Laravel Developer Skills Assessment Test

1 - Explain the difference between `Route::get()`, `Route::post()`, and `Route::resource()`. Provide an example of when you would use each.

Ans -

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Route::get(): Used to fetch or show data
example - Route::get('/posts', [PostController::class, 'index']);

Route::post(): Used to submit or create data
example- Route::post('/posts', [PostController::class, 'store']);

Route::resource(): Creates all standard routes for a controller (CRUD)
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2. What is middleware in Laravel? Write a simple custom middleware to restrict access to users below 18 years of age based on a `birth_date` stored in the user model.

Answer - Middleware is a filter that runs before or after a request hits the controller.

It checks or modifies the request and can allow or deny access.

Block users under 18 based on their birth date.

example - Route::resource('posts', PostController::class);

Steps:

- 1. Create middleware:
 php artisan make:middleware AgeRestriction
- 2. In AgeRestriction.php:

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public function handle($request, Closure $next)
{
  $user = $request->user();
  if ($user && \Carbon\Carbon::parse($user->birth_date)->age < 18) {
     return response('Access Denied', 403);
  }
  return $next($request);
}
3.Register in bootstrap/app.php
$middleware->alias([ 'age.restrict' => \App\Http\Middleware\AgeRestriction::class, ]);
4.Use it:
Route::get('/restricted', function () {
  return 'Welcome adult!';
})->middleware(['auth:sanctum', 'age.restrict']);
Q3. What are relationships in Eloquent? Explain the difference between
`hasMany` and `belongsTo` with examples.
Answer - Relationships help link database tables using models.
hasMany: One-to-Many
Used when a model owns many of another model.
Example: A User has many Posts
public function posts()
    return $this->hasMany(Post::class);
Use: $user->posts; returns all posts by the user.
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belongsTo: Inverse of hasMany
Used when a model belongs to another model.
Example: A Post belongs to a User
// In Post.php
public function user()
{
  return $this->belongsTo(User::class);
}
Use: $post->user; returns the user who created the post.
 Q4 - What are Blade directives? Provide examples of `@if`, `@foreach`, and a
custom directive.
Answer - Used in Laravel views (Blade files) to simplify code.
      @if:
      @if($user->isAdmin)
       Welcome Admin
      @endif
@foreach:
@foreach($posts as $post)
 {{ $post->title }}
@endforeach
Custom Directive (in AppServiceProvider.php):
Blade::directive('datetime', function ($date) {
  return "<?php echo ($date)->format('d M Y'); ?>";
});
```

Use - @datetime(\$post->created_at)

Q 5 - How does Laravel's built-in authentication system work? What command would you use to scaffold authentication, and what files are generated?

Answer - We can quickly set up login/register using Laravel Breeze.

composer require laravel/breeze --dev
php artisan breeze:install
npm install && npm run dev
php artisan migrate

Files Generated:

• Routes: routes/web.php, routes/api.php, routes/auth.php

• Views: resources/views/auth/, resources/views/layouts/

Controllers: App\Http\Controllers\Auth*

• Models: User . php uses Laravel's built-in traits

• **Middleware**: Auth middleware is used to protect routes

Auth Workflow:

- 1. Registration → User created
- 2. Login → Session or Token generated
- 3. Middleware (auth) protects routes
- 4. Password resets, logout, etc., also available