

# Validating Messages and Error Handling



# Objectives

After completing this lesson, you should be able to:

- Validate a message
- Describe basic fault handling and propagation
- Handle errors in Service Bus



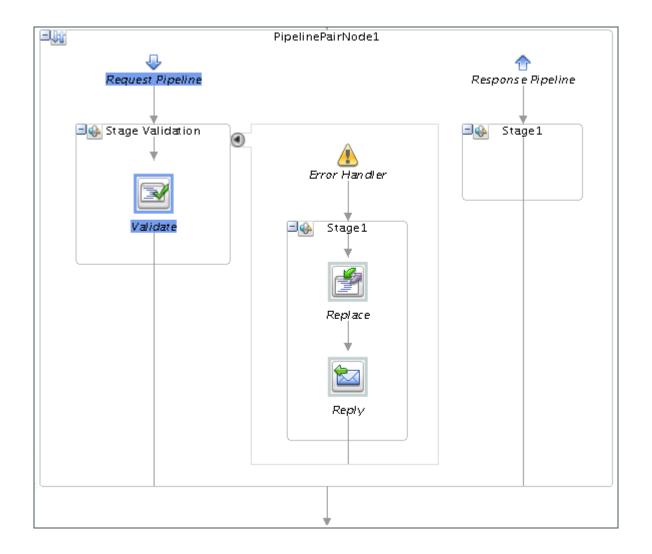
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- Message validation
- Fault handling
- Reporting



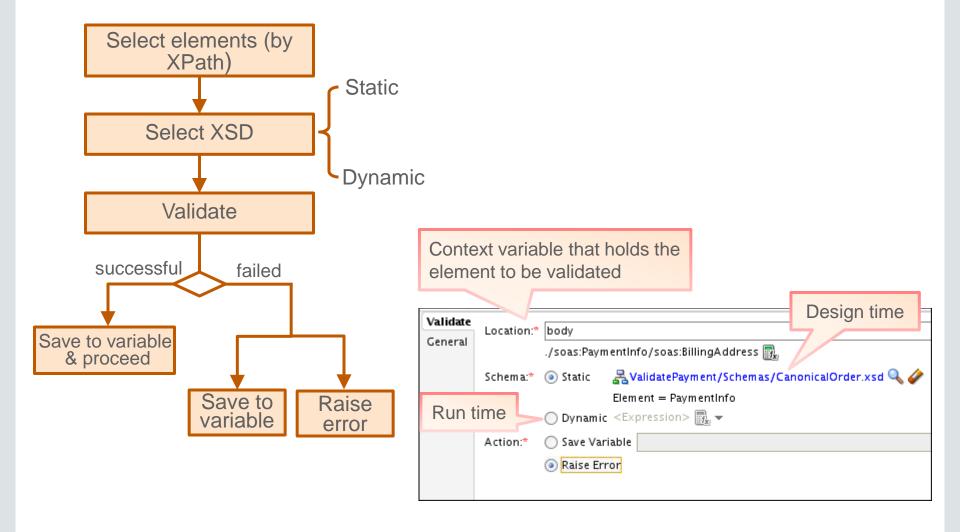
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# Message Validation





#### Validate Action



### **Dynamic Validation**

Allows the user to select the resource (WSDL or schema) to validate against, based on the result of XQuery expression at run time.

Example of dynamically specifying a schema resource:

#### Quiz



The Validate action validates elements selected by an expression.

- a. XPath
- b. XQuery
- c. XSLT
- d. nXSD

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#### Faults: Overview

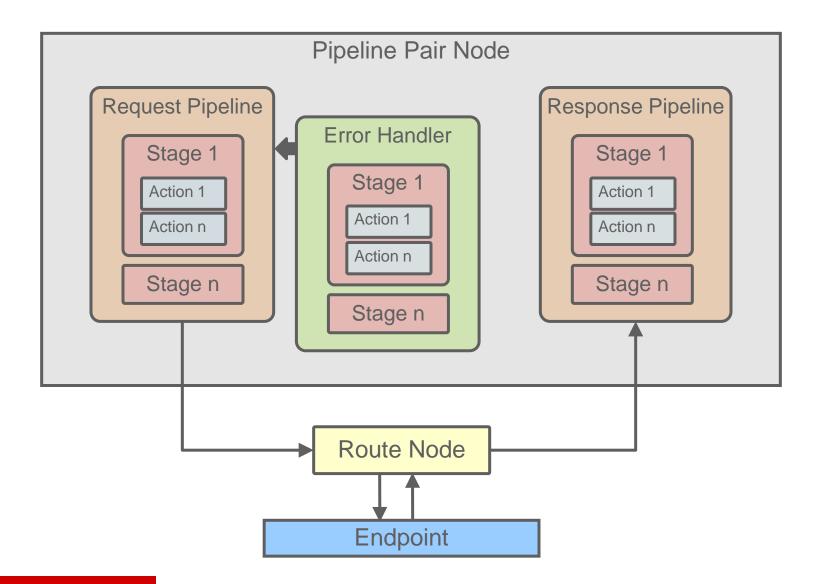
- Faults:
  - Errors encountered during the execution of an application
  - Similar to exceptions in Java
- Types of faults:
  - Business faults:
    - Exceptional business behavior: Caused by a failure to meet a certain business rule
    - Faulty operation by users: Caused by human errors
  - Runtime/technical faults:
    - Software errors: Caused by programming bugs in applications
    - Technical errors: Caused by problems in the infrastructure on which applications run

## Fault-Handling Challenges

The handling and propagation (passing on) of faults is a multidimensional problem. Strategies for fault handling must consider the following:

- Fault type
  - Business
  - Runtime (technical)
- Interaction type
  - Synchronous
  - Asynchronous
- Transactionality of the services involved

## Handling Errors in OSB

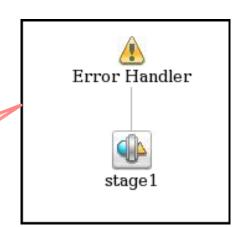




#### **Error Handlers**

- An error handler is a special stage where a set of actions can occur if something goes wrong.
- The following error handler scopes are defined:
  - Stage
  - Route node
  - Pipeline pair (both Request Pipeline and Response Pipeline individually)
  - Pipeline service
- If no error handler is defined, there is a default system error handler.

All configuration for an error handler is in one or more stages contained by the error handler.

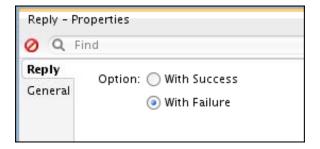


#### \$fault Variable

- A predefined context variable used to hold information about any error that occurs during message processing
- Populated before the appropriate error handler is invoked
- Includes the following subelements:
  - errorCode
  - reason
  - details
  - location
  - java-exception
  - stack-trace

## Reply Action

- Specify that an immediate reply be sent to the invoker
- Can be used in the request, response, or error pipeline
- Can be configured to result in a reply with success or failure





# Generating Error Messages Using Reply Action

The type of error returned depends on the transport used.

Transport	Error Returned
HTTP	HTTP 500
JMS	Sets the JMS_BEA_Error property to true
SOAP	SOAP fault



#### Quiz

The smallest error handler scope you can define is at action level.

- a. True
- b. False

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## Reporting Actions

- The Reporting Actions category has actions to log or report errors and generate alerts if required in a message flow in a stage.
- There are three types of actions:

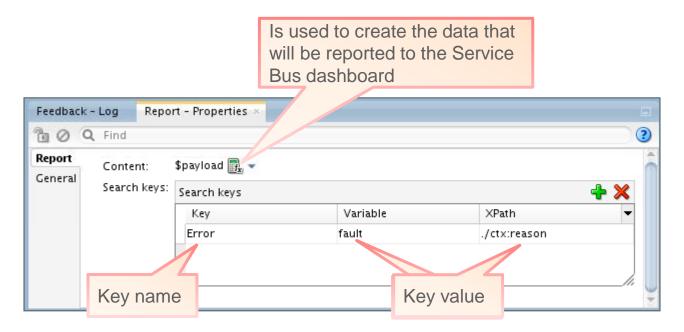
Report	Enable message reporting for a proxy service.
Log	Construct a message to be logged.
Alert	Send an alert notification based on pipeline message context.



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### Report Action

The Report action allows you to extract information from each message and write it to the OSB Reporting Data Stream.



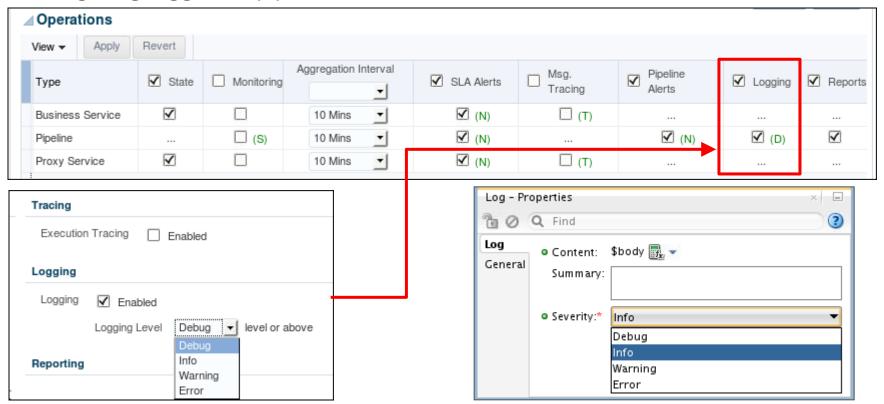


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### Log Action

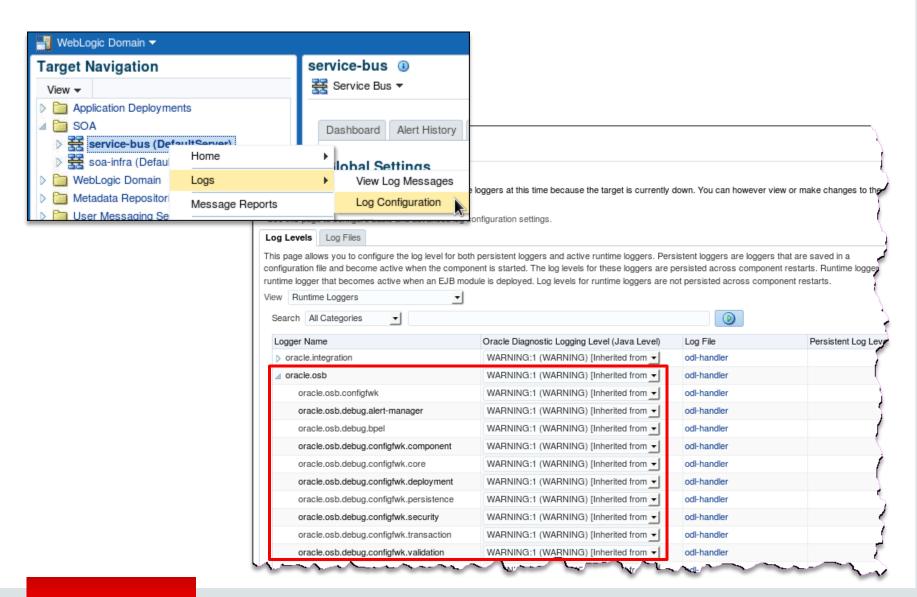
- Ensure that global and pipeline logging are enabled in EM.
- Configure log level at OSB and pipeline level.

#### Configuring logger for pipeline



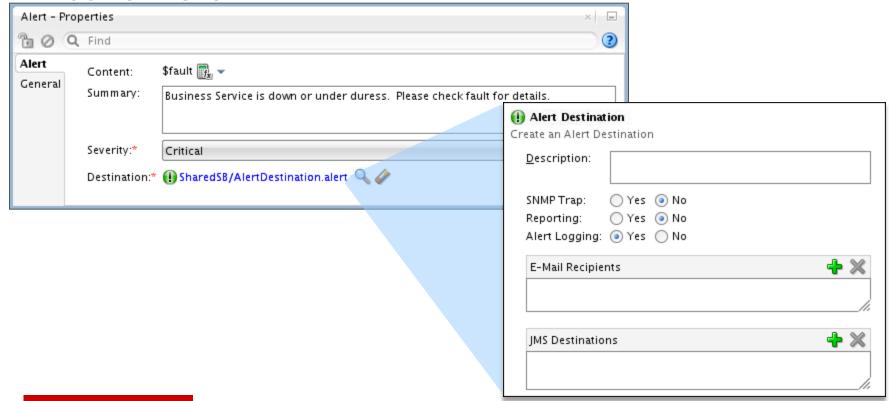


## Configuring OSB Log Level



#### Alert Action

- Alert action is for business use or reporting errors, and not for monitoring system health.
- Pipeline alerting should be enabled for the service or at the domain level.



# Summary

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- Validate a message
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#### Practice 5: Overview

- 5-1: Importing template resources and creating a business service
- 5-2: Creating the pipeline that validates messages using the Pipeline template

