

Working with 3rd party APIs

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What is an API?

Application Programming Interface (API)

allows applications to communicate with one another

When people speak of "an **API**", they sometimes generalize and actually mean "a publicly available web-based **API** that returns data"

Countries API

https://restcountries.eu

Let's play with the API



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```
>>> requests.get('https://api.github.com')

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Status codes

Request headers and query parameters

```
response = requests.get(
    'https://api.github.com/search/repositories',
    params={'q': 'requests+language:python'},
    headers={'Accept': 'application/vnd.github.v3.text-match+json'},
)
```

Other methods

```
>>> requests.post('https://httpbin.org/post', data={'key':'value'})
>>> requests.put('https://httpbin.org/put', data={'key':'value'})
>>> requests.delete('https://httpbin.org/delete')
>>> requests.head('https://httpbin.org/get')
>>> requests.patch('https://httpbin.org/patch', data={'key':'value'})
>>> requests.options('https://httpbin.org/get')
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Now programatically!

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Create a python function

def get_country_language(country):

. . .

. . .

return language

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