>
      <title>@ViewBag.Title</title>
504
505
      </head>
506
      <body> @RenderBody() </body>
507
      </html>
508
509
      Each View is injected into @RenderBody() placeholder at runtime.
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      Q29. How do you render a Partial View manually inside a View?
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      Answer:
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      Use either:
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519
      @Html.Partial(" ProductPartial") (returns HTML string)
520
521
      @{ Html.RenderPartial(" ProductPartial"); } (writes directly to response)
522
523
      Both render ProductPartial.cshtml inside the parent View.
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525
      Use Partial Views when you want to reuse pieces of UI.
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      Q30. How do you perform form submissions in MVC?
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      You create a form using Html.BeginForm().
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      Example:
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537
      @using (Html.BeginForm("Save", "Product", FormMethod.Post))
538
539
          @Html.LabelFor(m => m.ProductName)
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540
          @Html.TextBoxFor(m => m.ProductName)
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542
          <input type="submit" value="Save" />
543
544
545
      When the user submits the form, it posts the data to Save action in ProductController.
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      O31. What is ModelState in ASP.NET MVC?
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      Answer:
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      ModelState is a property of the Controller that holds the state of model binding and
      validation.
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554
      Typically, you check if the model is valid before proceeding:
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556
      if (ModelState.IsValid)
557
558
          // Save to database
559
      }
560
      else
561
      {
562
          // Return validation errors to View
563
564
565
      It automatically tracks validation errors based on Data Annotations applied to Model
      properties.
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570
      Q32. What is Data Annotation in MVC?
571
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      Answer:
573
      Data Annotations are attributes applied to Model properties to enforce validation rules.
574
575
      Example:
576
577
      public class Product
578
579
          [Required(ErrorMessage = "Product Name is required")]
580
          public string ProductName { get; set; }
581
582
          [Range(1, 10000)]
583
          public decimal Price { get; set; }
584
      }
585
586
      When you post data, MVC will automatically validate these rules.
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      Q33. How do you create custom validation attributes in MVC?
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      Answer:
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      You create a class by inheriting from ValidationAttribute and override IsValid().
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597
      Example:
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599
      public class NoZeroPriceAttribute : ValidationAttribute
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601
          public override bool IsValid(object value)
602
603
              decimal price = (decimal) value;
604
              return price != 0;
605
606
      }
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      Apply it to a property:
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610
      [NoZeroPrice (ErrorMessage = "Price cannot be zero")]
611
      public decimal Price { get; set; }
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      Q34. What is Unobtrusive JavaScript validation in MVC?
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      Answer:
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      Unobtrusive Validation separates JavaScript behavior from HTML markup, resulting in
      cleaner code.
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      To enable it:
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      Include jQuery and jQuery Validation libraries.
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      Set these keys in web.config:
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628
      <appSettings>
629
          <add key="ClientValidationEnabled" value="true" />
          <add key="UnobtrusiveJavaScriptEnabled" value="true" />
630
631
      </appSettings>
632
633
      It automatically enables client-side validation based on Data Annotations.
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      Q35. How do you perform server-side validation in MVC?
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      Answer:
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      Server-side validation is done by checking ModelState. IsValid in Controller Actions.
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      Example:
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645
      [HttpPost]
646
      public ActionResult Save(Product model)
647
648
          if (ModelState.IsValid)
649
          {
650
              // Save data
651
          }
652
          return View(model);
653
654
655
      Even if client-side validation is disabled, server-side validation ensures data
      integrity.
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      Q36. What are strongly typed HTML helpers?
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      Answer:
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      Strongly typed helpers are bound to a specific Model property.
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      Example:
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666
      @Html.TextBoxFor(m => m.ProductName)
667
      @Html.EditorFor(m => m.Price)
668
      @Html.DisplayFor(m => m.ProductName)
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670
      Advantages:
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      a. Compile-time checking
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      b. IntelliSense support
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      Q37. How do you return JSON from an MVC Controller?
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      Answer:
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      You can use the JsonResult return type.
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      Example:
684
      public JsonResult GetProduct(int id)
685
686
687
          var product = new Product { Id = id, Name = "Pen", Price = 100 };
688
          return Json(product, JsonRequestBehavior.AllowGet);
689
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691
      This will serialize the product object to JSON and return it to the client.
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      Q38. What is Dependency Injection (DI) in MVC?
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      Answer:
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      Dependency Injection is a design pattern to inject dependencies into classes rather than
      having them instantiate the dependencies themselves.
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      Benefits:
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     Loose coupling
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     Easier testing
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      Better maintainability
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      In ASP.NET Core MVC, built-in DI is configured using:
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709
      services.AddScoped<IProductService, ProductService>();
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711
      In traditional MVC, you can use libraries like Unity, Ninject, Autofac for DI.
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      Q39. How do you implement custom Dependency Injection in ASP.NET MVC?
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      You create your own dependency resolver by implementing IDependencyResolver.
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      Example:
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      public class CustomResolver : IDependencyResolver
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724
          public object GetService(Type serviceType)
725
726
              // Instantiate services here
727
              return new ProductService();
728
729
730
          public IEnumerable<object> GetServices(Type serviceType)
731
732
              return new List<object>();
733
734
      }
735
736
      And register it in Global.asax:
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      DependencyResolver.SetResolver(new CustomResolver());
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      Q40. What is Bundling and Minification in MVC?
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      Bundling and Minification are performance techniques to:
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      Bundle multiple CSS or JS files into one file.
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      Minify (remove whitespaces and comments) the file content.
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      Example in BundleConfig.cs:
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755
      bundles.Add(new ScriptBundle("/bundles/jquery").Include(
756
          "/Scripts/jquery-{version}.js"
757
      ));
758
759
      bundles.Add(new StyleBundle("/Content/css").Include(
760
          "/Content/bootstrap.css",
761
          "~/Content/site.css"
762
      ));
763
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      It reduces the number of requests and improves page load time.
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      Q41. How do you enable Bundling and Minification in MVC?
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      Answer:
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      By default, Bundling and Minification happen only in Release mode.
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      You can force them manually in BundleConfig.cs by setting:
773
      BundleTable.EnableOptimizations = true;
774
775
      And then register bundles inside Application Start() in Global.asax:
776
      BundleConfig.RegisterBundles(BundleTable.Bundles);
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      This combines and compresses CSS and JS for faster page loads.
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      Q42. What is the use of AntiForgeryToken in MVC?
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      Answer:
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      Anti-Forgery Tokens prevent Cross-Site Request Forgery (CSRF) attacks.
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      In the View:
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790
      @using (Html.BeginForm())
791
792
          @Html.AntiForgeryToken()
793
          // Form fields
794
      }
795
796
      In the Controller:
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798
      [HttpPost]
799
      [ValidateAntiForgeryToken]
800
      public ActionResult Save(Product model)
801
      {
802
          // Save logic
803
      }
804
805
      The server checks that the token submitted matches the one generated, ensuring the
      request is genuine.
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      Q43. What is the [AllowAnonymous] attribute in MVC?
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      Answer:
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      [AllowAnonymous] allows unauthenticated users to access specific actions or controllers
      even if the entire application requires authentication.
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     Example:
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     [Authorize]
818
     public class DashboardController : Controller
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      {
820
          public ActionResult Index() { return View(); }
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822
          [AllowAnonymous]
823
          public ActionResult Help() { return View(); }
824
      }
825
826
      Here, Dashboard/Help can be accessed without logging in.
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      Q44. How do you handle 404 errors in MVC?
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      Answer:
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     You can handle 404 errors globally by updating web.config:
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     <system.web>
         <customErrors mode="On" defaultRedirect="~/Error/General">
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839
              <error statusCode="404" redirect="~/Error/NotFound"/>
840
          </customErrors>
841
      </system.web>
842
843
      You can also create an ErrorController with NotFound and General actions to handle these
      gracefully.
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      Q45. What is Areas in ASP.NET MVC?
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     Answer:
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      Areas allow you to divide a large MVC application into smaller functional sections, each
      with its own Controllers, Views, and Models.
852
853
      For example:
854
855
     Admin Area
856
      Customer Area
     Billing Area
857
858
859
     Each Area has its own AreaRegistration.cs file where its routes are registered.
860
861
     Example:
862
863
      context.MapRoute(
864
          "Admin default",
865
          "Admin/{controller}/{action}/{id}",
866
          new { action = "Index", id = UrlParameter.Optional }
867
      );
868
869
870
871
872
      Q46. What is Output Caching in MVC?
873
874
      Answer:
875
      Output Caching stores the response of a Controller action and reuses it for subsequent
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requests, boosting performance.
876
877
      Example:
878
879
      [OutputCache(Duration = 60)]
880
     public ActionResult Index()
881
882
          // This View will be cached for 60 seconds
883
          return View();
884
885
886
     Benefits:
887
888
      a. Reduces server processing
889
     b. Improves load time
890
891
892
893
      Q47. What is Child Action Only in MVC?
894
895
     Answer:
896
     [ChildActionOnly] attribute restricts an action method to be called only from another
      View, not directly via URL.
897
898
     Example:
899
900
      [ChildActionOnly]
     public ActionResult Menu()
901
902
903
          return PartialView(" Menu");
904
      }
905
906
      You render it inside another View like:
907
908
      @Html.Action("Menu")
909
910
      If a user tries to directly access /Home/Menu, they will get an error.
911
912
913
914
915
916
      Q48. How do you use Authorize attribute with Roles?
917
918
919
     You can specify roles allowed to access a controller or action.
920
921
      Example:
922
923
      [Authorize(Roles = "Admin, Manager")]
924
     public ActionResult ManageUsers()
925
     {
926
          return View();
927
928
929
      Only users in the "Admin" or "Manager" roles can access ManageUsers.
930
931
932
933
934
935
936
      Q49. How can you send JSON data from JavaScript to an MVC controller?
937
938
      Answer:
939
     Using jQuery $.ajax() method:
940
941
      $.ajax({
         url: '/Product/Save',
942
```

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943
           type: 'POST',
 944
           data: JSON.stringify({ Id: 1, Name: "Pen" }),
 945
           contentType: 'application/json; charset=utf-8',
 946
           success: function(response) {
 947
               alert (response);
 948
           }
 949
       });
 950
 951
       Controller:
 952
 953
      [HttpPost]
 954
       public JsonResult Save(Product product)
 955
 956
           // Save product
 957
           return Json("Success");
 958
       }
 959
 960
 961
 962
 963
 964
       Q50. What is TempData Keep() and Peek() in MVC?
 965
 966
      Answer:
 967
 968
       TempData.Keep() preserves data for another request manually.
 969
       TempData.Peek() reads data without marking it for deletion.
 970
 971
       Example:
 972
 973
       string message = TempData.Peek("Message") as string;
 974
       TempData.Keep("Message");
 975
 976
       Normally, TempData gets cleared after one read, but Keep() and Peek() allow retaining it.
 977
 978
 979
 980
 981
       Q51. How do you make an Ajax call in MVC to update part of a page?
 982
 983
 984
      Use jQuery $.ajax() to call an action and update a div without refreshing the full page.
 985
 986
       Example:
 987
 988
       $.ajax({
 989
           url: '/Product/GetProductList',
 990
           type: 'GET',
 991
           success: function (data) {
 992
               $('#productDiv').html(data);
 993
           }
 994
       });
 995
 996
       In your View:
 997
 998
       <div id="productDiv"></div>
999
       Controller:
1000
1001
       public ActionResult GetProductList()
1002
       {
1003
           return PartialView("_ProductListPartial", products);
1004
       }
1005
1006
1007
1008
       Q52. What is the difference between ViewBag and TempData in MVC?
1009
1010
       Answer:
1011
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1012
1013
     Aspect ViewBag
                                                 TempData
1015
1016
1017
     Purpose
1018
1019
1020
     Q53. What are the different types of Filters in MVC?
1021
1022
     Answer:
1023
1024
     a. Authorization Filters - Implement IAuthorizationFilter.
     b. Action Filters - Implement IActionFilter.c. Result Filters - Implement IResultFilter.
1025
1026
1027
      d. Exception Filters - Implement IExceptionFilter.
1028
1029
      You can create custom filters by inheriting ActionFilterAttribute and overriding methods
      like OnActionExecuting() and OnResultExecuting().
1030
1031
     Example:
1032
1033
     public class CustomActionFilter: ActionFilterAttribute
1034
1035
          public override void OnActionExecuting(ActionExecutingContext filterContext)
1036
             // Your custom logic
1037
1038
          }
1039
     }
1040
1041
1042
1043
1044
     Q54. What is Web API and how is it different from MVC?
1045
1046
     Answer:
1047
1048
1049 Aspect
              MVC
                                              Web API
1050 =====

1051 Purpose Return Views (HTML) Return Data (JSON, XML)

1052 Return Type ActionResult/ViewResult HttpResponseMessage/IHttpActionResult
1053 Use Case
                   Web Applications
                                             RESTful Services
1054
1055
1056 MVC is ideal for UI-rendered apps.
1057
     Web API is used for services consumed by clients like mobile apps, SPA (Single Page
      Applications), etc.
1058
1059
1060
1061
1062
1063
     Q55. How can you secure Web API endpoints?
1064
1065
     Answer:
1066
     Options include:
1067
1068
      a. Basic Authentication
1069
      b. Token-based Authentication (JWT)
1070
     c. OAuth
1071
      d. API Key validation
1072
      e. Custom Authorization Filters
1073
1074
     Example Basic Authentication setup:
1075
1076
      [Authorize]
1077
      public class ProductsController : ApiController
1078
```

```
// Secure API
1079
1080
       }
1081
1082
       You also configure authentication handlers in Startup.cs for ASP.NET Core.
1083
1084
1085
1086
1087
       Q56. How to prevent Cross-Site Scripting (XSS) in MVC?
1088
1089
      Answer:
      MVC automatically encodes output. Use:
1090
1091
1092
       @Html.Encode (Model.ProductName)
1093
1094
       Or directly in Razor:
1095
1096
       @Model.ProductName
1097
       To disable encoding (if absolutely required):
1098
1099
       @Html.Raw(Model.Description)
1100
1101
      Always validate and sanitize inputs to prevent XSS attacks.
1102
1103
1104
1105
1106
      Q57. How can you call a Web API from MVC?
1107
1108
      Answer:
1109
      You can use HttpClient inside a controller.
1110
1111
      Example:
1112
1113
      HttpClient client = new HttpClient();
1114
       client.BaseAddress = new Uri("https://api.example.com/");
1115
       HttpResponseMessage response = await client.GetAsync("api/products");
1116
       if (response.IsSuccessStatusCode)
1117
       {
1118
           var products = await response.Content.ReadAsAsync<IEnumerable<Product>>();
1119
       }
1120
1121
       This helps MVC applications consume external APIs.
1122
1123
1124
1125
1126
       Q58. What is the use of Route Constraints in MVC?
1127
1128
      Answer:
1129
      Route Constraints restrict which URLs match a route based on pattern matching.
1130
1131
      Example:
1132
1133
      routes.MapRoute(
1134
           "Default",
1135
           "{controller}/{action}/{id}",
1136
           new { controller = "Home", action = "Index", id = UrlParameter.Optional },
           new { id = @"\d+" } // id must be numeric
1137
1138
       );
1139
1140
       This ensures that id must be digits only (regular expression constraint).
1141
1142
1143
1144
1145
       Q59. How do you handle Global Exception Handling in MVC?
1146
1147
      Answer:
```

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1149
1150
       public class GlobalExceptionFilter : FilterAttribute, IExceptionFilter
1151
1152
           public void OnException(ExceptionContext filterContext)
1153
1154
               filterContext.ExceptionHandled = true;
1155
               filterContext.Result = new ViewResult { ViewName = "Error" };
1156
1157
       }
1158
       Register it globally:
1159
1160
1161
       GlobalFilters.Filters.Add(new GlobalExceptionFilter());
1162
       Or configure in web.config using customErrors.
1163
1164
1165
1166
       Q60. How can you create a Custom Route Handler in MVC?
1167
1168
1169
1170 Create a class that implements IRouteHandler:
1171
1172
      public class CustomRouteHandler : IRouteHandler
1173
1174
           public IHttpHandler GetHttpHandler(RequestContext requestContext)
1175
1176
               return new MyHttpHandler();
1177
           }
1178
       }
1179
1180
       Then map it in RouteConfig.cs:
1181
1182
       routes.Add(new Route("customroute/{id}", new CustomRouteHandler()));
1183
1184
       This gives you complete control over how specific requests are processed.
1185
1186
1187
1188
1189
       Q61. How do you implement Dependency Injection in MVC without using third-party
       libraries?
1190
1191
       Answer:
1192
      You can manually inject dependencies using constructor injection.
1193
1194
      Example Controller:
1195
1196
      public class ProductController : Controller
1197
1198
           private readonly IProductService productService;
1199
1200
           public ProductController(IProductService productService)
1201
           {
1202
               productService = productService;
1203
           }
1204
1205
           public ActionResult Index()
1206
1207
               var products = _productService.GetProducts();
1208
               return View(products);
1209
1210
       }
1211
1212
       You instantiate dependencies in a custom IDependencyResolver implementation.
1213
1214
```

You can create a custom filter:

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1217
     Q62. What is Unit Testing in MVC and how is it achieved?
1218
1219
     Answer:
1220 Unit Testing in MVC involves testing Controllers independently of Views and external
     systems.
1221
1222 Tools commonly used:
1223 NUnit, MSTest, or xUnit for writing tests
1224 Moq for mocking dependencies
1225
1226
     Example Test:
1227
1228
     [TestMethod]
1229
     public void Index Returns View With Products()
1230
1231
         // Arrange
1232
         var mockService = new Mock<IProductService>();
1233
         mockService.Setup(s => s.GetProducts()).Returns(new List<Product>());
1234
         var controller = new ProductController(mockService.Object);
1235
1236
        // Act
1237
         var result = controller.Index() as ViewResult;
1238
1239
        // Assert
         Assert.IsNotNull(result);
1240
1241 }
1242
1243
1244
1245
1246
     Q63. How to restrict access to certain controllers only to Admins in MVC?
1247
1248 Answer:
1249
     Use the [Authorize(Roles="Admin")] attribute on the controller or action.
1250
1251
     Example:
1252
1253
     [Authorize (Roles = "Admin")]
     public class AdminDashboardController : Controller
1254
1255
1256
         public ActionResult Index()
1257
         {
1258
             return View();
1259
         }
1260
     }
1261
1262
      Only users in the Admin role can access this Controller.
1263
1264
1265
1266
1267
1268
     Q64. What are TempData, ViewData, and ViewBag - and when do you use each?
1269
1270
     Answer:
1271
1272
     Feature ViewData
1273
                                              ViewBaq
                                                               TempData
1274
      ______
1275 Type
              Dictionary (string, object) Dynamic Property Dictionary (string,
     object)
                                             Current Request Current + Next Request
1276 Lifetime Current Request
                                             Pass data to View Pass data across
1277 Purpose
                Pass data to View
     Redirects
1278
      Syntax
               ViewData["Name"]
                                              ViewBag.Name
                                                               TempData["Name"]
1279
```

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1281
      Use ViewData/ViewBag for passing data to Views, and TempData to persist data across
      redirects.
1282
1283
1284
1285
1286
      Q65. What is the difference between RedirectToAction and Redirect in MVC?
1287
1288
     Answer:
1289
1290
     RedirectToAction() redirects to another action within MVC (using routing).
     Redirect() sends an HTTP redirect to a URL.
1291
1292
1293
      Example RedirectToAction:
1294
      return RedirectToAction("Index", "Home");
1295
1296
      Example Redirect:
1297
      return Redirect("https://www.example.com");
1298
1299
     Note: RedirectToAction is preferred inside MVC because it respects route mappings.
1300
1301
1302
1303
1304
1305
      Q66. What is the difference between Session and TempData?
1306
1307
     Answer:
1308
1309
     Aspect
                                                                      TempData
                         Session
1311 Lifetime
                        Until Browser Closes/Timeout
                                                                     Only Current + Next
     Request
1312 Purpose
                       Store large user data (e.g., Profile, Cart) Store small messages
      (e.g., success/error)
1313
      Accessibility
                     Controller, View, other layers
                                                                     Mainly for
      Controller/View
1314
1315
      Session is bigger and longer-lived. TempData is short-lived and light-weight.
1316
1317
1318
1319
1320
      Q67. How do you use OutputCache with parameters in MVC?
1321
1322
      Answer:
1323
      You can cache based on parameters using the VaryByParam property.
1324
1325
     Example:
1326
1327
      [OutputCache(Duration = 60, VaryByParam = "id")]
1328
     public ActionResult Details(int id)
1329
1330
          return View();
1331
      }
1332
1333
      Here, caching is done separately for each id value passed.
1334
1335
1336
1337
1338
      Q68. What is ActionName Attribute in MVC?
1339
1340
      Answer:
1341
      [ActionName] allows you to rename the URL path of an action without changing the method
      name.
1342
1343
      Example:
```

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1344
1345
       [ActionName("Details")]
1346
       public ActionResult ShowDetails(int id)
1347
1348
           return View();
1349
       }
1350
1351
       The URL will map to /ControllerName/Details even though the method is called ShowDetails.
1352
1353
1354
1355
1356
       Q69. What is the use of ValidateInput(false) in MVC?
1357
1358
       Answer:
1359
       ValidateInput(false) disables the ASP.NET MVC request validation for the current action,
       allowing potentially unsafe input (like HTML).
1360
1361
       Example:
1362
1363
      [HttpPost]
1364
      [ValidateInput(false)]
1365
       public ActionResult Save(string content)
1366
1367
           // Save HTML content
1368
           return View();
1369
       }
1370
1371
       Warning: Use this carefully. Always sanitize user input to prevent XSS.
1372
1373
1374
1375
1376
       Q70. What are NonAction Methods in MVC?
1377
1378
       Answer:
1379
       Methods marked with [NonAction] are NOT considered Controller Actions and cannot be
       invoked via URLs.
1380
1381
      Example:
1382
1383
      public class ProductController : Controller
1384
1385
           [NonAction]
1386
           public string HelperMethod()
1387
1388
               return "Helper Logic";
1389
           }
1390
       }
1391
1392
       HelperMethod() cannot be accessed by routing - it is only used internally within the
       controller.
1393
1394
1395
1396
       Q71. What is a Partial View in MVC?
1397
1398
       Answer:
1399
       A Partial View is like a reusable sub-View that can be embedded inside a View.
1400
1401
       Creating a Partial View:
       _Views/Shared/_ProductSummary.cshtml
1402
1403
1404
       Inside a normal View:
1405
       @Html.Partial(" ProductSummary", product)
1406
1407
       Or, if you want it to run controller logic:
1408
       @Html.Action("Summary", "Product")
1409
```

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1410
       Note: Partial Views are ideal for modular UI components like headers, footers, product
       cards, etc.
1411
1412
1413
1414
       Q72. What are Tag Helpers in ASP.NET Core MVC?
1415
1416
      Answer:
1417
      Tag Helpers allow you to use server-side code directly inside HTML tags for better
       readability.
1418
1419
       Example:
1420
1421
       <input asp-for="Email" class="form-control" />
1422
       This will automatically bind to the Email property of the Model.
1423
1424
       You no longer need to use Html.TextBoxFor() or Html.EditorFor().
1425
       Tag Helpers feel more like HTML-native syntax and are easier to maintain.
1426
1427
1428
1429
       Q73. How do you post a file to MVC Controller?
1430
1431
      Answer:
1432
      Form setup:
1433
1434
      <form action="/Upload/Submit" method="post" enctype="multipart/form-data">
1435
           <input type="file" name="file" /> <button type="submit">Upload</button>
1436
       </form>
1437
      Controller:
1438
1439
1440
      [HttpPost]
1441
      public ActionResult Submit(HttpPostedFileBase file)
1442
1443
           if (file != null && file.ContentLength > 0)
1444
1445
               var path = Path.Combine(Server.MapPath("~/Uploads"),
       Path.GetFileName(file.FileName));
1446
               file.SaveAs(path);
1447
1448
           return RedirectToAction("Index");
1449
       }
1450
1451
       You must set enctype="multipart/form-data" in the form for file uploads to work.
1452
1453
1454
1455
       Q74. What is Authorization Filter and Authentication Filter in MVC?
1456
1457
1458
      Answer:
1459
     Authentication Filter: Ensures the user is authenticated (e.g., logged in).
1460
     Authorization Filter: Ensures the user is authorized (e.g., has correct roles or
       permissions).
1461
1462
       Example Authorization filter:
1463
1464
       [Authorize (Roles = "Admin")]
1465
       public class AdminController : Controller
1466
1467
           public ActionResult Index()
1468
           {
1469
               return View();
1470
1471
       }
1472
1473
       Note: In ASP.NET MVC 5, Authentication Filters were introduced separately for better
       separation of concerns.
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1475
1476
1477
       Q75. How to implement Forms Authentication in MVC?
1478
1479
      Answer:
1480
      Set <authentication mode="Forms"> in web.config.
1481
1482
     web.confiq:
1483
1484
     <authentication mode="Forms">
           <forms loginUrl="~/Account/Login" timeout="30" />
1485
1486
      </authentication>
1487
1488
       Login Controller Action:
1489
1490
      [HttpPost]
1491
      public ActionResult Login(string username, string password)
1492
1493
           if (IsValidUser(username, password))
1494
1495
               FormsAuthentication.SetAuthCookie(username, false);
1496
               return RedirectToAction("Index", "Home");
1497
           }
1498
           return View();
1499
       }
1500
1501
      This enables cookie-based login without needing ASP.NET Identity.
1502
1503
1504
1505
1506
       Q76. What is RoutePrefix Attribute in MVC?
1507
1508
      Answer:
1509
       [RoutePrefix] allows you to define a common route prefix for all actions in a controller.
1510
1511
      Example:
1512
1513
      [RoutePrefix("admin/products")]
1514
      public class ProductAdminController : Controller
1515
1516
           [Route("list")]
1517
           public ActionResult ListProducts()
1518
           {
1519
               return View();
1520
           }
1521
       }
1522
1523
       This action would be accessible via /admin/products/list.
1524
1525
       It helps organize and simplify your route configurations.
1526
1527
1528
1529
1530
       Q77. How do you handle concurrent updates in MVC applications?
1531
1532
       Answer:
1533
      Use Optimistic Concurrency:
1534
1535
       a. Include a hidden RowVersion field in the View.
1536
      b. Compare RowVersion in the database before updating.
1537
      c. If mismatch occurs, prompt user to reload data.
1538
1539
      Example View:
1540
1541
       @Html.HiddenFor(m => m.RowVersion)
1542
```

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1543
       Example Update Action:
1544
1545
       if (dbEntry.RowVersion != model.RowVersion)
1546
1547
           // Conflict detected
1548
       }
1549
1550
1551
1552
1553
       078. What is AntiXSS and how is it handled in MVC?
1554
1555
      Answer:
1556
     AntiXSS libraries help prevent Cross-Site Scripting (XSS) attacks by encoding data
       properly.
1557
      MVC already uses the AntiXSS encoder internally (in newer versions) to sanitize all
       outputs.
1558
1559
      You should:
1560
       a. Always use @Model.Property in Views.
1561
       b. Avoid @Html.Raw() unless absolutely needed.
1562
       c. Validate user input manually if raw HTML must be allowed.
1563
1564
1565
1566
1567
      Q79. What is ContentResult in MVC?
1568
1569
      Answer:
1570
      ContentResult returns plain text, HTML, XML, or JSON as response instead of a View.
1571
1572
      Example:
1573
1574
      public ContentResult HelloWorld()
1575
1576
           return Content("Hello, World!");
1577
1578
1579
       You can also set content type:
1580
       return Content("<h1>Hello</h1>", "text/html");
1581
1582
      Note: This is useful for returning small dynamic responses without rendering a full View.
1583
1584
1585
1586
1587
       Q81. How to implement custom Model Binder in MVC?
1588
1589
      Answer:
1590
      Create a class that implements IModelBinder:
1591
1592
      public class CustomDateBinder : IModelBinder
1593
1594
           public object BindModel(ControllerContext controllerContext, ModelBindingContext
      bindingContext)
1595
1596
               var value = bindingContext.ValueProvider.GetValue(bindingContext.ModelName);
1597
               DateTime date;
1598
               if (DateTime.TryParse(value.AttemptedValue, out date))
1599
                   return date;
1600
               return null;
1601
           }
1602
       }
1603
1604
       Register it in Global.asax:
1605
      ModelBinders.Binders.Add(typeof(DateTime), new CustomDateBinder());
1606
1607
       Now, MVC will use your binder whenever it encounters a DateTime binding.
1608
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1609
1610
1611
      Q82. What is Cross-Site Request Forgery (CSRF) and how does MVC prevent it?
1612
1613
1614 CSRF is an attack where unauthorized commands are transmitted from a user that the
     website trusts.
1615
1616 MVC prevents it using AntiForgeryToken:
1617
1618
     @using (Html.BeginForm())
1619
1620
         @Html.AntiForgeryToken()
1621
          // Form fields
1622
1623
1624
     Controller must have:
1625
1626
     [HttpPost]
1627
     [ValidateAntiForgeryToken]
1628
     public ActionResult Save(DataModel model)
1629
1630
          // Secure Save Logic
1631
      }
1632
1633
      This ensures form submissions are genuine.
1634
1635
1636
1637
     Q83. How to implement Attribute Routing in MVC?
1638
1639 Answer:
1640 Enable it in RouteConfig.cs:
1641 routes.MapMvcAttributeRoutes();
1642
1643
     Then decorate actions or controllers:
1644
      [Route("products/all")]
1645
     public ActionResult ListProducts()
1646
     {
1647
         return View();
1648
     }
1649
1650
      You can also add parameters:
1651
      [Route("products/{id:int}")]
1652
1653
     Note: Attribute routing gives you more control and cleaner URLs compared to
      convention-based routing.
1654
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1657
      Q84. What is Html.RenderAction and Html.Action difference?
1658
1659
     Answer:
1660
1661 Feature
                   Html.Action
                                                              Html.RenderAction
=========
1663 Return Type Returns MvcHtmlString (can use in Razor) Directly writes to Response
      stream
1664 Usage
                   @Html.Action("ChildAction")
      Html.RenderAction("ChildAction"); }
1665
      Performance Slightly slower
                                                              Slightly faster
1666
1667
1668
     Note: Use RenderAction if you don't need to manipulate the output in Razor.
1669
1670
1671
1672
      Q85. How do you maintain session in ASP.NET MVC?
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1673
1674
     Answer:
1675
      Session is maintained using Session object:
1676
1677
      Session["Username"] = "Karthik";
1678
1679 Retrieve it later:
1680 string username = Session["Username"] as string;
1681
1682
     Important:
1683
1684
     a. Sessions can be InProc (in memory), StateServer, or SQL Server-based.
1685
     b. Use Session carefully to avoid heavy memory usage.
1686
1687
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1690
      Q86. Difference between Server. Transfer and Response. Redirect?
1691
1692
     Answer:
1693
1694
1695 Feature
                      Server.Transfer
                                                      Response.Redirect
1696 Action
                      Transfers request internally
                                                     Redirects to a new URL
1697
     Browser
                      URL Remains the same
                                                      Changes to new URL
1698
     Performance
                     Faster (no extra round trip)
                                                     Slower (new HTTP request)
1699
1700 Note: Server.Transfer is rarely used in MVC. Response.Redirect is more common when you
      need to move to a different URL.
1701
1702
1703
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1705
      Q87. How do you create strongly typed views in MVC?
1706
1707
      Answer:
1708
      At the top of the View, declare the Model type:
1709
1710
      @model MyProject.Models.Product
1711
1712
      Then use:
1713
1714
       @Html.DisplayFor(m => m.Name)
1715
     @Html.EditorFor(m => m.Price)
1716
1717
      Strongly typed views provide:
1718
1719
      a. IntelliSense support
1720
     b. Compile-time checking
1721
      c. Better maintainability
1722
1723
1724
1725
1726
      Q88. How do you validate a Model using Data Annotations?
1727
1728
      Answer:
1729
      In Model class:
1730
1731
     public class Product
1732
     {
1733
           [Required]
1734
          public string Name { get; set; }
1735
1736
          [Range(1, 1000)]
1737
          public decimal Price { get; set; }
1738
      }
1739
1740
      In Controller:
```

```
1742
       if (ModelState.IsValid)
1743
1744
           // Save to database
1745
       }
1746
1747
      MVC will automatically validate based on the annotations.
1748
1749
1750
1751
1752
       Q89. What is Razor View Engine?
1753
1754
       Answer:
1755
       Razor is a markup syntax that lets you embed server-side code into web pages using @.
1756
1757
      Example:
1758
1759
      Hello, @Model.Name
1760
1761
      Benefits:
1762
1763
       a. Lightweight and clean
1764
      b. Easy to read
1765
       c. Intellisense support
1766
       d. Faster than old WebForms syntax
1767
1768
      Note: Razor engine compiles Views into C# classes behind the scenes.
1769
1770
1771
1772
1773
       Q90. How do you pass data from Controller to View in MVC?
1774
1775
      Answer:
1776
      You can use:
1777
       a. ViewBag: ViewBag.Message = "Hello";
1778
       b. ViewData: ViewData["Message"] = "Hello";
1779
       c. TempData (for redirect scenarios)
1780
       d. Model (preferred for large structured data)
1781
1782
       Example:
1783
1784
      return View (model);
1785
1786
      And in View:
1787
       @Model.PropertyName
1788
1789
      Note: Passing strongly typed Models is considered the best practice.
1790
1791
1792
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1794
       Q91. What are View Components in ASP.NET Core MVC?
1795
1796
       Answer:
1797
       View Components are similar to Partial Views but with more power:
1798
1799
       They have their own logic (like mini-controllers).
1800
1801
       They don't participate in routing.
1802
1803
       Create a View Component:
1804
       public class CartSummaryViewComponent : ViewComponent
1805
           public IViewComponentResult Invoke()
1806
1807
1808
               var cartCount = 5; // Fetch from DB or Session
1809
               return View(cartCount);
```

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1810
          }
1811
       }
1812
1813
       Invoke it in a View:
1814
       @await Component.InvokeAsync("CartSummary")
1815
1816
      Note: Perfect for building dynamic widgets like shopping carts, side menus, etc.
1817
1818
1819
1820
       Q92. What is Middleware in ASP.NET Core MVC?
1821
1822
1823
       Answer:
1824
      Middleware is software that sits in the request pipeline to handle HTTP requests and
       responses.
1825
1826
      Example custom middleware:
1827
1828
      public class RequestLoggerMiddleware
1829
1830
           private readonly RequestDelegate next;
1831
1832
           public RequestLoggerMiddleware(RequestDelegate next)
1833
               _next = next;
1834
1835
           }
1836
1837
           public async Task Invoke(HttpContext context)
1838
1839
               Console.WriteLine("Request: " + context.Request.Path);
1840
               await next(context);
1841
           }
1842
       }
1843
1844
       Configure in Startup.cs:
1845
       app.UseMiddleware<RequestLoggerMiddleware>();
1846
1847
      Middlewares are key for Cross-Cutting Concerns (logging, authentication, error handling).
1848
1849
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1851
       Q93. What is the difference between AddMvc() and AddControllersWithViews()?
1852
1853
      Answer:
1854
1855
1856
      Aspect
                               AddMvc()
                                                                        AddControllersWithViews()
1857
      Services Added
                               Controller + View + API + Razor Pages
                                                                       Controller + View Only
      Razor Pages Support
1858
                               Yes
                                                                        No
1859
      Use When
                               Building MVC + Razor Pages app
                                                                       Building pure MVC app
1860
1861
1862
      Note: In newer ASP.NET Core versions, prefer AddControllersWithViews() if you are only
       doing MVC (no Razor Pages).
1863
1864
1865
1866
       Q94. How can you validate complex nested Models in MVC?
1867
1868
       Answer:
1869
      Use IValidatableObject in the parent Model:
1870
1871
      public class Order : IValidatableObject
1872
1873
           public Customer CustomerInfo { get; set; }
1874
           public List<Product> Products { get; set; }
1875
1876
           public IEnumerable<ValidationResult> Validate(ValidationContext validationContext)
```

```
1877
1878
               if (Products.Count == 0)
1879
                   yield return new ValidationResult("At least one product is required.");
1880
           }
1881
       }
1882
1883
      This allows you to define cross-field validation inside your Model itself.
1884
1885
1886
1887
       Q95. What is the Repository Pattern in MVC?
1888
1889
      Answer:
1890
      Repository Pattern abstracts data access logic from business logic.
1891
1892
      Example interface:
1893
1894
     public interface IProductRepository
1895
1896
           IEnumerable<Product> GetAll();
1897
           Product GetById(int id);
1898
      }
1899
1900
      Concrete implementation:
1901
1902
      public class ProductRepository : IProductRepository
1903
1904
           public IEnumerable<Product> GetAll()
1905
1906
               // Fetch from DB
1907
           }
1908
       }
1909
1910
      Controller uses Repository:
1911
1912
      private readonly IProductRepository repo;
1913
      public ProductController(IProductRepository repo)
1914
      {
1915
           _repo = repo;
1916
       }
1917
1918
      Advantages:
1919
      a. Loose coupling
1920 b. Easier testing
1921
      c. Code reuse
1922
1923
      Q96. How do you handle multiple Submit buttons in MVC forms?
1924
1925
      Answer:
1926
      Use name and value attributes and detect in Controller:
1927
1928
     <form method="post">
1929
           <button name="action" value="Save">Save</button>
1930
           <button name="action" value="Cancel">Cancel</button>
1931
      </form>
1932
1933
       Controller:
1934
1935
      [HttpPost]
1936
      public ActionResult Submit(string action)
1937
1938
           if (action == "Save")
1939
               // Save logic
1940
           else if (action == "Cancel")
1941
               // Cancel logic
1942
           return View();
1943
       }
1944
1945
       Simple and effective way to differentiate buttons.
```

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1947
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1950
       Q97. What is Kestrel in ASP.NET Core?
1951
1952
      Answer:
1953
     Kestrel is the cross-platform web server used internally by ASP.NET Core.
1954
1955
     a. Lightweight
1956 b. High-performance
1957
      c. Handles HTTP traffic
1958
      d. Can be used directly or behind IIS, Nginx, Apache, etc.
1959
1960
      You configure it in Program.cs:
1961
      builder.WebHost.UseKestrel();
1962
1963
1964
1965
       Q98. What is API Versioning in Web API?
1966
1967
1968 API Versioning allows you to maintain multiple versions of your Web APIs without
      breaking existing clients.
1969
1970
      Install package:
1971
      Microsoft.AspNetCore.Mvc.Versioning
1972
1973
      Configure in Startup.cs:
1974
      services.AddApiVersioning(options =>
1975
1976
           options.AssumeDefaultVersionWhenUnspecified = true;
1977
           options.DefaultApiVersion = new ApiVersion(1, 0);
1978
       });
1979
1980
       Decorate Controllers:
1981
       [ApiVersion("1.0")]
1982
       [Route("api/v{version:apiVersion}/products")]
1983
      public class ProductsV1Controller : ControllerBase
1984
1985
      Now you can support /api/v1/products.
1986
1987
1988
1989
1990
       Q99. What are Razor Pages in ASP.NET Core MVC?
1991
1992
      Answer:
1993
      Razor Pages are a new way of building Web UIs in ASP.NET Core:
1994
1995
      a. Page-focused
1996
      b. File-based (.cshtml + .cshtml.cs)
1997
      c. No need for separate Controller classes
1998
1999
      Example page:
2000
2001
       /Pages/Products.cshtml
2002
2003
       @page
2004
       @model ProductsModel
2005
2006
       <h2>Products</h2>
2007
       PageModel (Products.cshtml.cs):
2008
2009
      public class ProductsModel: PageModel
2010
2011
           public void OnGet()
2012
2013
               // Load products
```

```
2014
         }
2015
      }
2016
2017
      Note: Perfect for simple CRUD apps!
2018
2019
2020
2021
2022
      Q100. What are the best practices you should follow in ASP.NET MVC?
2023
2024
      Answer:
2025
2026
      a. Always validate user input both on client and server side.
2027
      b. Use strongly-typed views, avoid using ViewBag/ViewData unless necessary.
2028
      c. Avoid putting business logic in Controllers; use Services.
2029
      d. Secure your application with AntiForgeryTokens.
2030
      e. Use Dependency Injection for better testability.
      f. Apply appropriate Filters (Authorization, Exception Handling).
2031
2032
       g. Optimize performance with Output Caching and Bundling.
2033
      h. Keep Controllers thin, Services thick (Fat Model - Thin Controller principle).
2034
       i. Use Repository Pattern and Unit of Work for data access abstraction.
2035
       j. Implement proper error handling and logging (Exception Filters, Global.asax).
```