

Tweet from Automic ONE Autommation

Step 1: Create a Twitter Developer Account

In order to setup the Webservice 3.0 Agent with Twitter, you'll need to create an account on the Twitter developer site and generate credentials for use with the Twitter API. To create a Twitter developer account follow these steps:

- a) Go to <https://dev.twitter.com/user/login> and log in with your Twitter user name and password. If you do not yet have a Twitter account, click the **Sign up** link that appears under the **Username** field.
- b) Link a mobile phone to your twitter Account – in order to setup the new App privileges with Read and Write.
- c) Go to the Twitter applications page at <https://dev.twitter.com/apps> and click **Create a new application**.
- d) Follow the on-screen instructions. For the application **Name**, **Description**, and **Website**, you can enter any text — you're simply generating credentials to use with this tutorial, rather than creating a real application.

Application settings

*Your application's API keys are used to **authenticate** requests to the Twitter Platform.*

Access level	Read and write (modify app permissions)
API key	t6Fy5K [REDACTED] (manage API keys)
Callback URL	None
Sign in with Twitter	No
App-only authentication	https://api.twitter.com/oauth2/token
Request token URL	https://api.twitter.com/oauth/request_token
Authorize URL	https://api.twitter.com/oauth/authorize
Access token URL	https://api.twitter.com/oauth/access_token

- e) On the details page for your new application, you'll see a **API key** and **API secret**. Make a note of these values; you'll need them later in the Connection object. You may want to store your credentials in a text file.

Application settings

Keep the "API secret" a secret. This key should never be human-readable in your application.

API key	t6Fy5K [REDACTED]
API secret	9Nmdl5 [REDACTED]
Access level	Read and write (modify app permissions)
Owner	AccountDK
Owner ID	2528152 [REDACTED]

- f) At the bottom of the application details page, click **Create my access token**. Make a note of the **Access token** and **Access token secret** values that appear, or add them to the text file you created in the preceding step.

Your access token

This access token can be used to make API requests on your own account's behalf. Do not share your access token secret with anyone.

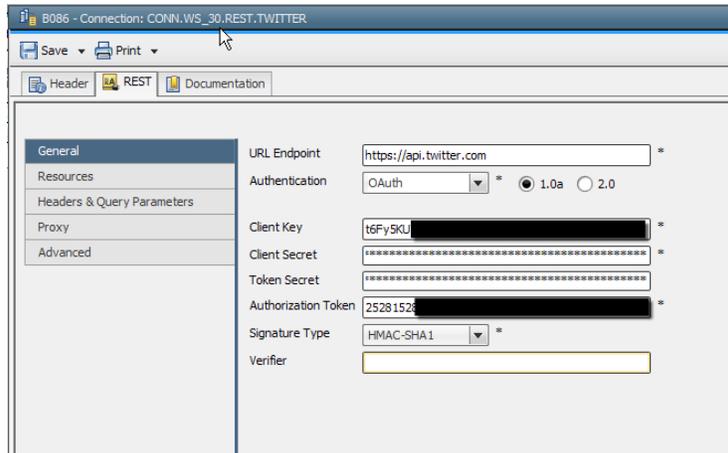
Access token	2528152 [REDACTED] b8rV5iIU [REDACTED]
Access token secret	4QWy [REDACTED]
Access level	Read and write
Owner	AccountDK
Owner ID	2528152 [REDACTED]

Step 2: Setup the Webservice 3.0 RA Agent

Nothing special here – standard install according to the documentation

Step 3: Create a Connection Object for Twitter

In order to setup the Webservice 3.0 Agent with Twitter, you'll need to setup a connection object using the OAuth method with data from Step 1:



The screenshot shows the configuration for a connection object. The 'General' tab is active. The 'URL Endpoint' is set to 'https://api.twitter.com'. The 'Authentication' is set to 'OAuth', with '1.0a' selected. The 'Client Key' is 't6Fy5KLU...', the 'Client Secret' is a masked string, and the 'Token Secret' is another masked string. The 'Authorization Token' is '2528152...', and the 'Signature Type' is 'HMAC-SHA1'.

Client Key = API key

Client Secret = API secret

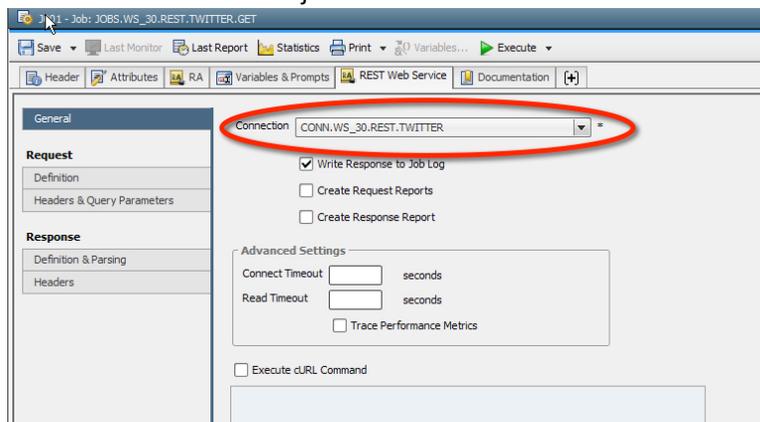
Authorization Token = Access token

Token Secret = Access token secret

Step 4: Create a REST Job to GET tweets

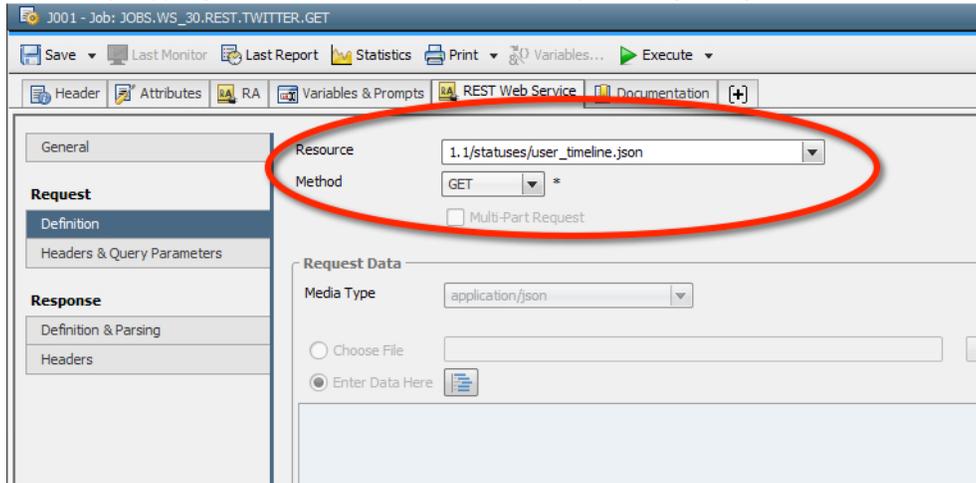
Once you have the connection object defined, you can setup your first Job – this one will GET tweets:

a) Select the connection object

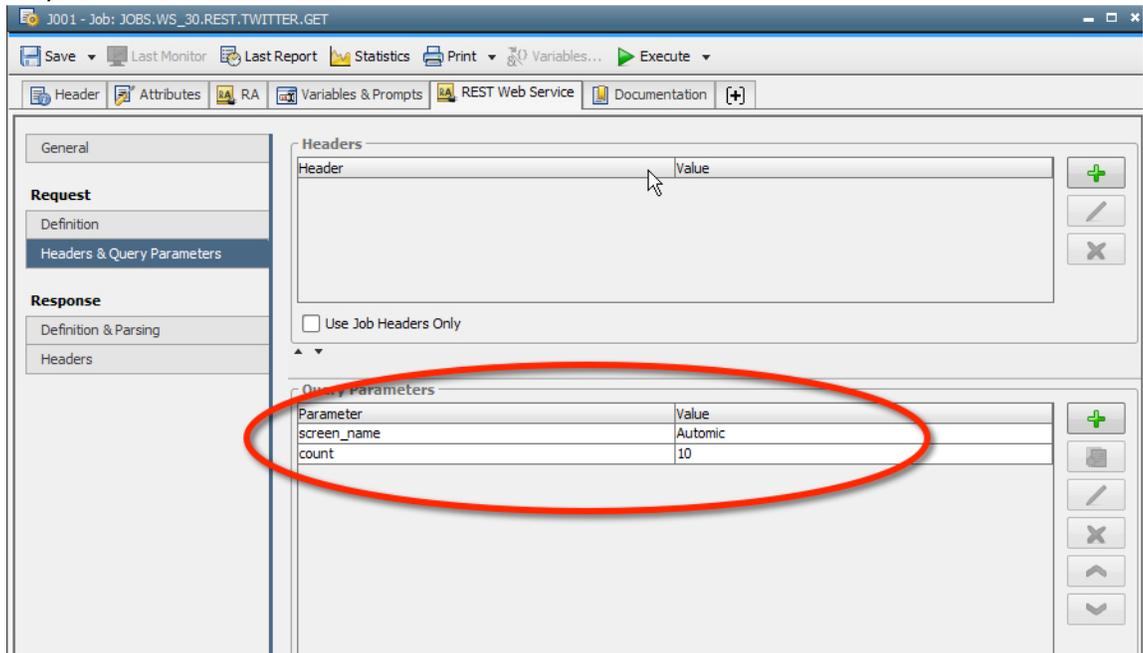


The screenshot shows the configuration for a REST job. The 'General' tab is active. The 'Connection' dropdown is highlighted with a red circle and contains 'CONN.WS_30.REST.TWITTER'. The 'Request' section has 'Write Response to Job Log' checked. The 'Response' section has 'Advanced Settings' expanded, showing 'Connect Timeout' and 'Read Timeout' fields.

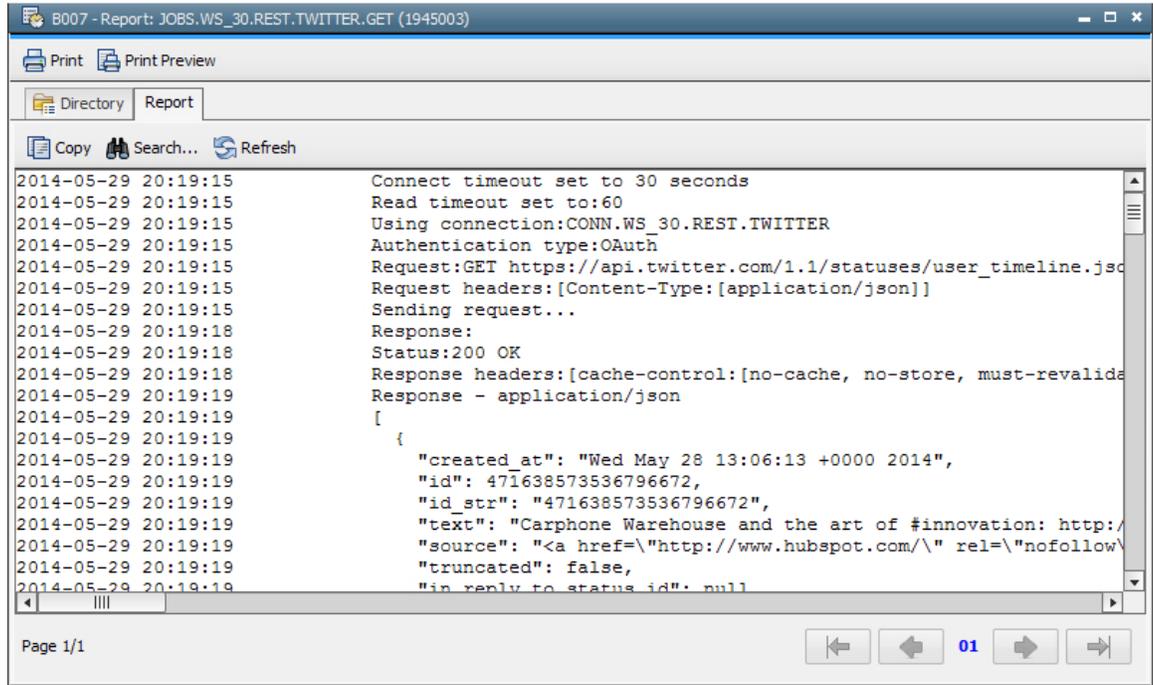
- b) Type “1.1/statuses/user_timeline.json” into the Resource field – it’s a dropdown, but still accept typing. Select GET in the Method, as you are getting tweets.



- c) Setup the parameters screen_name and count to bring back only a specific user and only a maximum number of tweets:



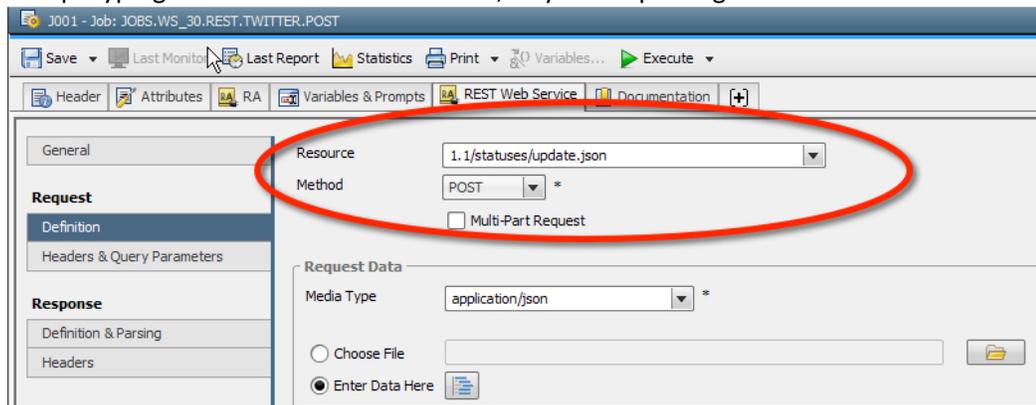
d) Execute the Job – it will bring back the last 10 tweets form Automic



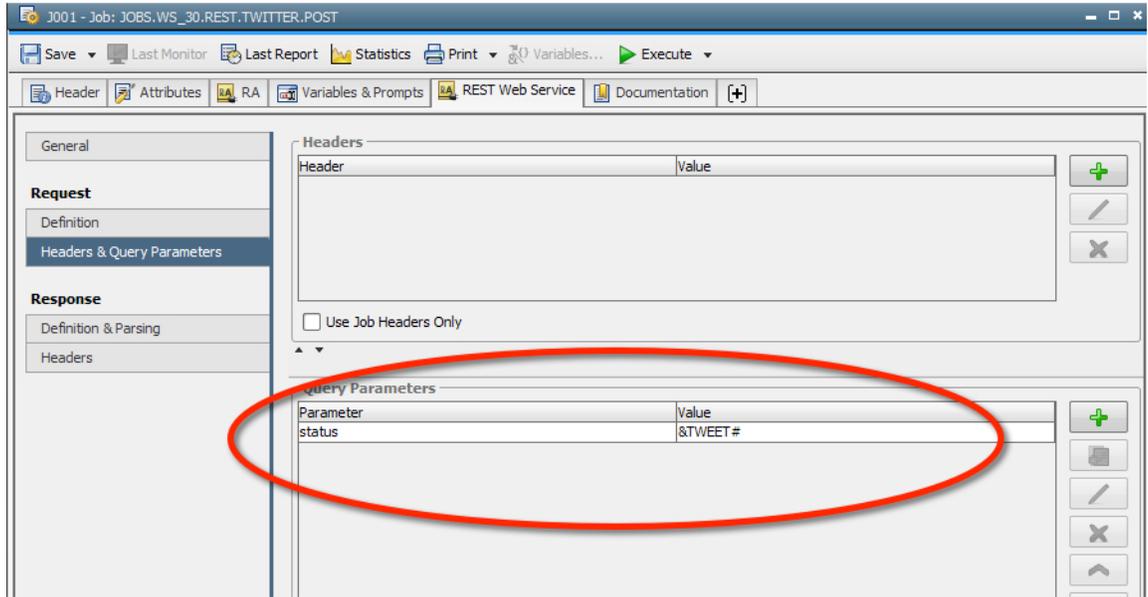
Step 4: Create a REST Job to POST tweets

Now that we know authentication works, it's time to POST tweets:

- a) Duplicate the GET Job
- b) Type "1.1/statuses/update.json" into the Resource field – it's a dropdown, but still accept typing. Select POST in the Method, as you are posting tweets.

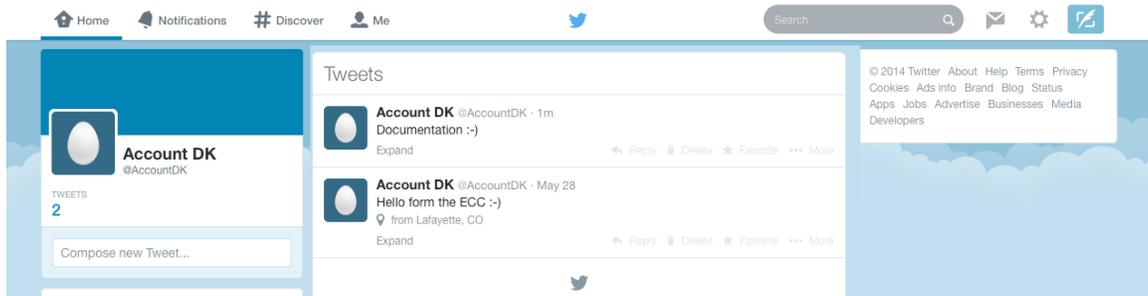


c) This time the Query Parameters are slightly different:



Notice that &TWEET# is a variable – I used a Promptset to make this work more dynamically and show better form the ECC

d) Execute the Job and check your tweets:



Step 5: Explore what else you can do

The Twitter REST API is well documents and you can play with all sorts of things:

<https://dev.twitter.com/docs/api/1.1>

In addition you can start combining things – in the export you also find a Workflow that combines Google GEO (Maps) to find the coordinates of any address and then passes that information on to a Twitter Job that tweets with location information (you need to enable “Add a location to my Tweets” in the “Security and privacy” settings – you get there by logging on to your “regular” twitter site)

