# Full Stack Web Development from the Ground Up: Principles, Practices, and Technologies

## **Book Outline**

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| 23 | Testing and Documenting Web APIs                     | 10,267 | <ul> <li>23.1. Introduction</li> <li>23.2. API Testing Frameworks</li> <li>23.3. Developing a Test Suite Collection for the SpeedScore API</li> <li>Box 23.1: API Versioning</li> <li>23.4. Documenting APIs</li> <li>23.5. Summary, Reflections, and Best Practices</li> <li>23.6. References</li> <li>23.7. Exercises</li> <li>23.8. Programming Tasks</li> </ul>   |
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### **APPENDIX A: TEAM WEB DEVELOPMENT LIFECYCLE: AGILE BEST PRACTICES**

#### **APPENDIX B: TEAM WEB DEVELOPMENT PROJECT**

APPENDIX C: DEPLOYING A CLIENT-SIDE WEB APP TO AMAZON WEB SERVICES, GOOGLE CLOUD PLATFORM, AND AZURE