

# Serialization Fundamentals

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# Serialization

```
{  
  "name": "Xavier Morera",  
  "courses": [ "Solr", "Spark", "Python", "T-SQL" ],  
  "since": "2014-01-14T00:00:00",  
  "happy": true,  
  "issues": null,  
  "car": {  
    "model": "Land Rover Series III",  
    "year": 1976  
  },  
  "authorRelationship": 1  
}
```

# Deserialization

Name	Value
▲ xavierAuthor	{m2_01_mapping_demo.Author}
🔑 authorRelationship	IndependentAuthor
▲ 🔑 car	{m2_01_mapping_demo.Car}
🔑 model	"Land Rover Series III"
🔑 year	"1976"
▲ 🔑 courses	{string[4]}
[0]	"Solr"
[1]	"Spark"
[2]	"Python"
[3]	"T-SQL"
🔑 favoriteAuthors	null
🔑 happy	true
🔑 issues	null
🔑 name	"Xavier Morera"
▶ 🔑 since	{2014-01-14 0:00:00}



# Serialization & Deserialization

**JsonSerializer**

**JsonReader**

**JsonWriter**



```
JsonSerializer serializer = new JsonSerializer();  
serializer.Serialize();
```

JsonSerializer

Class in charge of serialization and deserialization

Control & customization



```
string author = JsonConvert.SerializeObject(AuthorObject);  
                DeserializeObject<Author>(author);
```

JsonConvert

Easy to use

Wrapper over JsonSerializer



# Settings & Attributes

```
DeserializeObject<Author>(author), new  
    JsonSerializerSettings  
    {  
        Formatting = Formatting.Indented  
    });
```



# Settings & Attributes

```
new JsonSerializerSettings  
{  
    Formatting = Formatting.Indented  
});
```



# Settings & Attributes

```
new JsonSerializerSettings  
{  
    TypeNameHandling = TypeNameHandling.All,  
});
```





# Settings & Attributes

```
new JsonSerializerSettings  
{  
    DateFormatString = "dd/MM/yyyy"  
});
```



# Settings & Attributes

```
new JsonSerializerSettings  
{  
    Error = HandleDeserializationError  
});
```



# Demo



## Mapping JSON to/from .NET Using JsonConvert



# Demo



## Object References



# Demo



## Dynamic Demo



# Demo



## Serializing Objects



# Demo



## Deserializing Objects



```
{  
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  "courses": ["Solr", "Spark", "Python", "T-SQL"],  
  "since": "2014-01-14T00:00:00",  
  "happy": true,  
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  "car": {  
    "model": "Land Rover Series III",  
    "year": 1976  
  }  
}
```





```
public class Author
```

```
{
```

```
    public string name { get; set; }
```

```
    public string[] courses { get; set; }
```

```
    public DateTime since { get; set; }
```

```
    public bool happy { get; set; }
```

```
    public object issues { get; set; }
```

```
    public Car car { get; set; }
```

```
    public List<Author> favoriteAuthors { get; set; }
```

```
}
```

# One Size Fits All?



# JsonReader & JsonWriter

Large objects and files  
Non-cache, forward only  
Reading JSON

JsonReader

Control and Performance  
Non-cached, forward only  
Creating JSON

JsonWriter



# Demo



## Using the JsonSerializer Class



# Demo



## Using the JsonTextReader Class



# Demo



## Using the `JsonTextWriter` Class



# Dates in JSON



Dates are Tricky  
No Date Type



Javascript Dates  
String or Number

'Fri, 04 Sep 2015 01:21:31 GMT'  
1441329748



ISO 8601  
Microsoft Format  
Custom

"date": "2009-07-11T19:00:00-04:00"  
"date": "\VDate(1247353200)\V"



# Demo



## Dates in JSON



# Error Handling



## Errors happen all the time

- Especially with JSON generated by a third party

## Specify what to do with errors

- Handle
- Throw



# Demo



## Error Handling



# Takeaway



**Serialization**

**Deserialization**

**JsonSerializer**

**JsonConvert**

**Dates**

**Errors**

