




PowerShell and the Cloud

V3 designed with the web and cloud in mind	New cmdlets for working with web services and data	No more parsing and "screen-scraping"	May require some developer-based background or assistance
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Invoke-WebRequest

No more .NET WebClient wrappers	Retrieve web pages via HTTP or HTTPS	Parses the response into an object you can work with in PowerShell
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Save results to a text file right from the cmdlet or `-Passthru` to a file or the console



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Invoke-RestMethod

Similar to
[Invoke-WebRequest](#)

Send request to
RESTful web services

Writes HTML
documents and JSON
converted objects

Example:

```
PS C:\> Invoke-RestMethod -Uri  
"http://search.twitter.com/search.json?q=PowerShell&lang=en" |  
Select-Object -ExpandProperty results |  
Select Created_At,From_User,Text | out-gridview
```



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ConvertTo-Json

JSON = Javascript Object Notation

- A common format style for web data

Although, you can convert anything to this format

- Could be used for serializing objects
- No methods
- Restore with [ConvertFrom-Json](#)



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ConvertFrom-Json

Convert a JSON string into a custom object

- Can be used with [Invoke-RestMethod](#) to transform results into PowerShell objects



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New-WebServiceProxy

Create an object to manage your connection to a web service

Instead of invoking RESTMethods, use the object's methods

Data returned as an XML object



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New-WebServiceProxy

Very, very easy way to use a web service

- PS C:\> \$URI = "http://www.websvcex.net/uszip.asmx?WSDL"
- PS C:\> \$zip = New-WebServiceProxy -uri \$URI
- PS C:\> \$results = \$zip.GetInfoByZIP("60195")
- PS C:\> \$results.table



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Web Cmdlets Demo

Summary

- Web cmdlets will be new to many IT Pros
- Explore what internal web services you can leverage
- Expect a steeper learning curve
- Read full help and examples for these cmdlets

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