

Create Resource Classes

In this section, we will need to create the *resource* classes so we can provide an intermediary between the UI components and services. Resource classes are used for defining the Application Programming Interface (API).

Note: APIs are a best practice and used to separate backend software from frontend software. This provides a clean separation in behavior and responsibilities for the software components.

The hotel reservation application will have two resources, the `HotelResource` intended for public usage and the `AdminResource` intended for the hotel staff only.

Here are the main steps you'll need to complete to create the service classes:



Create a new package

Now it's time to create our `api` package so we can start to add our api classes.

- ☐ Create a new package under the source folder named `api`



Create the HotelResource class

Next you'll need to create the **HotelResource class**. The `HotelResource` should have little to no behavior contained inside the class and should make use of the Service classes to implement its methods. The `HotelResource` will have the following methods:

- ☐ Provide a `static` reference
- ☐ `public Customer getCustomer(String email)`
- ☐ `public void createACustomer(String email, String firstName, String lastName)`
- ☐ `public IRoom getRoom(String roomNumber)`
- ☐ `public Reservation bookARoom(String customerEmail, IRoom room, Date checkInDate, Date CheckOutDate)`
- ☐ `public Collection<Reservation> getCustomersReservations(String customerEmail)`
- ☐ `public Collection<IRoom> findARoom(Date checkIn, Date checkOut)`



Create the AdminResource class

Next you'll need to create the **AdminResource class**. The `AdminResource` should have little to no behavior contained inside the class and should make use of the Service classes to implement its methods. The `AdminResource` will have the following methods:

- ☐ Provide a `static` reference
- ☐ `public Customer getCustomer(String email)`
- ☐ `public void addRoom(List<IRoom> rooms)`
- ☐ `public Collection<IRoom> getAllRooms()`
- ☐ `public Collection<Customer> getAllCustomers()`
- ☐ `public void displayAllReservations()`

