

Assisted Practice: 4.2 JSP Implicit Objects

This section will guide you to:

- Create a JSP file to test JSP implicit objects and run it in the browser
- Do error handling in a separate JSP file
- Show how JSP redirection is done to another JSP file

Development Environment

- Eclipse IDE for Enterprise Java Developers v2019-03 (4.11.0)
- Apache Tomcat Server v9.0
- JRE: OpenJDK Runtime Environment 11.0.2

This lab has nine subsections, namely:

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Step 4.2.1: Creating a dynamic web project

- Open Eclipse
- Go the **File** menu. Choose **New->Dynamic Web Project**
- Enter the project name as **JSPImplicitObjects**. Click on **Next**

- Enter nothing in the next screen and click on **Next**
- Check the checkbox **Generate web.xml deployment descriptor** and click on **Finish**
- This will create the project files in the Project Explorer

Step 4.2.2: Creating a JSP file index.jsp

- In the Project Explorer, expand the project **JSPImplicitObjects**
- Expand **WebContent**. Right click on **WebContent**. Choose **New->JSP File**
- Enter the filename as **index.jsp** and click on **Finish**
- Enter the following code:

```
<%@ page language="java" contentType="text/html; charset=UTF-8"
pageEncoding="UTF-8"%>
<%@ page errorPage = "handle-error.jsp" %>
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<head>
<meta charset="UTF-8">
<title>JSP Implicit Objects</title>
</head>
<body>

<%
    String responseCheck = request.getParameter("office");
    if (responseCheck != null ) {
        response.setStatus(response.SC_MOVED_TEMPORARILY);
        response.setHeader("Location", "response-redirect.jsp?office=" +
responseCheck);
    }

    String errorCheck = request.getParameter("error");
    if (errorCheck != null ) {
        int x = 0;
        if (x == 0)
```

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        throw new RuntimeException("Exception has been raised");
    }
%>
<%

int serverPort = request.getServerPort() ;
out.println("The Server is running on port " + String.valueOf(serverPort) + "<br>");
out.println("Servlet Name is " + config.getServletName() + "<br>");
out.println("Server Info:" + application.getServerInfo() + "<br>");

String pageName = page.toString();
out.println("The name of the page is " + pageName + "<br>");

pageContext.setAttribute("userid", "John Doe");
out.println("userId attribute from pageContext: " +
pageContext.getAttribute("userid") + "<br>");
%>
<a href="index.jsp?office=head_office">Show usage of response object</a><br>
<a href="index.jsp?error=1">Show usage of error  object</a><br>

<%
    if (response.containsHeader("Office"))
        out.println("Current location is " + response.getHeader("Office"));
%>

</body>
</html>

```

- Click on the **Save** icon

Step 4.2.3: Creating a JSP file response-redirect.jsp

- In the Project Explorer, expand the project **JSPImplicitObjects**
- Expand **WebContent**. Right click on **WebContent**. Choose **New->JSP File**
- Enter the filename as **response-redirect.jsp** and click on **Finish**
- Enter the following code:

```
<%@ page language="java" contentType="text/html; charset=UTF-8"
pageEncoding="UTF-8"%>
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<head>
<meta charset="UTF-8">
<title>Get Header Example</title>
</head>
<body>

<%
    String office = request.getParameter("office");
    if (office != null)
        out.println("value of Office obtained :" + office + "<br>");
    else
        out.println("No value of Office found<br>");
%>

</body>
</html>
```

- Click on the **Save** icon

Step 4.2.4: Creating a JSP file handle-error.jsp

- In the Project Explorer, expand the project **JSPImplicitObjects**
- Expand **WebContent**. Right click on **WebContent**. Choose **New->JSP File**
- Enter the filename as **handle-error.jsp** and click on **Finish**

- Enter the following code:

```
<%@ page language="java" contentType="text/html; charset=UTF-8"
pageEncoding="UTF-8" isErrorPage = "true"%>

<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<head>
<meta charset="UTF-8">
<title>Error Handling page</title>
</head>
<body>

<% exception.printStackTrace(response.getWriter()); %>
<hr>
An exception was generated. Details are above:<br>
</body>
</html>
```

- Click on the **Save** icon

Step 4.2.5: Checking for servlet-api.jar

- Before building the project, we need to add **servlet-api.jar** to the project
- Servlet-api.jar file is already present in your practice lab. (Refer FSD: Lab Guide - Phase 2)
- To add it to the project, follow the below mentioned steps:
 - In the Project Explorer, right click on **JSPImplicitObjects** and choose **Properties**
 - Select **Java Build Path** from the options on the left

- Click on **Libraries** tab on the right
- Under **ClassPath**, expand the node that says **Apache Tomcat**
- If there is an existing entry for **servlet-api.jar**, then click on **Cancel** and exit the window
- If it is not there, then click on **Classpath** entry and click on **Add External JARs** button on the right
- From the file list, select **servlet-api.jar** file and click on **Ok**
- Click on **Apply and Close**

Step 4.2.6: Building the project

- From the **Project** menu at the top, click on **Build**
- If any compile errors are shown, fix them as required

Step 4.2.7: Publishing and starting the project

- If you do not see the **Servers** tab near the bottom of the IDE, go to **Window** menu and click on **Show View->Servers**
- Right click on the **Server** entry and choose **Add and Remove**
- Click the **Add** button to move **JSPImplicitObjects** from the **Available** list to the **Configured** list
- Click on **Finish**
- Right click on the **Server** entry and click on **Publish**
- Right click on the **Server** entry and click on **Start**
- This will start the server

Step 4.2.8: Running the project

- To run the project, open a web browser and type:
http://localhost:8080/JSPImplicitObjects

Step 4.2.9: Pushing the code to your GitHub repositories

- Open your command prompt and navigate to the folder where you have created your files.

cd <folder path>

- Initialize your repository using the following command:

git init

- Add all the files to your git repository using the following command:

git add .

- Commit the changes using the following command:

git commit . -m "Changes have been committed."

- Push the files to the folder you initially created using the following command:

git push -u origin master