

Now that you've completed the section, let's see if you can answer these questions. The answer sheet is available as a PDF in the "Support Files" folder.

### Section 3: Creating an API

- 1) If you want to have an immutable entity, what is required to be able to use it in a rest controller?
  - a. You can't have immutable entities. The mapper needs a setter to fill in the data, but the setter can be package-private.
  - b. You need a constructor that gets all field values as parameters.
  - c. The Constructor needs the **@JsonCreator** annotation.
  - d. You need a factory method instead of an all-fields constructor.
  - e. The parameters need the **@JsonProperty** annotation.
- 2) When you add hypermedia links to an entity, what is an important criteria to take care of?
  - a. To have a link called **id** because every rest entity has an ID that points to the entity
  - b. To have a link called **self** because every rest entity should have a self link that points to the entity
  - c. The HTTP method should be stated in the link, so clients know which HTTP methods are allowed
  - d. Links should point to actions such as add and delete
  - e. Links should point to resources
  - f. All links should also be present in the service document
- 3) When your controller returns a generic class like **List<ENTITY>**, which among the following functions will you use to create the correct class from the JSON?
  - a. **mapper.readValue(result, List<ENTITY>.class);**
  - b. **mapper.readValue(result, new List<ENTITY>());**
  - c. **mapper.readValue(result, new ArrayList<ENTITY>());**
  - d. **mapper.readValue(result, new TypeReference<List<ENTITY>>() {})**
  - e. This is not possible; you have to create a concrete class that is fully typed.
- 4) When you use the **linkTo(methodOn(...))** link builder, which among the following criteria is important when dealing with method parameters?
  - a. You can set all to null
  - b. You might have to provide bogus values when the method is overloaded with multiple implementations
  - c. You need to provide values for all fields
  - d. Values that are fetched from the URL path need to be matching the desired entity
  - e. Values that are fetched from **RequestBody** need to be matching the desired entity
  - f. Values that are fetched from the URL parameters need to be matching the desired entity
- 5) Which among the following ways to control the HTTP status are valid?
  - a. Use **ResponseEntity<>** as the return value and provide the status here
  - b. Use **HttpEntity<>** as the return value and provide the status here
  - c. Throw an Exception and catch it in a method annotated with **@ExceptionHandler**