

# Lab 3: Connect your Lambda function to an API Gateway

Create a new Lambda function named Student#API matching your student number

Select the API Gateway trigger in your Lambda function,

Create a new API, Name it to match your student#, Name the deployment stage “lab3”, Set the security to “Open” and click Add :

The screenshot shows the AWS Lambda console interface for configuring a trigger. The top section, titled "Add triggers", lists various triggers on the left, with "API Gateway" selected. The main area shows the "student0API" trigger configuration. Below this, the "Configure triggers" section provides detailed settings for the API Gateway endpoint.

**Add triggers**  
Click on a trigger from the list below to add it to your function.

- API Gateway
- AWS IoT
- CloudWatch Events
- CloudWatch Logs
- CodeCommit
- Cognito Sync Trigger
- DynamoDB

**student0API**

- API Gateway (Configuration required)

Add triggers from the list on the left

- Amazon CloudWatch Logs
- Amazon DynamoDB
- Amazon S3

Resources the function's role has access to will be shown here

**Configure triggers**

We'll set up an API Gateway endpoint with a [proxy integration type](#) (learn more about the [input](#) and [output](#) format). Any method (GET, POST, etc.) will trigger your integration. To set up more advanced method mappings or subpath routes, visit the [Amazon API Gateway console](#).

**API**  
Pick an existing API, or create a new one.  
Create a new API

**API name**  
Enter a name to uniquely identify your API.  
student0

**Deployment stage**  
The name of your API's deployment stage.  
lab3

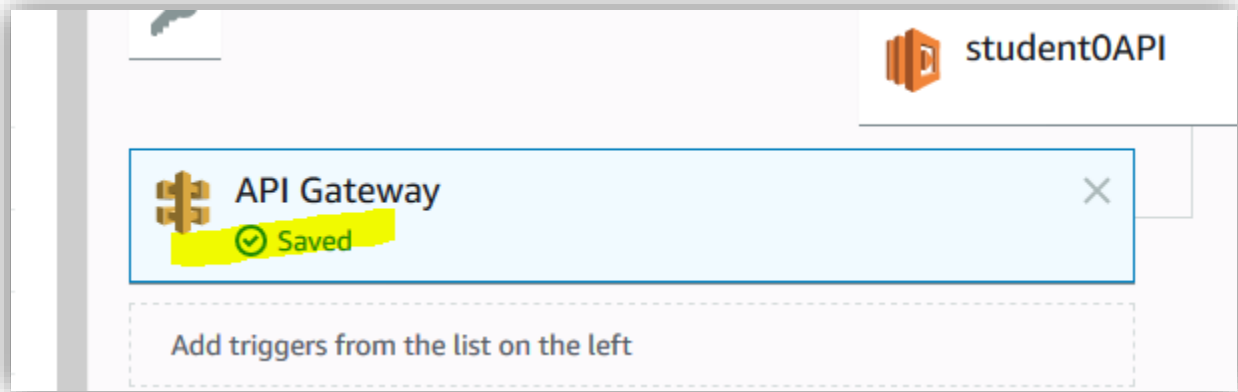
**Security**  
Configure the security mechanism for your API endpoint.  
Open

Warning: Your API endpoint will be publicly available and can be invoked by all users.

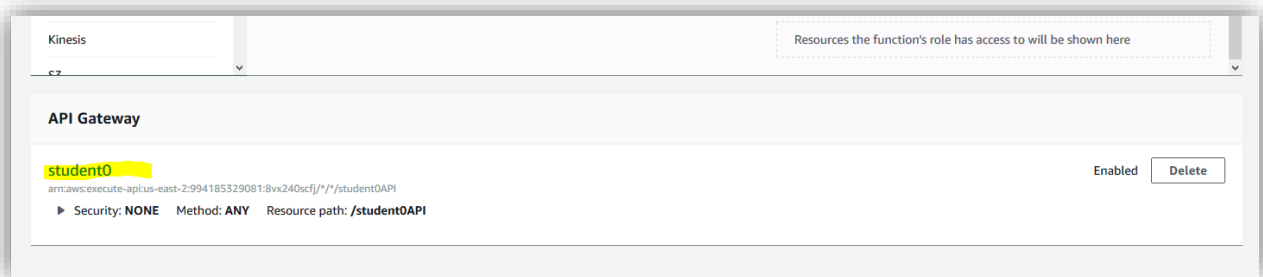
Lambda will add the necessary permissions for Amazon API Gateway to invoke your Lambda function from this trigger. [Learn more](#) about the Lambda permissions model.

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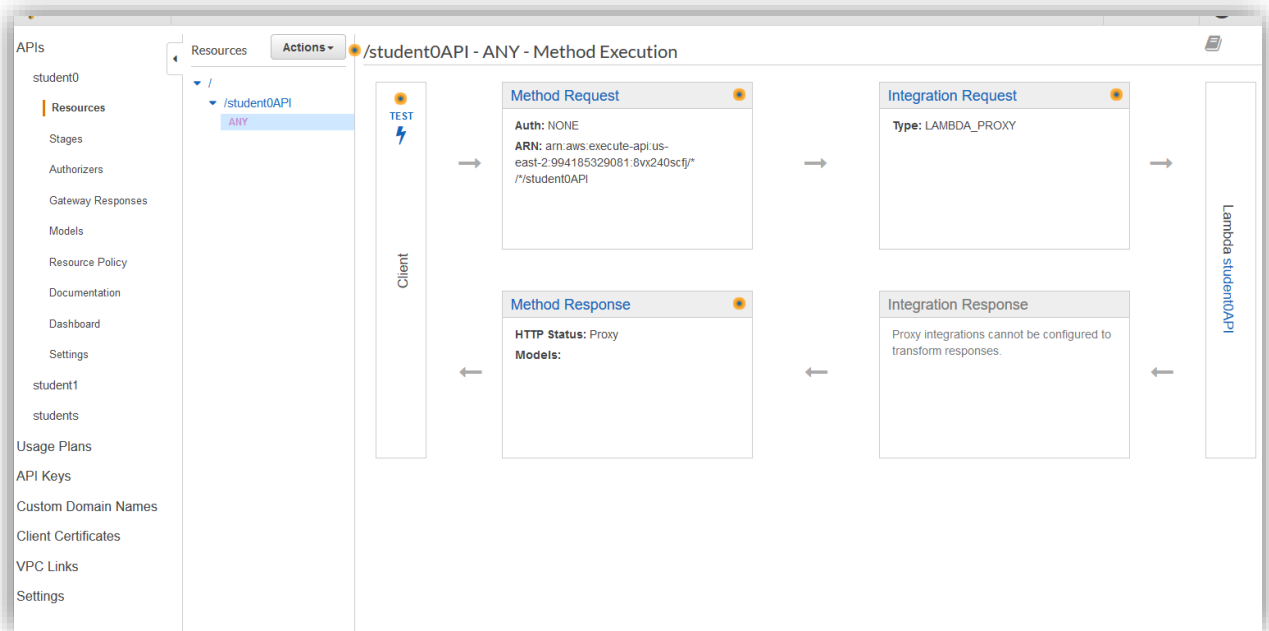
Your API Gateway should be automatically configured once you click save in the upper right hand corner:



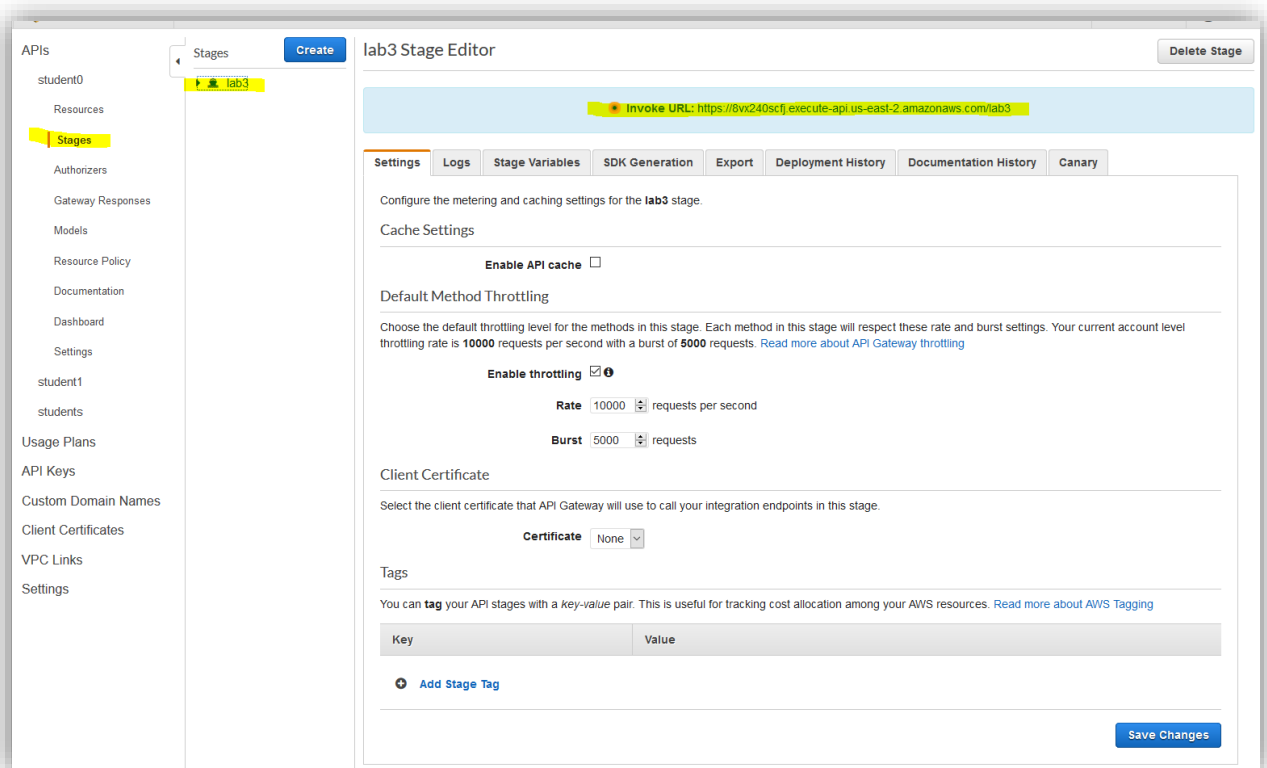
Click on the API Gateway trigger that is attached to the function in the designer, it will have a link matching what you named the gateway. Clicking it will take you to the API Gateway management console:



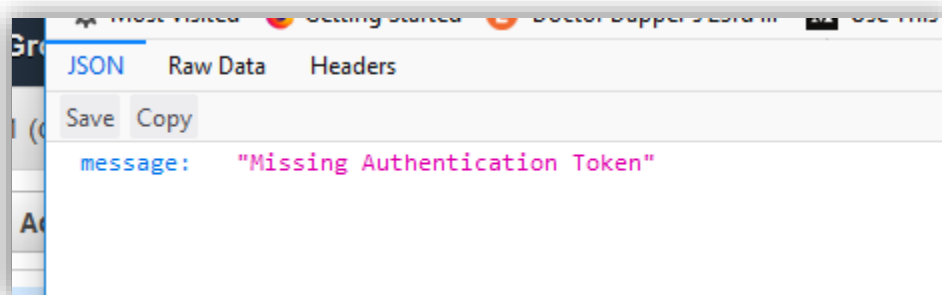
In the API management console, you can see the flow and mappings for the requests, and the functions:



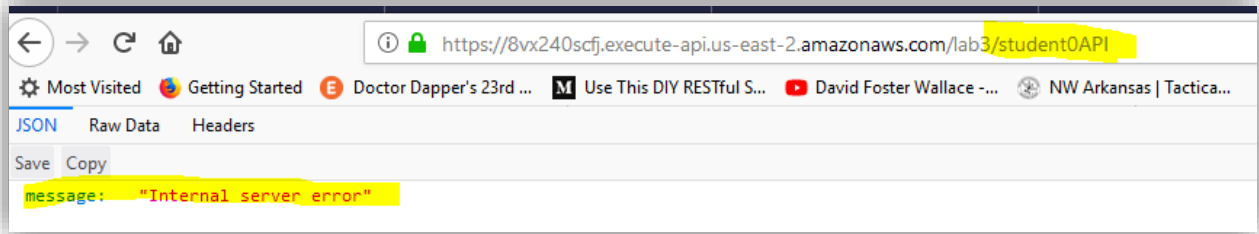
To be able to access your API, you will need to find the invocation URL. Click on Stages, then “lab3”. You will see the invocation URL at the top. Click on it:



Going to the root URL of an API gateway will give you a not very helpful error that you are missing an auth token. In fact the issue is that you haven't gone to an actual API endpoint:

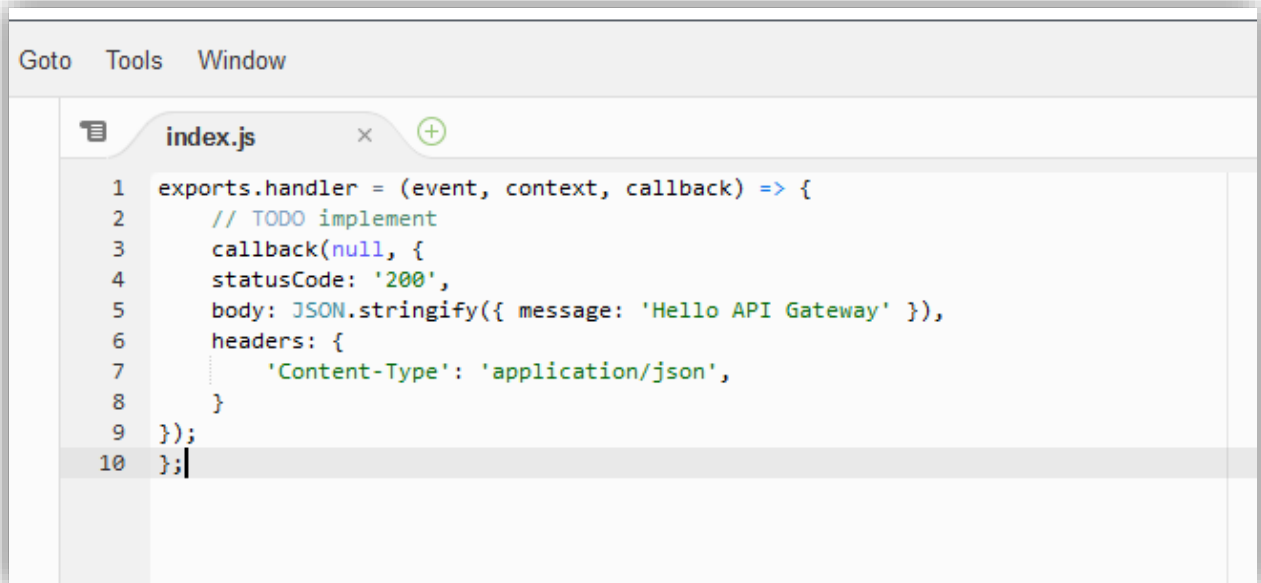


Add /student#API or whatever you named your function to the end of the URL and you should be presented with a new error message:



Lambda functions have to return at minimum a status code, otherwise the API gateway defaults to a gateway error 502. Modify our new lambda function to have the following code:

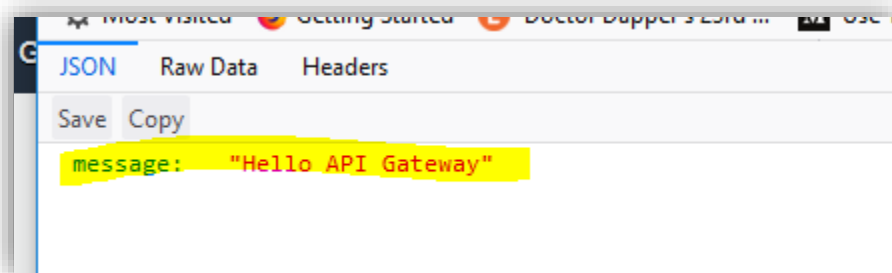
```
exports.handler = (event, context, callback) => {  
  const response = {  
    statusCode: 200,  
    body: JSON.stringify({ message: 'Hello API Gateway' }),  
    headers: {  
      'Access-Control-Allow-Origin': '*',  
      'Content-Type': 'application/json'  
    }  
  };  
  console.log(response);  
  callback(null, response);  
};
```



The screenshot shows a code editor window with a menu bar (Goto, Tools, Window) and a tab for 'index.js'. The code is as follows:

```
1 exports.handler = (event, context, callback) => {  
2   // TODO implement  
3   callback(null, {  
4     statusCode: '200',  
5     body: JSON.stringify({ message: 'Hello API Gateway' }),  
6     headers: {  
7       'Content-Type': 'application/json',  
8     }  
9   });  
10  };
```

Save the function, and try hitting the API again:



Congratulations, you now have a Lambda service that is accessible from the outside world.