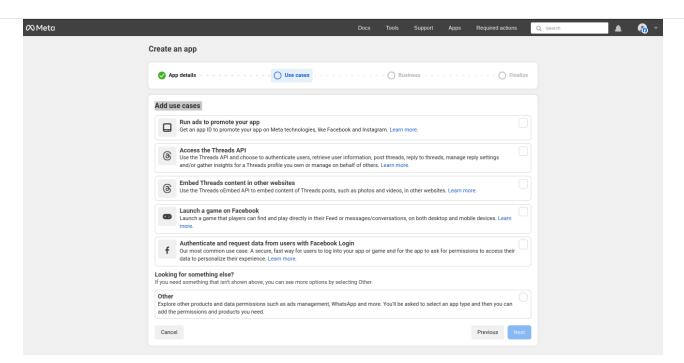


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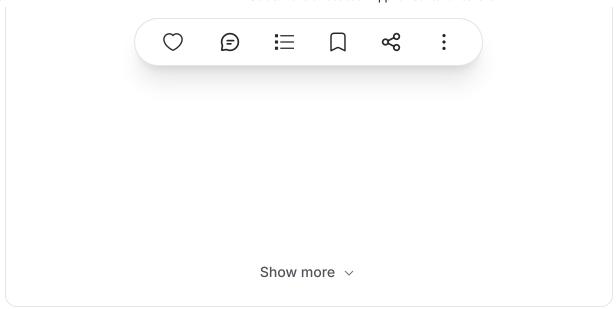




Tutorial. Create facebook app and set permission to fetch posts, photos, etc



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Screenshots e links.

Sensible data like app id are hidden

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Intro:

Below there are the steps to.

- create the facebook app;
- set up permission to fetch posts, photos, and albums from your Facebook
 Page.

Your starting point is the link https://developers.facebook.com/apps/creation/

and the **screenshot 00 and 01,** these help you to during the Facebook App creation process.

Steps to create the app:

- 1. Create facebbok account and login.
- 2. Visit https://developers.facebook.com/apps/creation/
- 3. Look screenshot 00 and 01,
- Fill fields:
 app name;
 email;
- 5. Click **Next** to proceed.
- 6. Select "Other" (at the bottom of the list).
 - This option allows you to manually choose Page-related permissions later.
 - Click Next to proceed.

7. Select App Type:

• Choose Consumer.

8.	Fina	alize App S	
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	•	Enter your	
	•	Click Create App.	

9. Now the facebook app is created.

Below there are the steps to:

- 1. get some info like app id;
- 2. set up permission to fetch photos etc, which is your main purpose.

Token interlude:

Before to talk about Steps to get app id etc, make some clarificaion.

Your purpose is to download posts and photos from a Facebook page via the Graph API, as the **page administrator**, you need the following:

1. Tokens and Credentials You Need

- This are fake data, customize them
- App ID: 48777777777771 (your app's ID).
- App Secret: 73b6s6weh36e36dr6 (your app's secret).
- User Access Token: A token with the manage_pages and pages_read_engagement permissions.
- Page Access Token: A token for the specific page you want to access.

2. Why You Need "	- •	

- App ID and App Secret: These are required to authenticate your app and generate tokens.
- **User Access Token**: This token allows you to access the pages you manage and request a **Page Access Token**.
- Page Access Token: This token is specific to the page and allows you to interact with its content (e.g., download posts and photos).

3. App Type: Business or Consumer?

- Simplest Solution: Use a Consumer app.
 - A Consumer app is easier to set up and manage for personal or smallscale use.
 - A Business app is more complex and is typically used for large-scale integrations or business purposes, and probably require business veriication,
 - like tax id, etc..

Steps to get app id etc:

- 1. See screenshot 02 and 03.
- 2. Go to https://developers.facebook.com/apps/
- 3. You can see your app id, say 487777777777771.
- 4. Now visit "App Settings" https://developers.facebook.com/apps/ 48777777777777 /settings/

- 5. Choose the Co
 - This tab contains the App ID, App Secret, Contact Email, and Privacy
 Policy URL, which are essential for API authentication and approval.
 - Say your app secred is 73b6s6weh36e36dr6, as fake example.
- 6. Fields to set up in the app setting/basic Tab
 - 1. App ID → Needed for API authentication.
 - 2. **App Secret** → Used for secure API requests (keep it private).
 - 3. Contact Email → Required for Facebook verification.
 - 4. **Privacy Policy URL** → Add a valid URL for Facebook API approval.
 - 5. **Terms of Service URL** (optional but recommended).
 - Business Verification → Start this process if needed for advanced API access.
- Fields to Select in the app setting/Advanced Tab
 Proceed to Advanced settings only if you need extra security (e.g., IP restrictions).

Steps to set the Permissions:

- 1. See screenshot 04, 05, 06.
- 2. Go to "App Review" → "Permissions & Features":

 https://developers.facebook.com/apps/ 48777777777777 /app-review/permissions/
 - We would request the following permissions.
 - For short, we call them app001p0001.
 - pages_read_engagement (View posts, comments, and reactions)

- pages_show_list (View a list of the Pages you manage)
- pages_manage_metadata (Access Page insights)
- 3. Permissions in "App Review" → "Permissions & Features" are categorized as either:
 - 1. Available immediately (without a test API call)
 - 2. Require a test API call before requesting advanced access
- 4. So, in particular, some of the permissions **app001p0001** can be enabled **without** making a "test API call."

Permissions You Can Enable Without a Test API Call.

- **✓ pages_show_list** View a list of the Pages you manage.
- 5. On the other side , some of the permissions app001p0001 can be enabled just after you make a "test API call."

Permissions That Require a Test API Call.

- pages_read_engagement View posts, comments, and reactions.
- <u>↑</u> pages_read_user_content Read Page posts and comments.
- <u>↑</u> pages_manage_posts Create and manage posts.
- pages_manage_metadata Access Page insights.

Below a **step-by-step guide** on how to make the test API call!

Step-by-Step Guide: Make a Test API Call for app001p0001 in Facebook Graph API Explorer.

Remember:

• the app name is app001.

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• since some **permissions require a test API call** before you can request advanced access, follow these steps to complete the test for app001p0001.

Step 1: Open Graph API Explorer

- Go to Facebook Graph API Explorer
 https://developers.facebook.com/tools/explorer/
- Select your App Name → app001 from the top-left dropdown.
 Ensure you are logged in with the Admin account that manages the Page.
- select app token.In this case say you get fake app token: "H&hnH6HG6gHT"
- 4. Alternatively, to get app token, Run bash command. In this case you get:

fake app token: "H&hnH6HG6gHT"

user001@debian:/tmp\$ curl -G "https://graph.facebook.com/oauth/acc
{"access_token":"48777777777771|H&hnH6HG6gHT","token_type":"bea
user001@debian:/tmp\$

- 5. In https://developers.facebook.com/tools/explorer/ select user token, this works for short term
- 6. exchange a short-lived User Access Token for a long-lived User Access Token in Facebook's Graph API.

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curl -G "https://graph.facebook.com/v22.0/me/accounts" -d "access_t
SxA86spBiuaZBBpbW21z5XArSPAASAnLCXEe1GxV8pdZAyvSrHUCVPD6E0K8oQ39QeLZCG\"

Step 2: Generate a Test User Access Token

- 1. Click "Get Token" → "Get User Access Token".
- 2. In the pop-up, enable the following **permissions from** app001p0001:
 - pages_read_engagement
 - pages_read_user_content
 - pages_manage_posts
 - pages_show_list
 - pages_manage_metadata
- 3. Click **Continue**, grant the requested permissions, and copy the generated token.

Step 3: Make Test

You now need to test each permission by making API requests.

Test pages_read_engagement

Fetch page posts, comments, and reactions:

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GET /{page-id}/feed?fields=message,comments,likes.summary(true)&a
```

Test pages_read_user_content

• Fetch user-generated posts and comments:

```
COPY

GET /{page-id}/published_posts?fields=message,comments&access_tok
```

Test pages_manage_posts

Create a test post on your page:

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POST /{page-id}/feed
Params:
message=Test API Post
access_token=YOUR_USER_ACCESS_TOKEN
```

Test pages_show_list

Get a list of Pages you manage:



Test pages_manage_metadata

Fetch page insights:



Step 4: Validate the API Response

- If the response returns data successfully, you have successfully tested the permission.
- If you receive an **error** (e.g., (#10) This permission requires approval), double-check:
 - You granted the correct permissions in Step 2.
 - You are using the correct page ID.
 - The access token is valid.

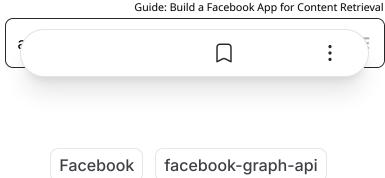
Step 5: Submit for Advanced Access

- 1. Go to Facebook App Review.
- 2. Click "App Review" → "Permissions & Features".
- 3. Find each permission in app001p0001 and click "Request Advanced Access".

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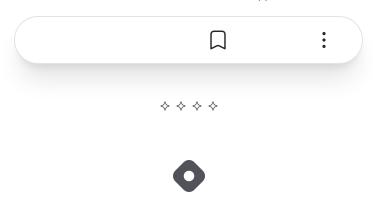


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