

General REST API thought-design guidelines.

Use RESTful URLs and actions

- Identify what you can make into a resource and what you can't (This is influenced by your OO design)
- Are there things you want to include that are not CRUD based? E.g. Search. How will you do those?
- Will you consider Json for input, or will url encoding suffice?

Design the responses

- Gzip?
- Filter/Sort/Search/specific-parameters
- How will you handle timestamps (created, last updated etc)
- Overall limiting of output
 - Pagination?
 - Rate limiting?
- Error Handling
 - Error codes

Authentication and SSL

Caching

- Last modified or Etag?

Versioning