

Lesson 02 Demo 01

Creating a RESTful Web Service with @RestControl

Objective: To create a basic web service using Spring Boot to build and deploy

RESTful APIs for various applications and use cases

Tool required: Eclipse IDE and Visual Studio Code

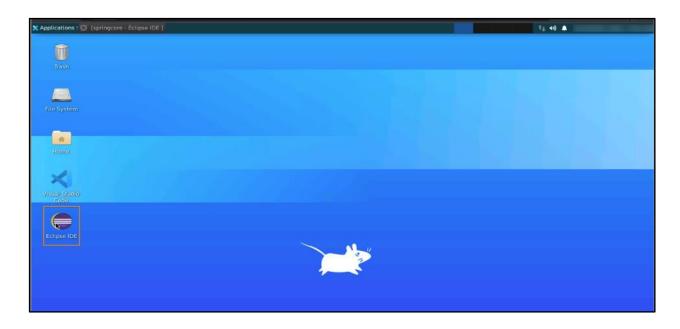
Prerequisites: None

Steps to be followed:

- 1. Implementing the web services that return a JSON file
- 2. Creating a Controller class
- 3. Implementing maps with key-value pair
- 4. Creating a News Model class

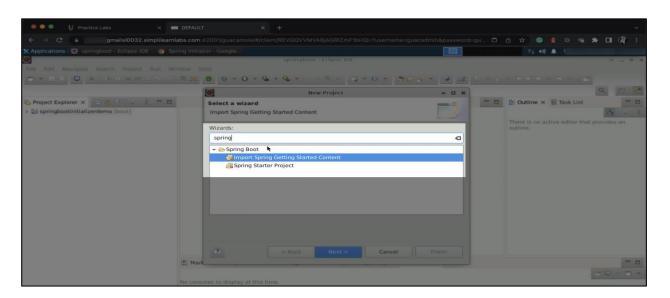
Step 1: Implementing the web services that return a JSON file

1.1 Open Eclipse IDE

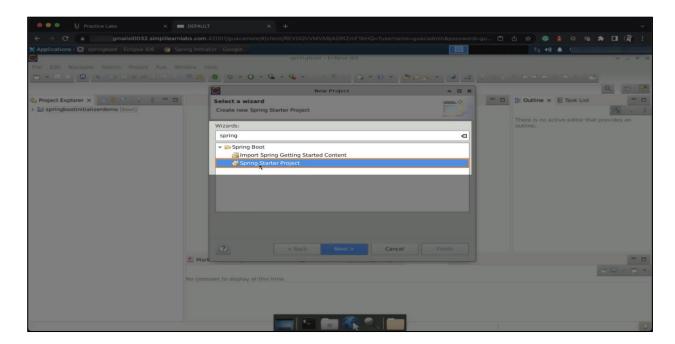




1.2 Create a Spring project, select File > New > Project and search for spring

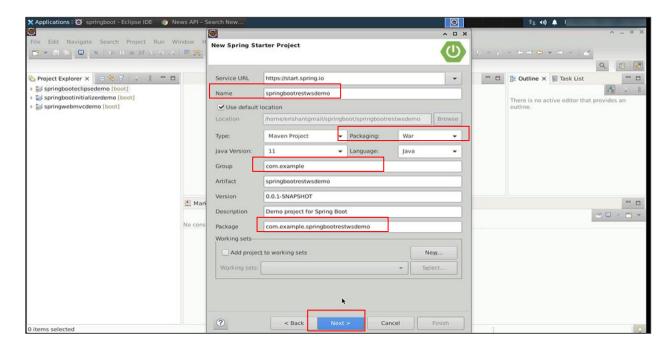


1.3 Select Spring Starter Project in the select wizard and click Next

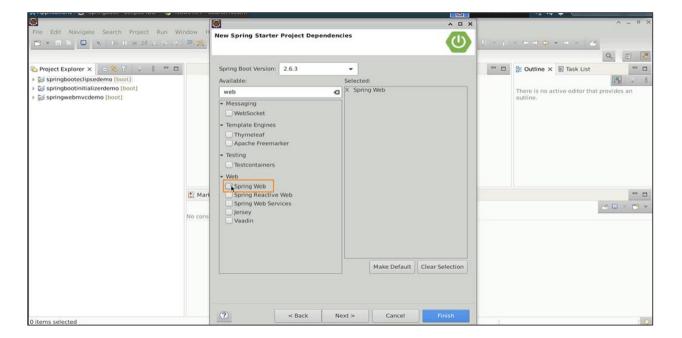




1.4 Provide a project name, such as **springbootrestwsdemo**, configure the project with Maven as the build tool, and choose the packaging as **War**

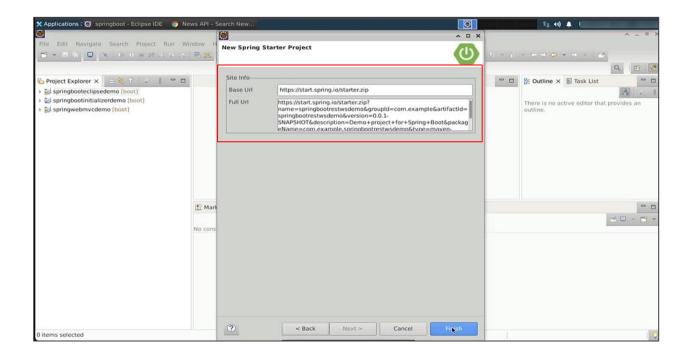


1.5 Search for **Spring Web**, add the dependency, and click **Finish**

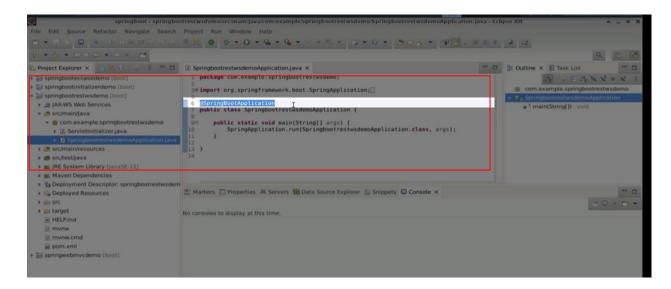




1.6 It will automatically sync your project from the Spring Starter website itself. Click Finish

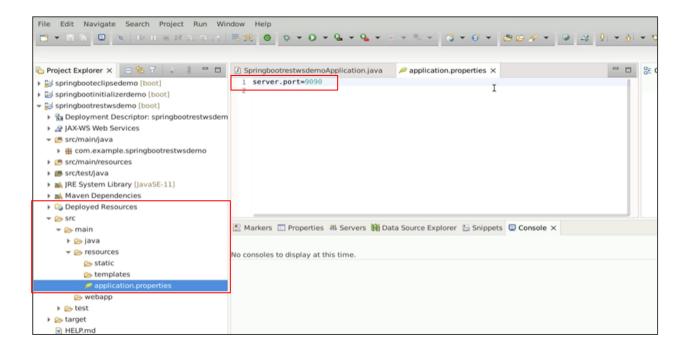


Whenever you create a Spring Boot project, by default, you will get one application file that is annotated with **@SpringBootApplication**.



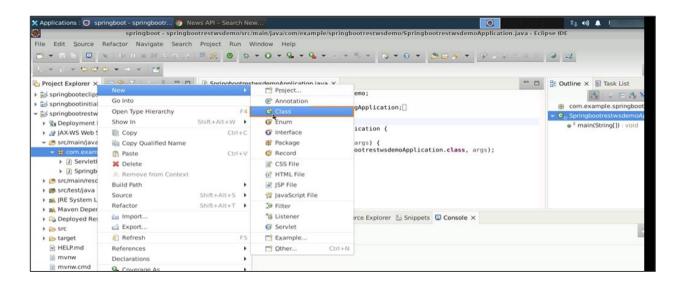


1.7 Open the application.properties file located in the src/main/resources directory and configure the server port by adding the property server.port=9090 (choose any port number)



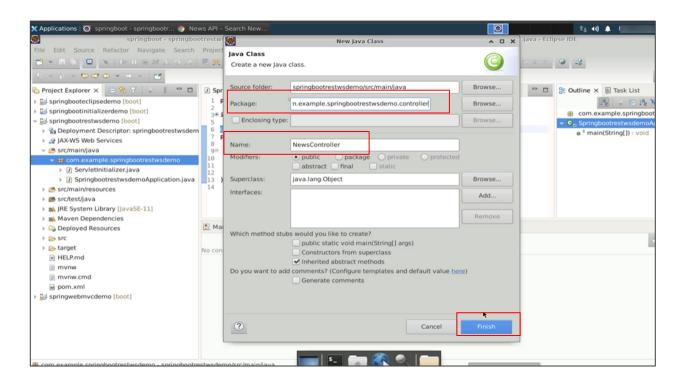
Step 2: Creating a Controller class

2.1 Right-click on com.example.springbootrestwsdemo package and click New > Class

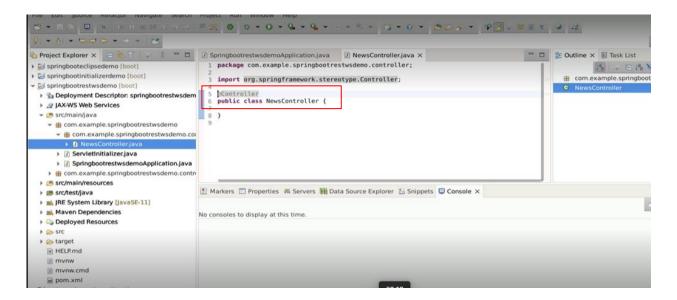




2.2 Name the class as **NewsController**, in the package field add .**controller** at the end, and click **Finish**



2.3 Annotate the class with @controller. When you mark your class as a controller using the annotation controller, you expect the class with the web method to return a template.





2.4 Add another annotation @RestController, which contains the response body

2.5 To create a RESTful API endpoint, start by annotating a public method with @GetMapping("/name") under the @RestController annotation. This method defines a public String method called appName() that returns the statement News Web App. Unlike a regular controller, where the response is typically a template, in a REST controller, the response is the actual text or HTML content by default.

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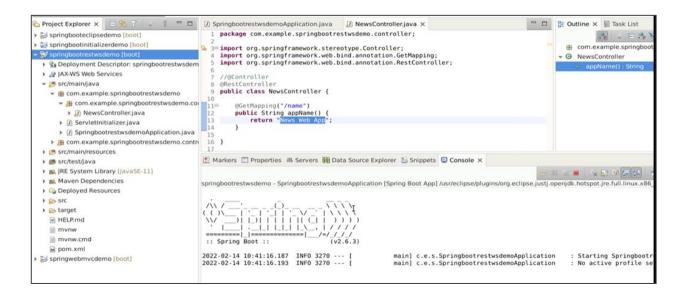
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2.6 Run the file springbootrestwsdemo as Spring Boot App and the Tomcat server will start

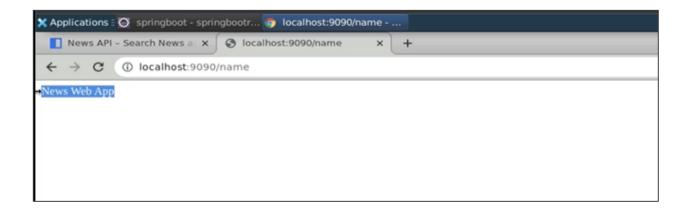


2.7 Search for **localhost 9090** in the browser. This will return an error because there is no default index page.

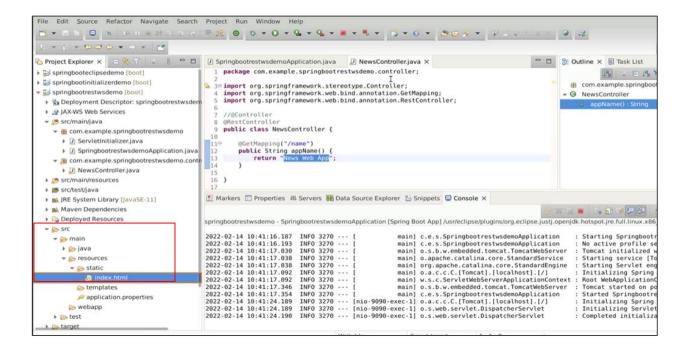




2.8 Now, add /name in the URL as localhost:9090/name. We have added this method to execute the return statement.



2.9 Take one of the Index pages from previously developed projects. You will have one static page **index.html** from a previous project.





2.10 In the **index page**, remove the navigation bar and the login page.

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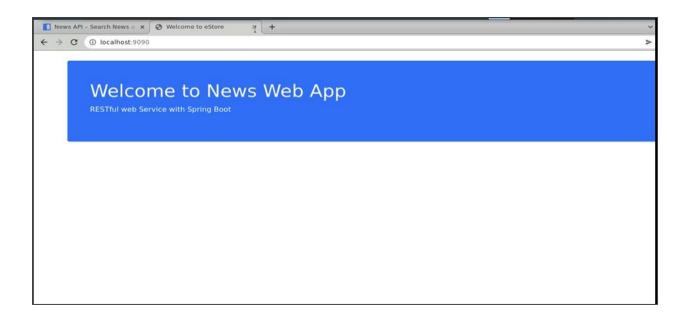
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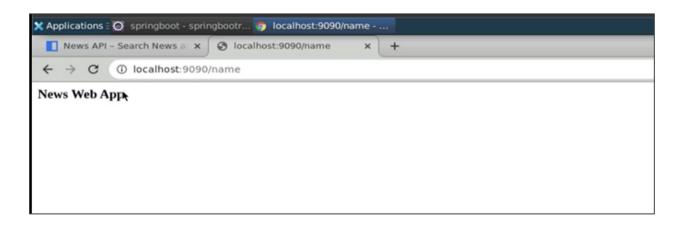
2.11 Replace <h1> Welcome to News Web App and Restful web service with Spring Boot. Now that you have an index speed, whenever you run the application, you will not find your web server giving errors. Save the file

2.12 With the configuration of this index page, return the HTML content in NewController.java. Stop the application and rerun the controller so that the changes are implied. Refresh the localhost:9090 browser and the following output is shown:





2.13 Add /name in the URL and the return statement in h3 tag is shown



Step 3: Implementing maps with key-value pair

3.1 In the web method, add a LinkedHashMap method with the string, object, getNews(), and @GetMapping with /news

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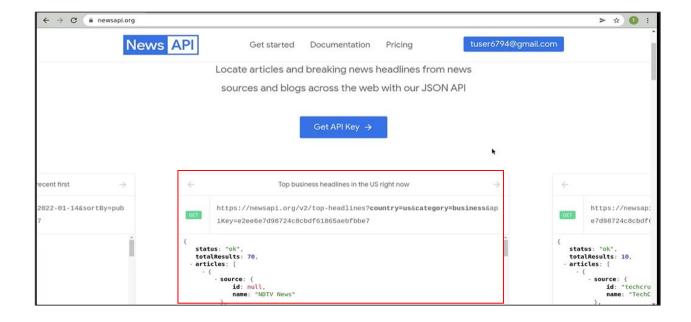


3.2 Create a LinkedHashMap, add a variable name newsMap, and start entering data

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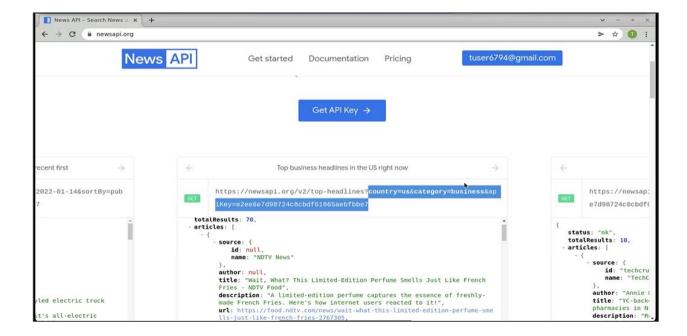
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    3@import java.util.LinkedHashMap;
  5 import org.springframework.stereotype.Controller;
    6 import org.springframework.web.bind.annotation.GetMapping;
     7 import org.springframework.web.bind.annotation.RestController;
    9 //@Controller
   10 @RestController
   11 public class NewsController {
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          @GetMapping("/name")
          public String appName() {
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              return "<h3>News Web App</h3>";
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          @GetMapping("/news")
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          public LinkedHashMap<String, Object> getNews(){
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              LinkedHashMap<String, Object> newsMap = new LinkedHashMap<String, Object>();
              newsMap.put("status", "On
newsMap.put("total", 0);
              newsMap.put("articles", new String[]{"Article1", "Article2", "Article3"});
              return newsMap;
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3.3 Use the **newsapi.org** website for mapping with the keys of **Top business headlines in the US**





3.4 Use the **highlighted URL** to access the web service



Let us now map the keys from the headline section, like status, total, and articles.

3.5 Run the code added in step 3.2

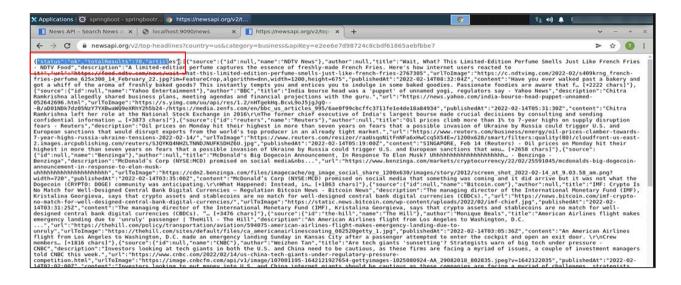
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newsMap.put("articles", new String[]{"Article1", "Article2", "Article3"});
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3.6 Open the localhost URL and change it to **localhost:9090/news** and select **Enter.** You can see that the JSON data is returned with the **status OK, total zero, and articles** having these three articles; it is a list being returned.



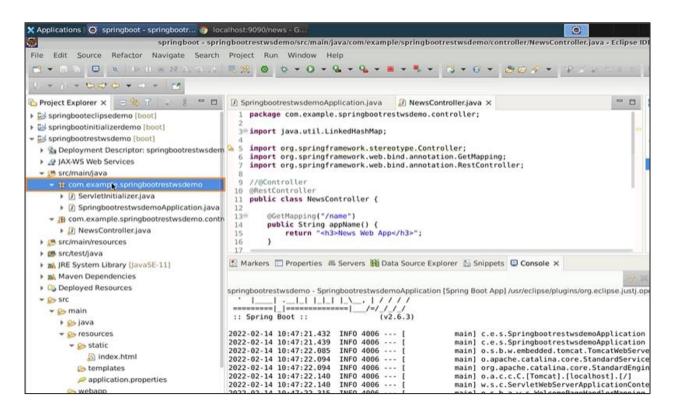
3.7 Copy the URL from **newsapi.org** and open it in the web browser. You would notice a similar output, where the articles are a list, but this list contains the object structure.





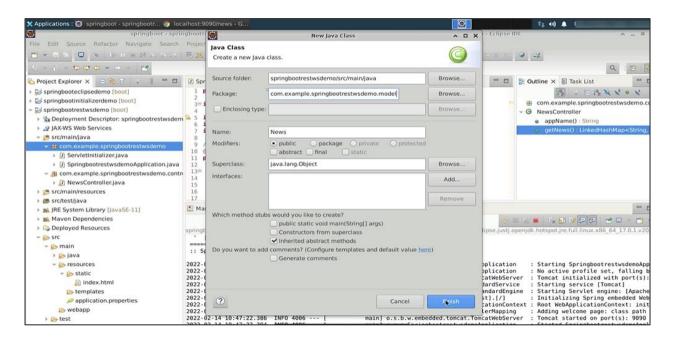
Step 4: Creating a News Model class

4.1 Create a new model class under the same parent package com.example.springbootrestwsdemo and right-click on the package > New > Class





4.2 Name the class as News and add .model in the package



4.3 Generate the default constructor, parameterized constructor, getters, setters, and a **toString()** method for the Address class

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4.4 Write newsMap.put() and add the key as articles and the value as the news list

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                 @GetMapping("/news")
               public LinkedHashMap<String, Object> getNews(){
                       LinkedHashMap<String, Object> newsMap = new LinkedHashMap<String, Object>();
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                      newsMap.put("status", "On
newsMap.put("total", 0);
                                                      "OK");
                      //newsMap.put("articles", new String[]{"Article1", "Article2", "Article3"});
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News news4 = new News("john", "News Article4", "Description of News Article4");
News news5 = new News("dave", "News Article5", "Description of News Article5");
News news6 = new News("john", "News Article6", "Description of News Article6");
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Ideally, the news objects can be pulled from the database.

4.5 Return to the **localhost:9090/news**. You have the status, a total of seven, articles with the author, title, and description for the news, and other articles. This matches with the author, title, and the description kind of syntax.

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