# An Introduction to APIs Kevin Lewis - Developer Advocate, Vonage



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## In This Session

## First

We'll take time to understand APIs

### Then

We'll use a couple of APIs ourselves

## Finally

We'll briefly cover more concepts

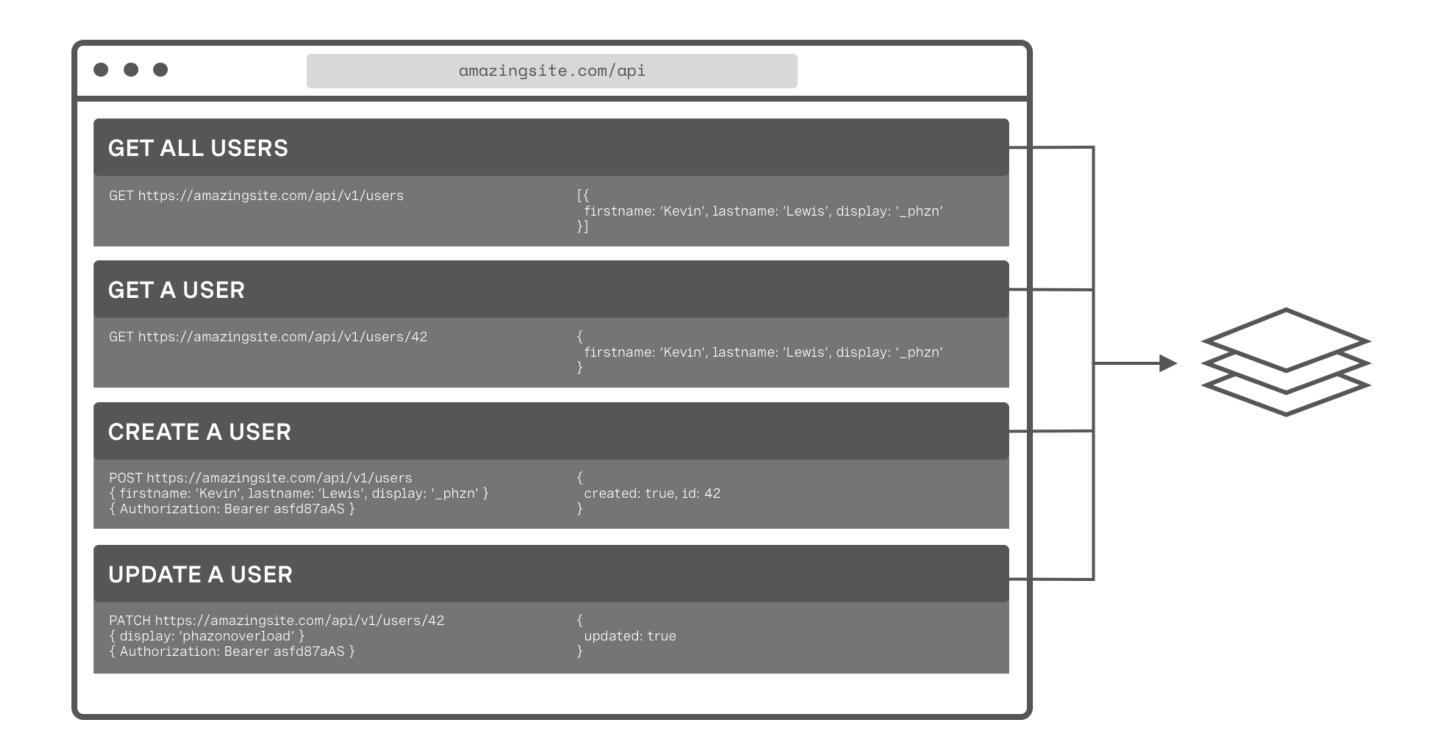
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GET A USER

CREATE A USER

**UPDATE A USER** 









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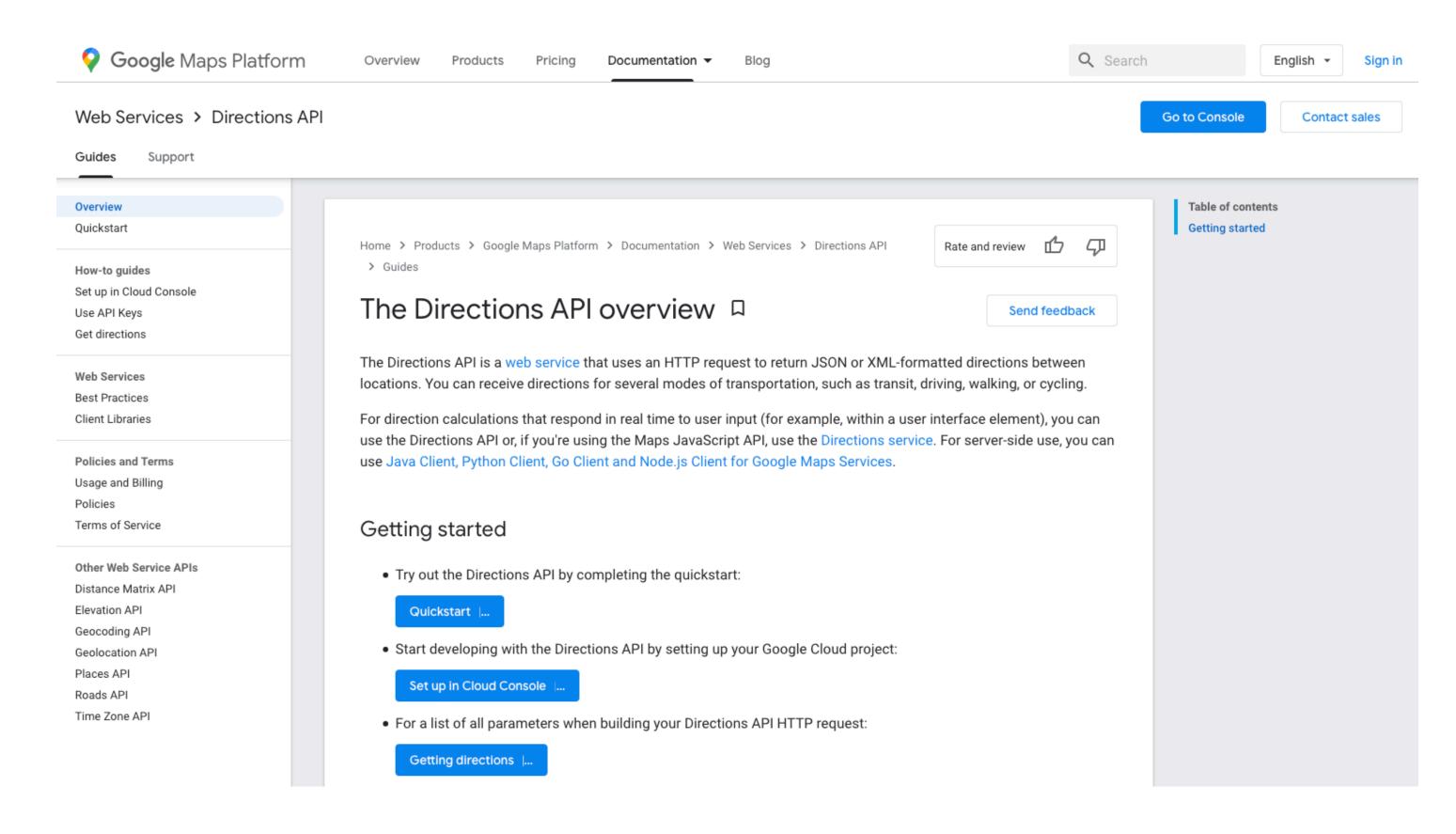
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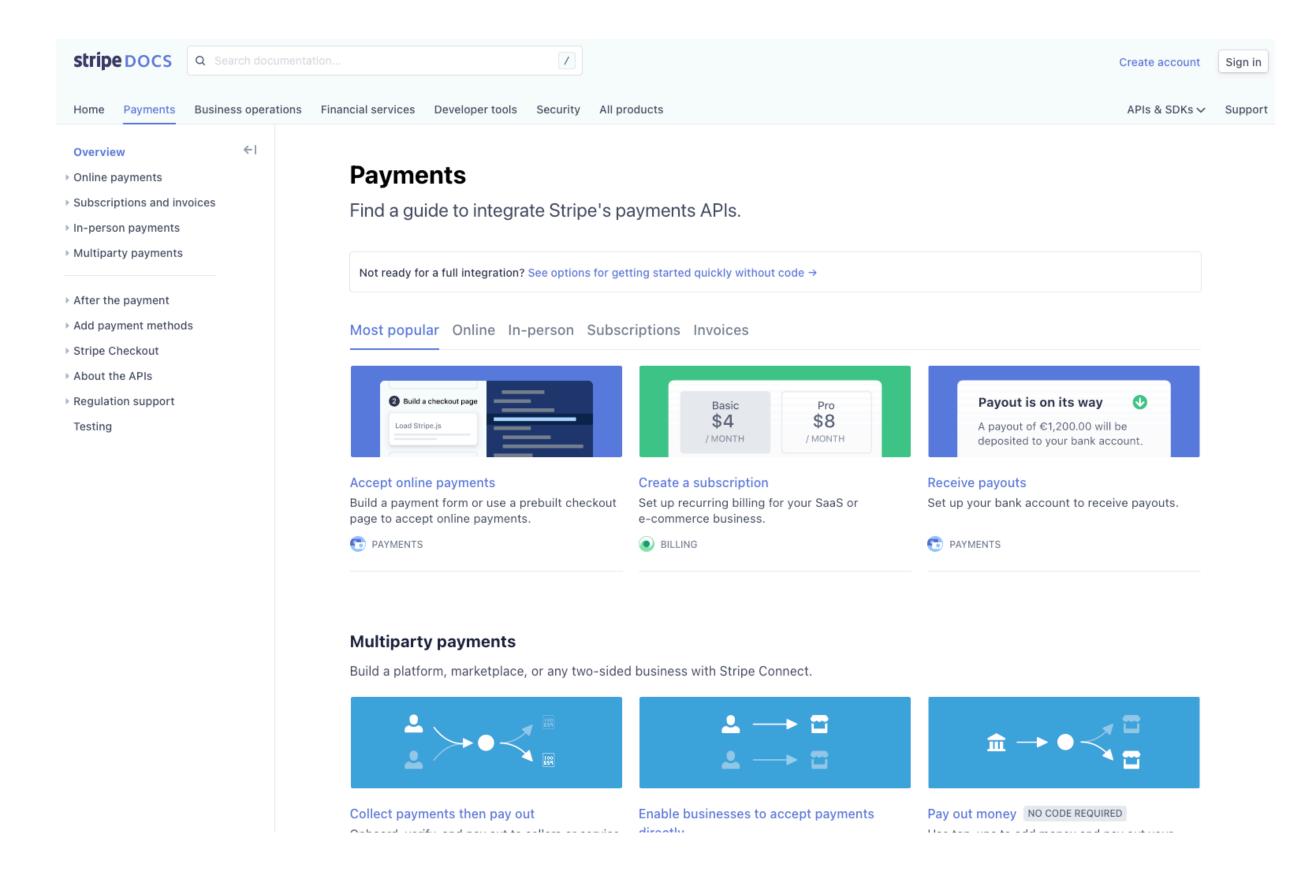
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Tools

#### Facebook Login

Overview

iOS

Android

Web

For Devices

**Best Practices** 

User Experience Design

**Login Security** 

Permissions

Access Tokens

Authentication Versus Data Access

Testing

Advanced

Changelog

**Limited Login** 

Business Login for Direct Businesses

### **Facebook Login**

A secure, fast, and convenient way for users to log into your app, and for your app to ask for permissions to access data



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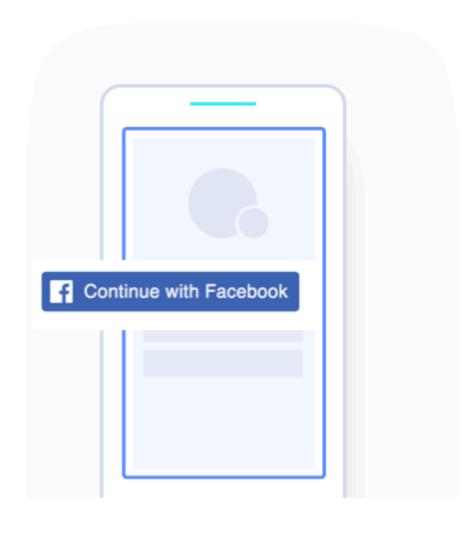
**Android** 



Websites or mobile websites



**Devices** 



#### On This Page

Facebook Login

Get Started

Plan

Review and Test

Submit Your App for Review and Approval

Advanced

**Business Results** 

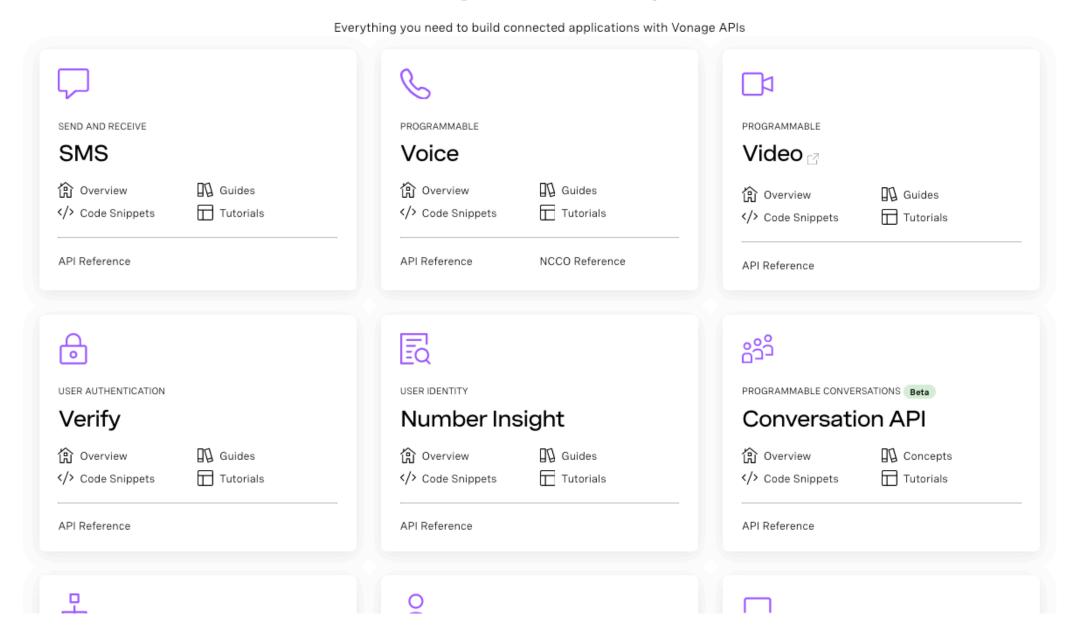
Further Resources

#### **Get Started**

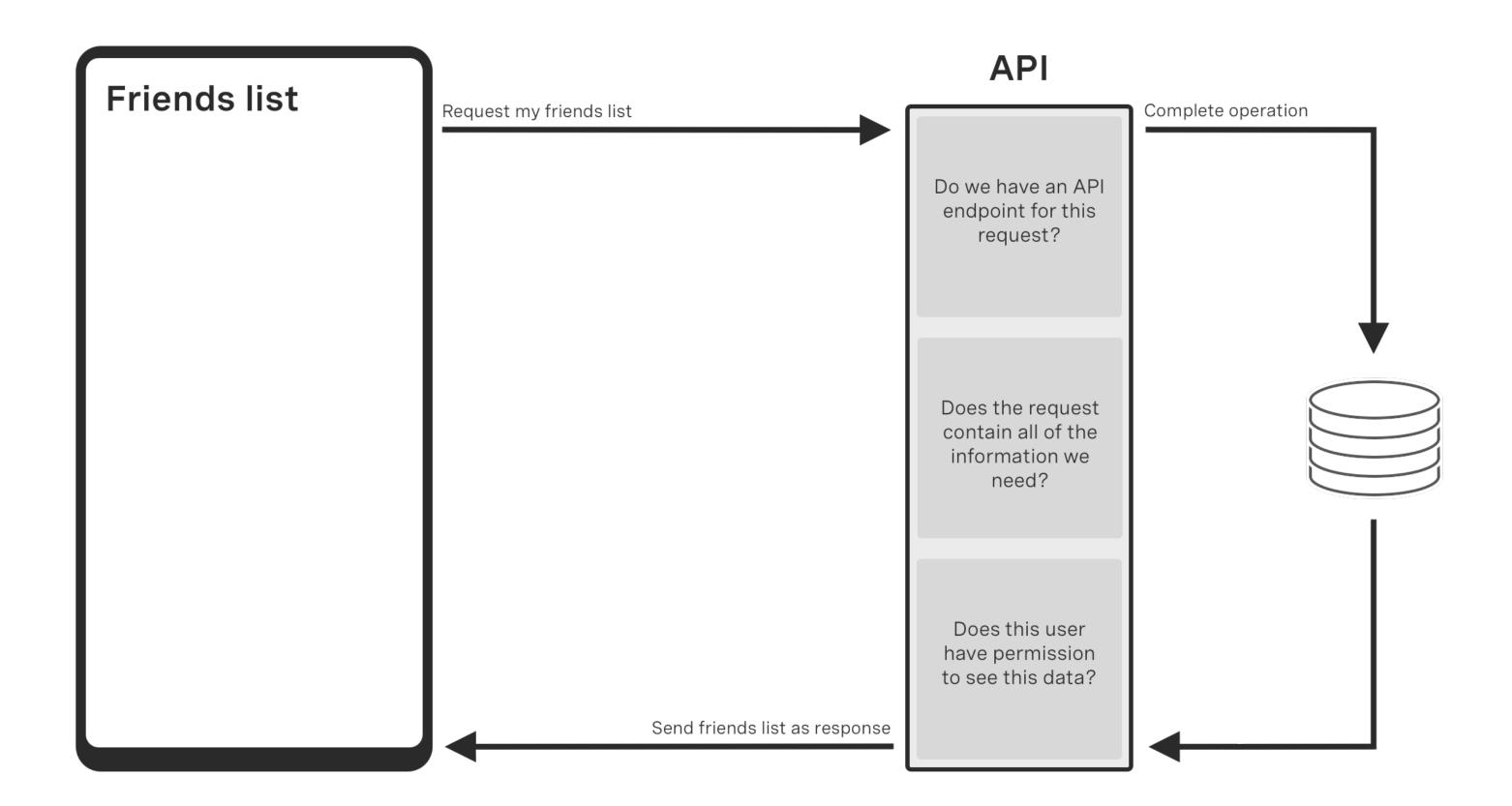
#### Overview

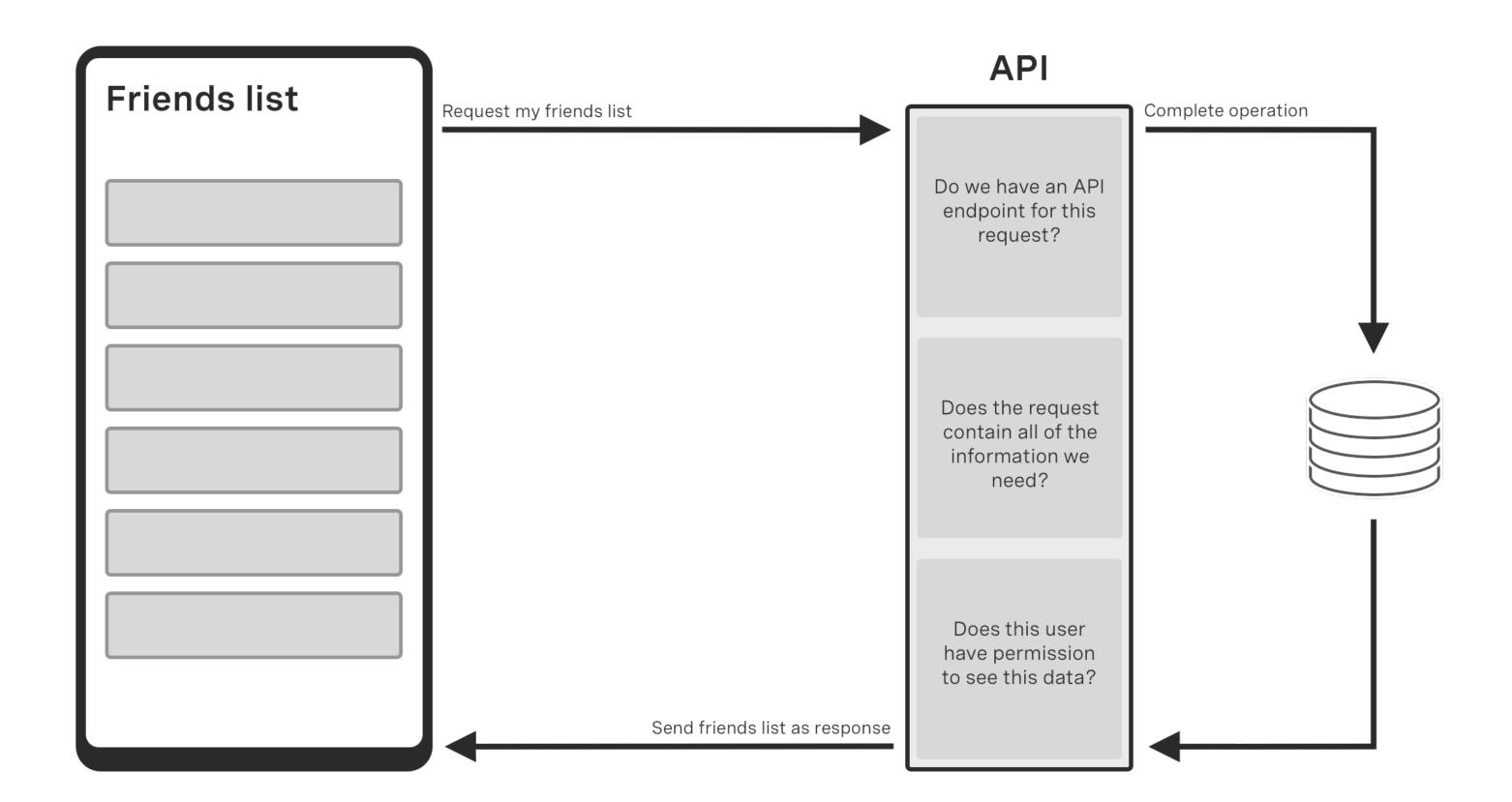
Core use cases and features for Facebook Login.

#### Vonage API Developer







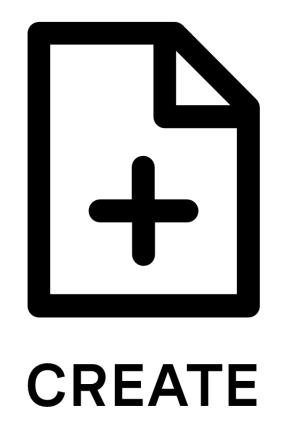


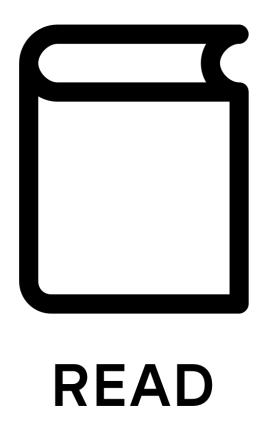
APIs provide a contract between the company providing it and a developer. If you request data in the correct way, you should receive a response.

# Ingredients in an API Request

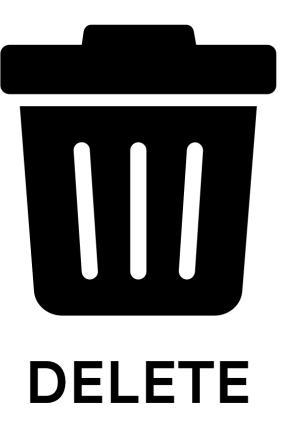
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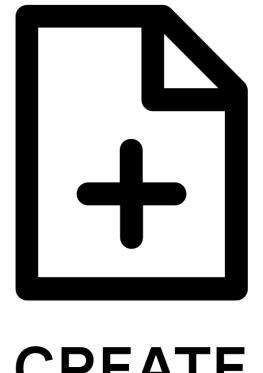
Type of request





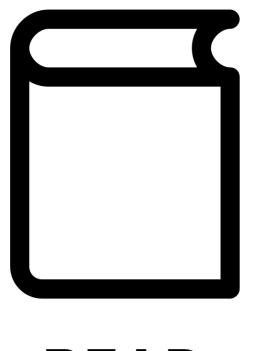






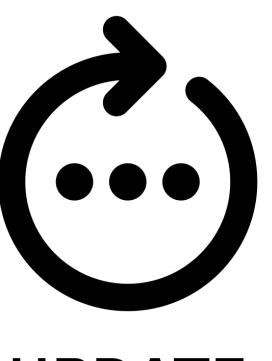


**POST** 



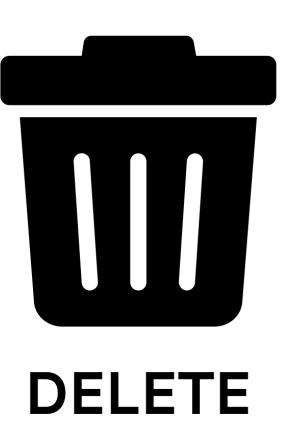
**READ** 

**GET** 



**UPDATE** 

**PUT** 

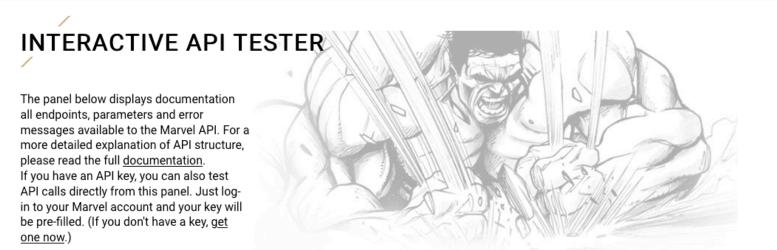


**DELETE** 

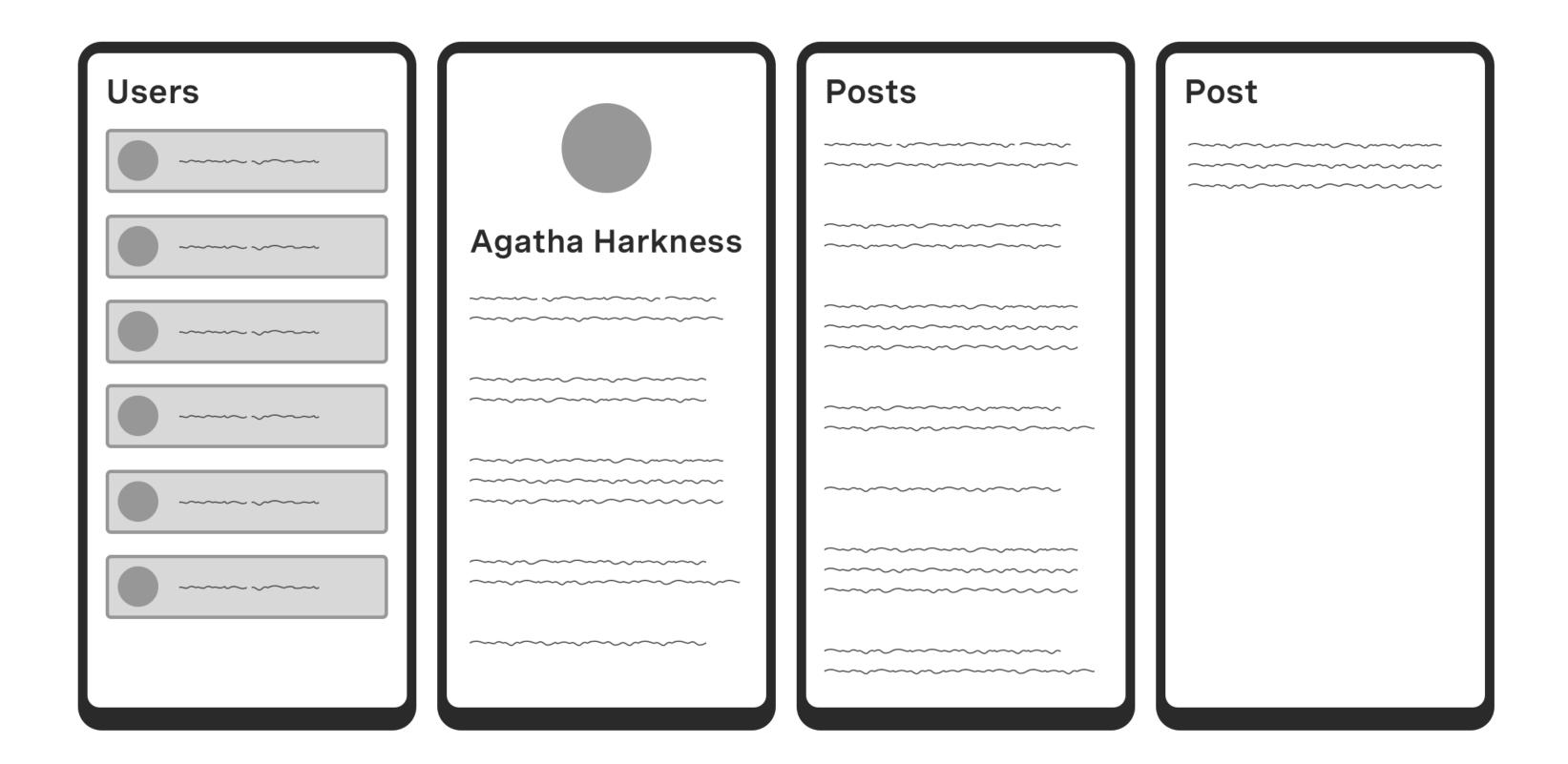


HTTP Method - GET, POST, etc

# Endpoints URL for the request



public:	Show/Hide   List Operations   Expand Operations   Raw
/v1/public/characters	Fetches lists of characters.
/v1/public/characters/{characterId}	Fetches a single character by id.
/v1/public/characters/{characterId}/comics	Fetches lists of comics filtered by a character id.
/v1/public/characters/{characterId}/events	Fetches lists of events filtered by a character id.
/v1/public/characters/{characterId}/series	Fetches lists of series filtered by a character id.
/v1/public/characters/{characterId}/stories	Fetches lists of stories filtered by a character id.
GET /v1/public/comics	Fetches lists of comics.
GET /v1/public/comics/{comicId}	Fetches a single comic by id.
/v1/public/comics/{comicId}/characters	Fetches lists of characters filtered by a comic id.
/v1/public/comics/{comicId}/creators	Fetches lists of creators filtered by a comic id.
/v1/public/comics/{comicId}/events	Fetches lists of events filtered by a comic id.
/v1/public/comics/{comicId}/stories	Fetches lists of stories filtered by a comic id.
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HTTP Method - GET, POST, etc.

✓ Endpoint - a URL

# Lets make an API request Iws.io/apis-1

## Getting data from an API

```
axios.get("https://yougotthis.io/talks-flat.json")
   .then(function(response){
      console.log(response.data)
   })
```



HTTP Method - GET, POST, etc.

✓ Endpoint - a URL

# Body A set of data sent with the request

# Example bodies

- Message content
- Files to upload
- New user information
- Phone number to call

### api.lws.io

#### POST /people

#### Required body

```
{
    "name": "Your Name",
    "location": "Place Name"
}
```

#### Success: HTTP 200

```
{
    "name": "Kevin Lewis",
    "location": "London, UK",
    "id": "rec17pDfbhg9qUtev",
    "created": "2021-02-24T12:18:36.000Z"
}
```

#### Error: HTTP 400

HTTP 400 means the body with your request is missing or invalid. The message will describe what is missing.

```
{
    "error": "error message"
}
```

#### Error: HTTP 500

```
{
    "error": "error message"
}
```

# Lets send a POST request lws.io/apis-2



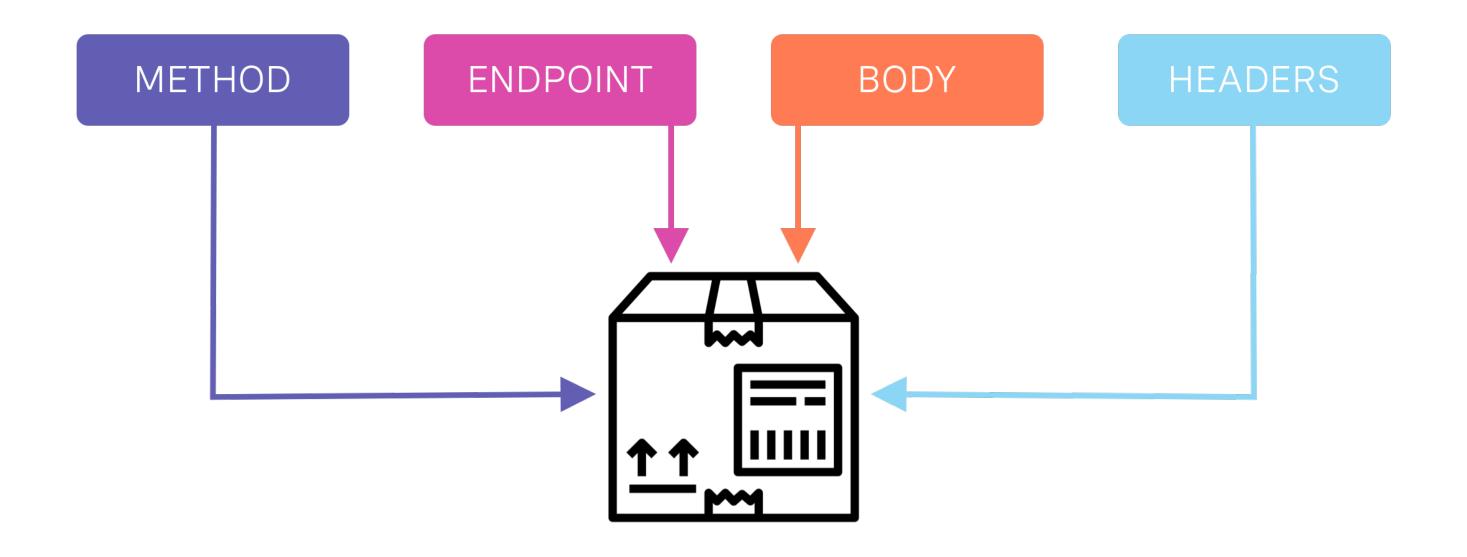
- HTTP Method GET, POST, etc.
- Endpoint a URL
- ✓ Body data to send with request

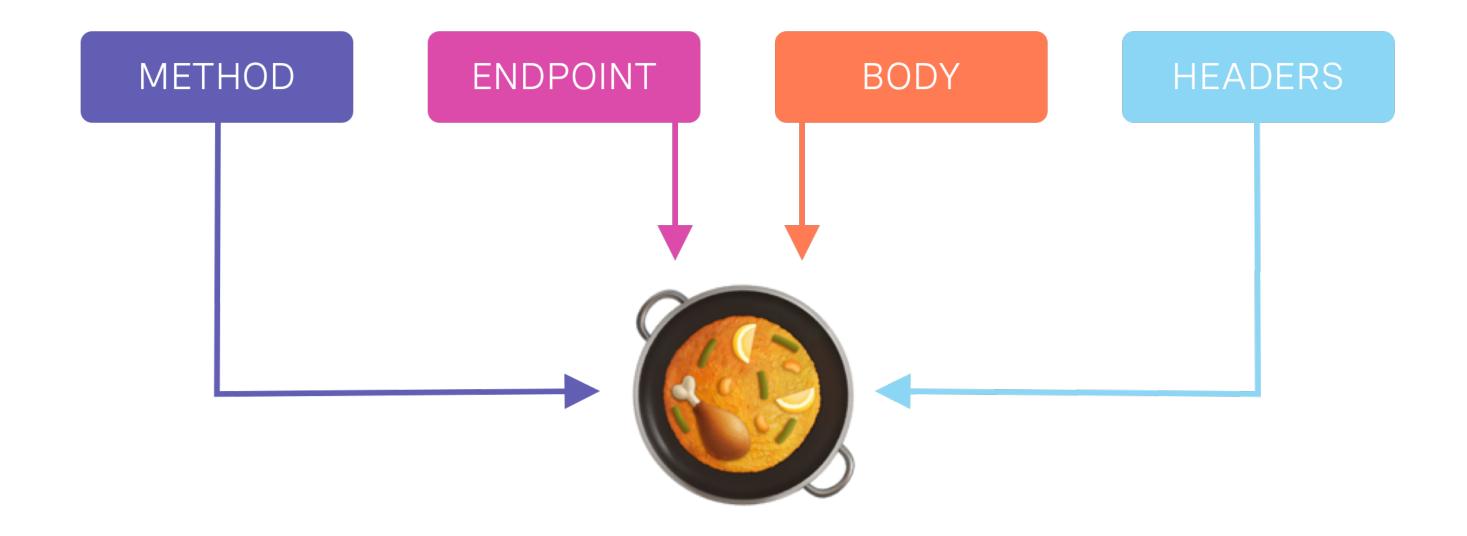
# Headers Additional info, often including authentication

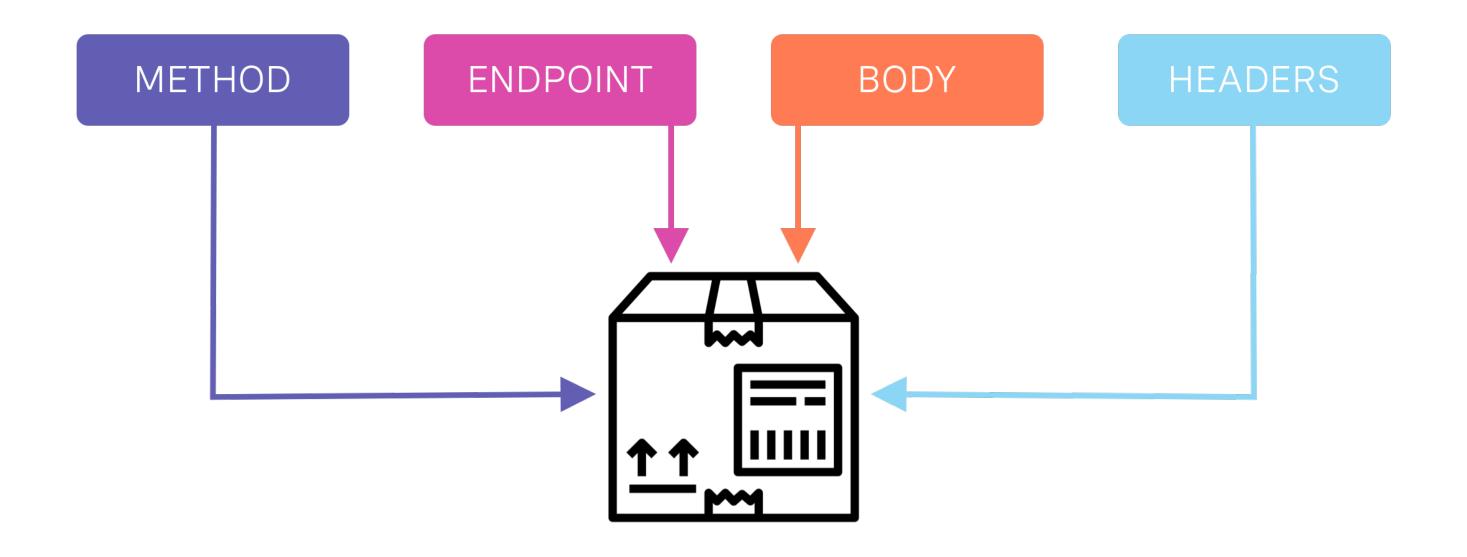


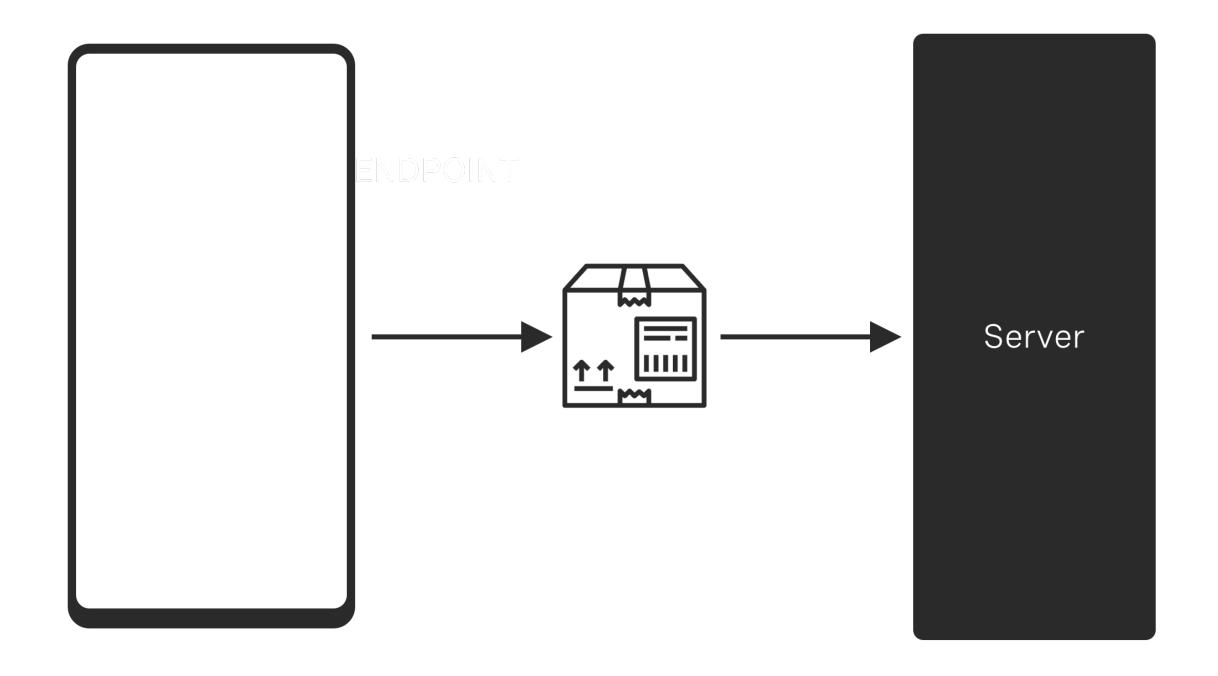
- HTTP Method GET, POST, etc.
- Endpoint a URL
- ✓ Body data to send with request
- Headers additional info & settings

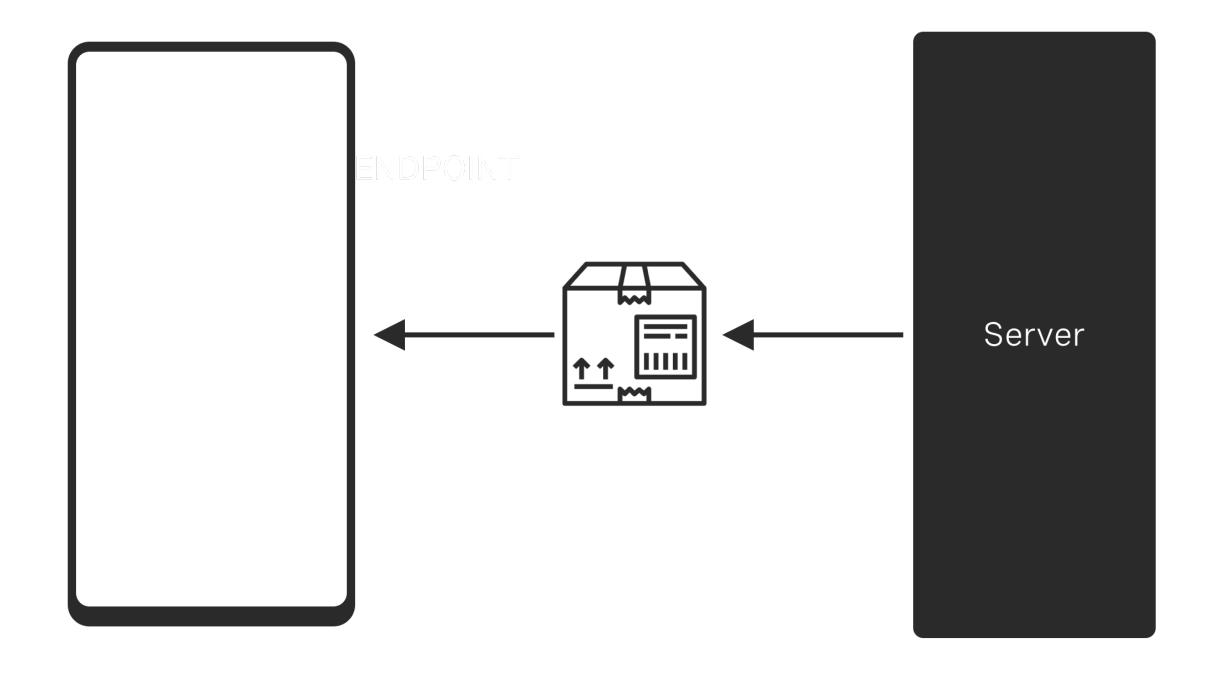
# NOT EVERY API IS THE SAME. READ THE DOCS.











## HTTP Status Codes

Comes with response and gives indication of overall result

## HTTP Status Codes

Code Range	Meaning
200	Here is the data
401	Not authorized
404	Does not exist

#### POST /people

#### Required body

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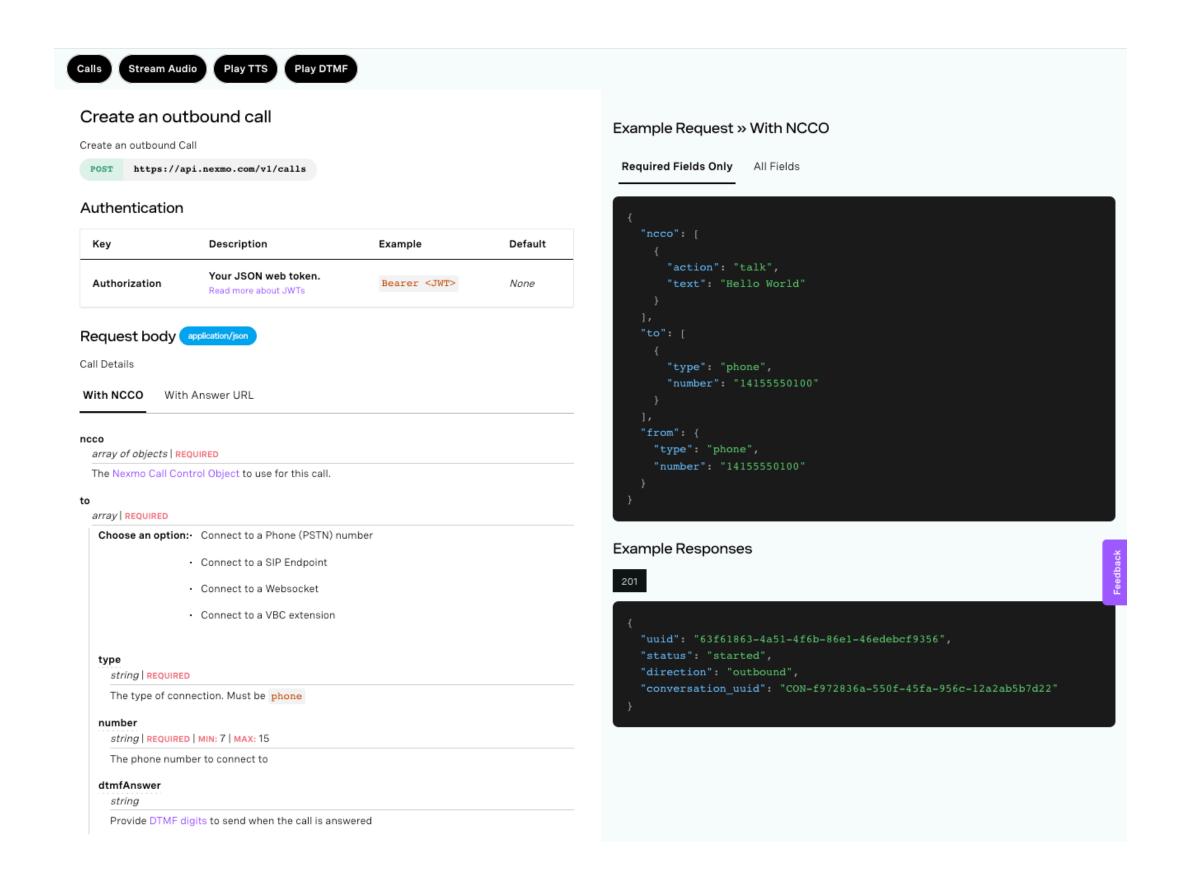
```
{
    "error": "error message"
}
```

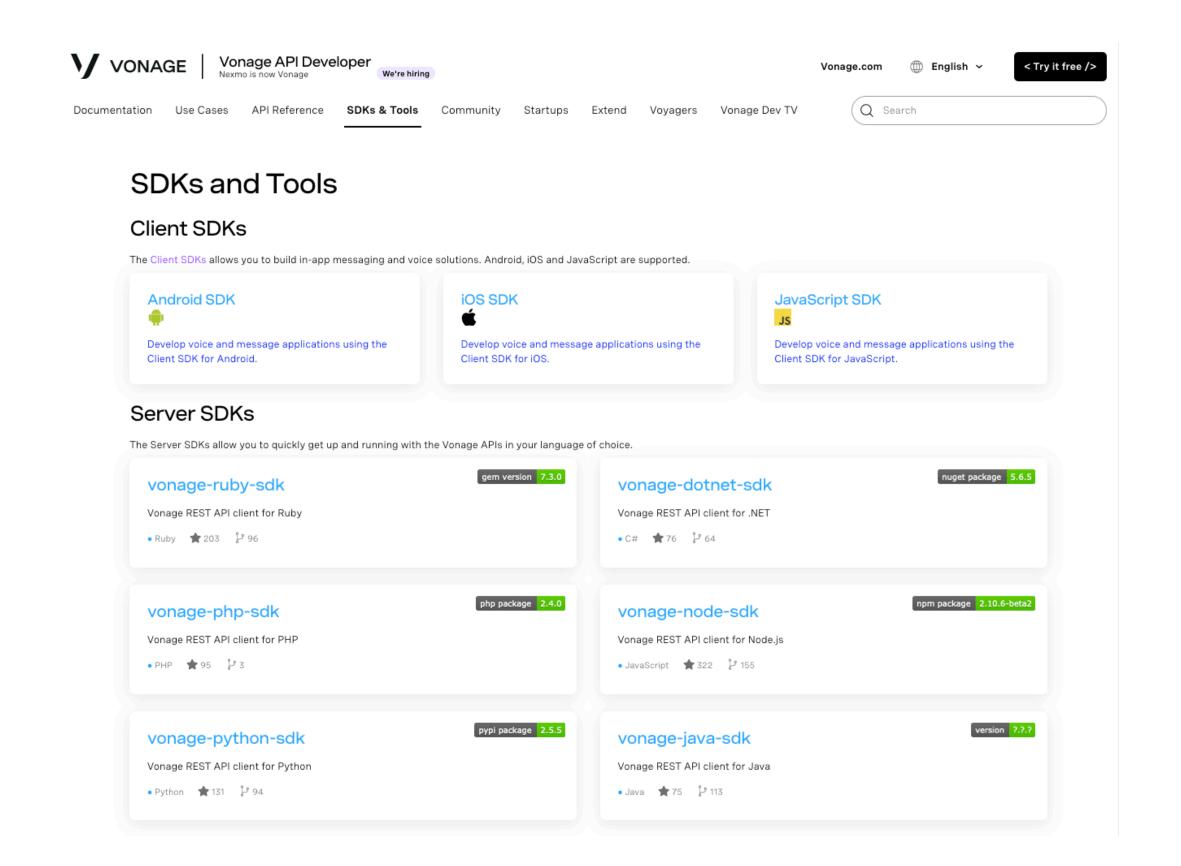
APIs describe a set of instructions that developers can use to interact with a platform.

Requests always have a method and endpoint.
They may also have a body and headers.

# Responses have a HTTP status code, and almost always a body.

# Language SDKs





## dashboard.nexmo.com

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## Lets use the Vonage Server SDK for Node.js

lws.io/apis-3

#### ORBIT API

About the Orbit API

Prerequisites

Authorization

Postman

Pagination

#### **Rate Limiting**

**Key Concepts** 

Common API calls

#### **ORBIT API**

Activity Types	>
Users	>
Activities	>
Members	>
Notes	>
Posts	>
Reports	>

#### **Rate Limiting**

The Orbit API is protected by a number of rate-limiting measures to ensure the stability of the system.

The API is rate-limited at 120 requests per IP per minute.

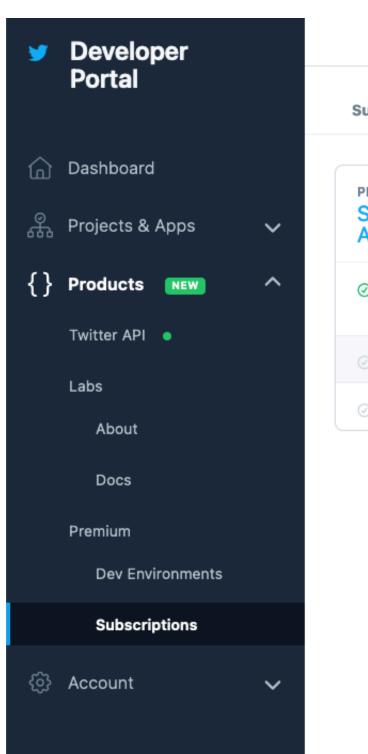


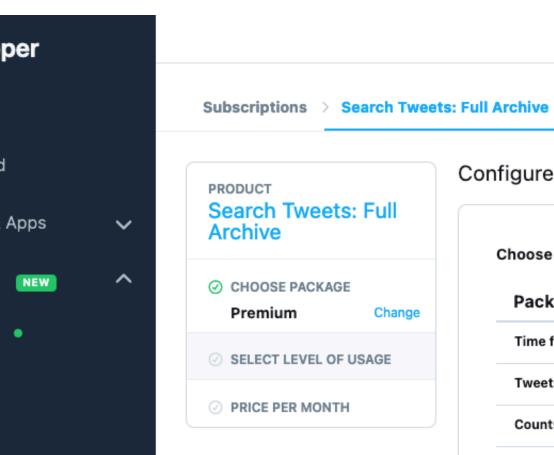
Should you hit this limit, you will receive a response with an HTTP status code set to 429 Too Many Requests. The time at which you can make the next request will be indicated with a Retry-After header. More information about the current rate-limiting status for a particular request is available in the RateLimit-\* headers.

If you require a higher rate limit, please get in touch, we'd love to learn more about your use case.

#### **Key Concepts**

# What are some common features of API pricing?



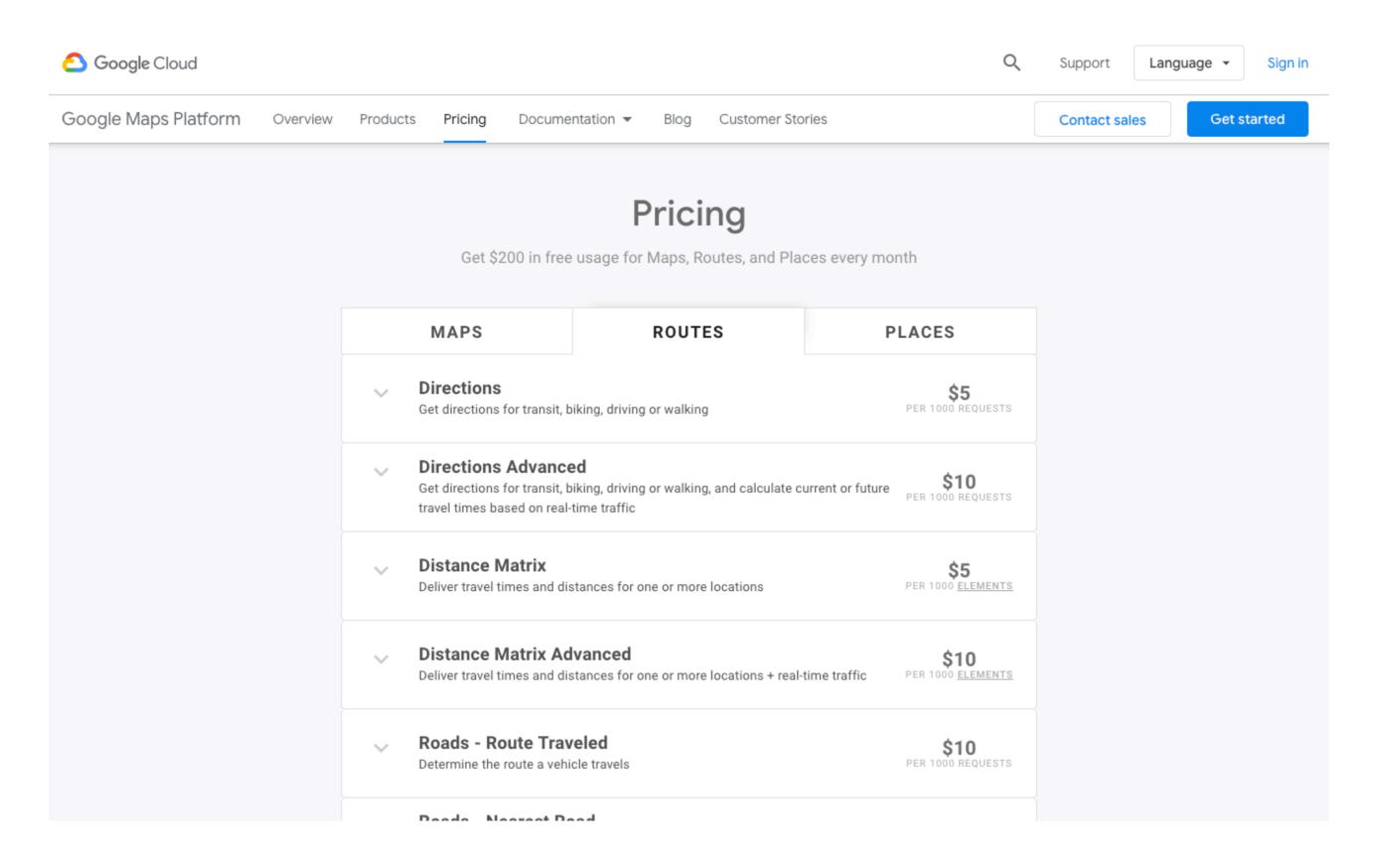






Configure Search Tweets: Full Archive

Package	Sandbox	Premium
Time frame 🕤	Full history	Full history
Tweets per request (i)	100	500
Counts vs. data 🕠	Data only	Both
Query length (i)	128 characters	1024 characters
Operator availability (i)	Standard	Premium
Rate limit per minute (i)	30 requests/min	60 requests/min
Enrichments (i)	n/a	URLs, Polls, Profile Geo
Dev environments (i)	1	2
Monthly Tweet cap 🕤	5k	1.25M
Rate limit per second (i)	10 requests/sec	10 requests/sec
View the API Reference to learn more.	Select	Selected!



## Authenticated Requests



ACCOUNT

- Overview
- \* Referrals and credits
- Recent activity

WORKSPACES

- Stream/Blog/Hack Demos
- The Late Night Build

#### Account overview



Kevin Lewis 

✓ Edit name

kevin.lewis@vonage.com 

✓ Edit email

+ Add password

\* CREDITS

You have \$0 in credit.

Get \$10 in credit for every person you invite.

You've been awarded credit for inviting 2 users

✓ You received \$2 in credit for installing the mobile app.

Referrals and credits →

O API

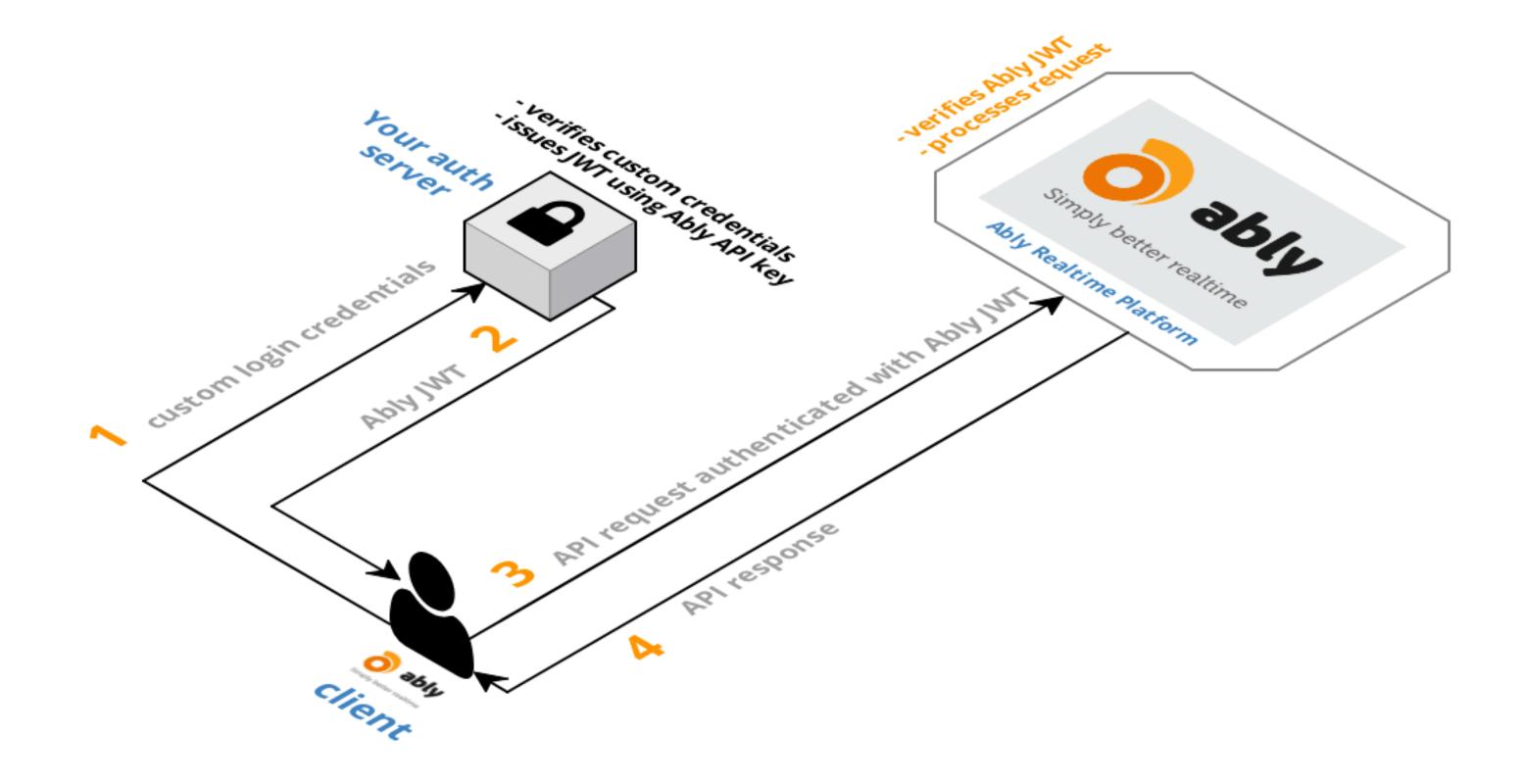
This is your personal API key. It's required in order to use the Airtable API.

Your personal API key has access to all the data in your Airtable bases.

Only share this key with third-party services and applications that you trust.

To limit the access of a third-party service, consider following these instructions to create a read-only API key and sharing that key instead .

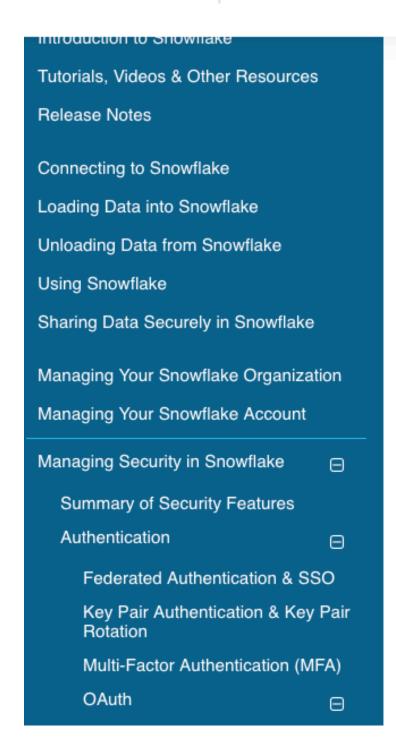
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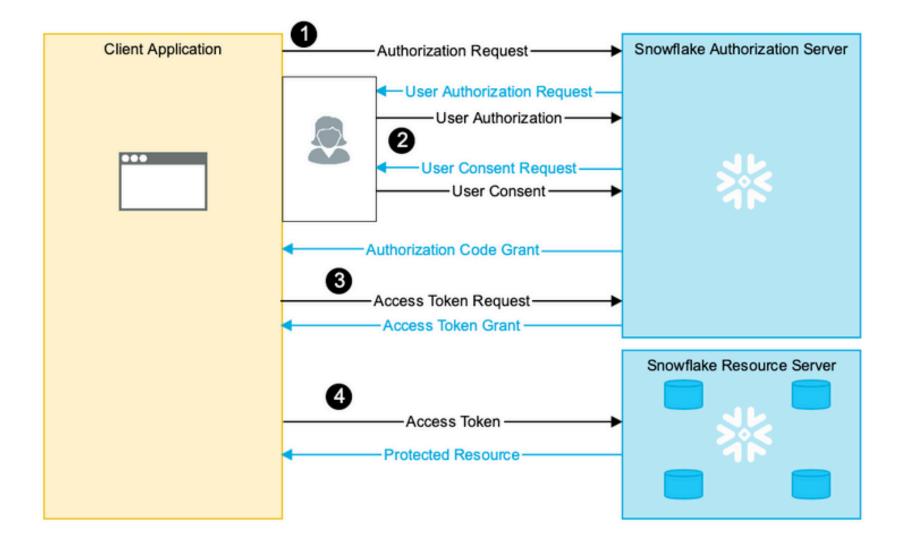


Ask a question...



#### Snowflake OAuth Authorization Flows

The OAuth authorization flow is as follows:



### What we covered

- What are APIs?
- What goes into an API request?
- What are SDKs
- Rate limiting, pricing structures, authenticated requests

# Thank you! Kevin Lewis - @\_phzn