



In this stage, you'll extend your DNS server to respond with the "answer" section, the third section of a DNS message.

Answer section structure

The answer section contains a list of RRs (Resource Records), which are answers to the questions asked in the question section.

Each RR has the following structure:

| Field | Type | Description |
|------------------------|-------------------|---|
| Name | Label Sequence | The domain name encoded as a sequence of labels. |
| Туре | 2-byte Integer | 1 for an A record, 5 for a CNAME record etc., full list here |
| Class | 2-byte Integer | Usually set to 1 (full list <u>here</u>) |
| TTL (Time-To- Live) | 4-byte Integer | The duration in seconds a record can be cached before requerying. |
| Length (RDLENGTH) | 2-byte Integer | Length of the RDATA field in bytes. |
| Data (RDATA) | Variable | Data specific to the record type. |

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