

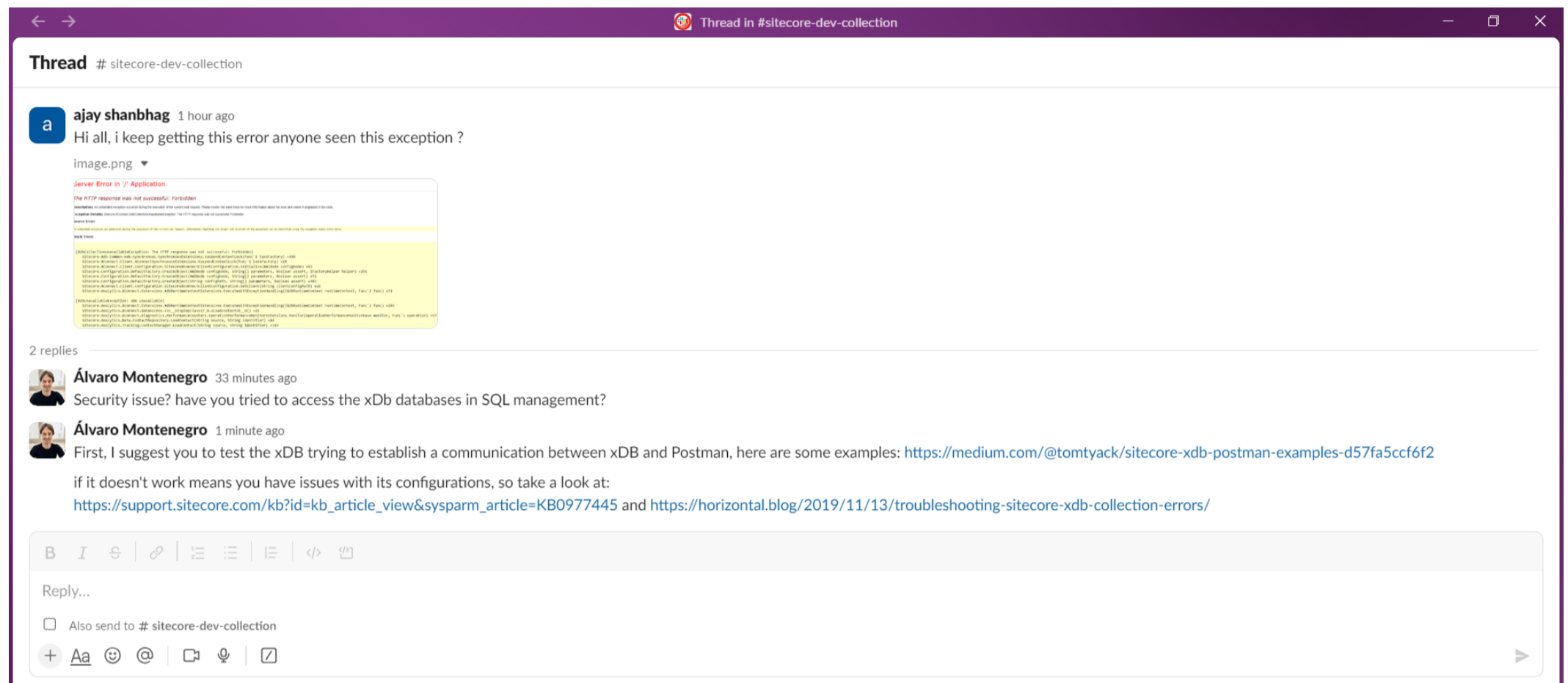
# SITECORE COMMUNITY SLACK - CONTRIBUTIONS 2024

## ÁLVARO PALMEIRA MONTENEGRO

Hello! Here you will find my contributions to the Sitecore Community Slack. Slack keeps conversations available for only three months (free plan) and to keep the history of my chat I have added the link to the chat and screenshots of my contributions in this field.

### 1) Answered “Ajay Shanbhag’s” question about an xDB issue.

- Link: <https://sitecorechat.slack.com/archives/C0KRE14V9/p1702038116633569>
- Date: 12/08/2023
- Channel: #sitecore-dev-collection



The screenshot shows a Slack thread in the #sitecore-dev-collection channel. The thread starts with a message from Ajay Shanbhag, who asks for help with an xDB error. He includes a screenshot of a "Server Error in '/' Application" message. The error message states: "The HTTP response was not successful: Forbidden" and "Unauthorized to connect to the database. Please check the user name and password. The user name and password are incorrect." Below this, there is a stack trace showing the error occurred in Sitecore.Xdb.Client.Services.XdbClientService. Two replies follow from Álvaro Montenegro. The first reply asks if the user has tried to access the xDB databases in SQL management. The second reply suggests testing the xDB by establishing a communication between xDB and Postman, and provides two links: <https://medium.com/@tomtyack/sitecore-xdb-postman-examples-d57fa5ccf6f2> and [https://support.sitecore.com/kb?id=kb\\_article\\_view&sysparm\\_article=KB0977445](https://support.sitecore.com/kb?id=kb_article_view&sysparm_article=KB0977445) and <https://horizontal.blog/2019/11/13/troubleshooting-sitecore-xdb-collection-errors/>. The thread also shows a text input field for replying and a checkbox for "Also send to #sitecore-dev-collection".

### 2) Answered “Dennis The Menace’s” question about a Redirect module.

- Link: <https://sitecorechat.slack.com/archives/C09SHRTK2/p1702029519886059>
- Date: 12/08/2023
- Channel: #sitecore-chat

Thread in #sitecore-chat

**Thread # sitecore-chat**

**Dennis The Menace** 6 hours ago  
Is there a way to redirect from "Home" (URL ex: <https://www.test.com/>) to a content page in Sitecore XP 10? On one of our websites there is no content on the home page. So we'd like to redirect someone who accidentally ends up on that page to be redirected to a specific content page.  
I tried a "Redirect Map" with Mapping between "/" -> "/test" but that doesn't work. Do I have to use IIS URL Rewrite module?

5 replies

**Álvaro Montenegro** 2 hours ago  
Have you tried these options? 1) <https://sitecore.stackexchange.com/questions/29592/is-there-a-url-rewrite-module-for-sitecore-10-1-0> 2) <https://github.com/thecadams/301RedirectModule> 3) SXA: <https://doc.sitecore.com/xp/en/users/sxa/103/sitecore-experience-accelerator/redirect-a-url.html>

**Chirag Khanna** 2 hours ago  
**@Dennis The Menace** I believe the redirect module check whether context item is null or not before redirecting...is it possible for you to change the rootpath till home and startpath to '/test' inside site configuration This will make the home page also run fine... (edited)

**Dennis The Menace** 16 minutes ago  
**@Chirag Khanna** Thx. I tried that. This works theoretically, but non-descendants from "/test" now have a "/home" in the URL. So this is not an option for us.  
**@Álvaro Montenegro** 3. -> Do you think it will have any impact to replace the home item with a redirect item? I tried it in my local solution and it seems to work fine. Not sure about long term ramifications though

**Dennis The Menace** 9 minutes ago  
Ah I didn't think this thru. It's both your answers. I use a redirect and put it as Start-Item under Site Settings. Thx **@Álvaro Montenegro** and **@Chirag Khanna**

**Álvaro Montenegro** < 1 minute ago  
**@Dennis The Menace** Exactly. You're welcome!

Reply...

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### 3) Answered "Dustin Horstmann 's" question:

- Link: <https://sitecorechat.slack.com/archives/C26BLC4KZ/p1702314924233419>
- Date: 12/11/2023
- Channel: #sxa

Thread in #sxa

**Thread # sxa**

**Dustin Horstmann** 7 hours ago  
CanonicalUrl and Sitemap using HTTP:  
Hi, we are using the CanonicalUrl in our metadata partial to dynamically grab the page URL and create the canonical link.  
For some reason the protocol is HTTP. The same is true for URLs in our sitemap.  
Our site is served over HTTPS.  
Is there a setting or configuration we can update to ensure our sitemap and canonical URLs use HTTPS?  
We are on 10.2  
Thanks! (edited)

7 replies

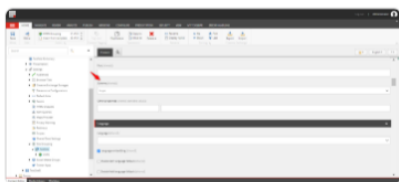

**Álvaro Montenegro** 6 hours ago  
Yes. I recommend setting up on the site definitions of all of your websites the following attribute: `schema="https"`. Also, for the Canonical tag and Sitemap retrieve the link using a command like that `@LinkManager.GetItemUrl(Sitecore.Context.Item, new UriOptions() { AlwaysIncludeServerUrl = true, LanguageEmbedding = LanguageEmbedding.Never })`

**Dustin Horstmann** 5 hours ago  
**@Álvaro Montenegro** thanks for this! About the canonical I'm trying to do it as a content update in Experience Editor editing the metadata partial.  
There is a rendering in the toolbox called CanonicalUrl I've dragged into the partial.  
Is it possible to use that or does this require a code snippet?

**Chirag Khanna** 4 hours ago  
**@Dustin Horstmann** Can you check the scheme set under site settings..Sitemap handler reads the scheme from site settings and set in the url.

**Dustin Horstmann** 4 hours ago  
**@Chirag Khanna** that fixed the sitemap. Thank you! Any idea of where the CanonicalUrl rendering is pulling from?

**Chirag Khanna** 4 hours ago  
this is the code runs for fetching canonical url..it read the scheme from HttpContext... (edited)

### 4) Answered "zachary blackburn's" question:

- Link: <https://sitecorechat.slack.com/archives/C09SJ4FHC/p1706212393869869>
- Date: 01/25/2023
- Channel: #general

Thread in #general

**Thread** # general

I assume this has been asked a ton in the past but, do you all know any good practice exams for the sitecore 10/11 dev certificate test. The sitecore one is only like 14 questions.

4 replies

**Frank van Zutphen** 2 hours ago  
I don't think any other options are available which aren't "frowned upon" (to put it mildly)  
To put it another way, if sitecore only provides 14 test questions, that's what you're stuck with without going the "pirate way"

**ztblackburn** 2 hours ago  
Got you. Thanks, well i did good with the 14 questions so fingers crossed 😊  
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**Álvaro Montenegro** 5 minutes ago  
Instead of looking only for questions, I recommend studying the topics for this certification. This is the way to be prepared. I cover it here:  
<https://alvaropmontenegro.com/2023/03/21/10-topics-you-must-study-for-sitecore-10-net-developer-certification/>  
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**ztblackburn** 4 minutes ago  
Awesome I will check it out!

5) Answered "Claudia Abad's" question:

- Link: <https://sitecorechat.slack.com/archives/C09THADMX/p1709042375821759>
- Date: 02/27/2023
- Channel: #spe

Thread in #spe

**Thread** # spe

**Claudia Abad** 4 hours ago  
Do you have a script to get the whole list of fields of an item? I have a particular issue with an item that has Name as a Custom Property and I cannot get its content.

3 replies

**Álvaro Montenegro** 4 hours ago  
Hey. Try this one

```
#Change the path here
$path = "/sitecore/content/Home"
$item = Get-Item -Path $path

if ($item -ne $null) {
    $fields = $item.Fields

    $fields | ForEach-Object {
        Write-Host "Field Name: ${_.Name}"
        Write-Host "Field Value: ${_.Value}"
        Write-Host "Field Type: ${_.Type}"
        Write-Host "-----"
    }
} else {
    Write-Host "Item not found at path: $itemPath"
}
```

**Claudia Abad** 4 hours ago  
Thanks!!

**Álvaro Montenegro** 3 hours ago  
You're welcome =]