

Learning Paths - Level 01

## Troubleshooting



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#### Session Breakdown



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# Introduction and Session Scope

#### What do we mean by Troubleshooting and why is it important?

#### Introduction

- Identifying abnormal results and tracing the root causes resulting in a resolution and return to normal results.
- Often requires working with Liferay Support for help with product or platform issues.





#### What we are planning to cover in this session

#### **Session Scope**

- Identifying and Classifying Problems
- Liferay Support
- Troubleshooting Aides
- Logging
- APM Tools





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## Identifying and Classifying Problems

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## **Identifying Problems**

- 1. Abnormal or unexpected result.
- 2. Expected result but takes longer than normal.
- 3. An unexpected change (i.e. new UI element).
- 4. An outright error or exception.



#### **Identifying and Classifying Problems**

### **Classifying Problems**

- 1. Product Issues
- 2. Customization Issues
- 3. Usage Issues
- 4. Abuse Issues





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# Liferay Support

#### Liferay Support

## **Three Rules for Working with Liferay Support**

- Open Support tickets as soon as possible.
- Overload the ticket with as much context as possible.
- When Support asks for something, provide it as soon as possible.





## Troubleshooting Aides

#### **Troubleshooting Aides**

#### **Tools You Can Use**

- 1. Support
- 2. Logs
- 3. APM Tools (Glowroot)
- 4. Thread/Heap Dumps
- 5. 'Vanilla' Liferay
- 6. Liferay Community



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## Logging is Key to Understanding

- 1. Use log levels effectively
- 2. Log key logic decisions/outcomes for later diagnosis
- 3. Log exceptions with stack traces
- 4. Log in customizations as well as CX



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#### **APM Tools**

### **Use APMs to Alert Proactively**

- 1. Be Proactive instead of Reactive
- 2. Historic and holistic view of what was happening at the time
- 3. Liferay recommends and uses Glowroot, but any APM is fine





# Troubleshooting Matrix

**Testing/Tuning Matrix** 

### What is available in each environment?

	SaaS	PaaS	Self Hosted
Liferay Support	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
Glowroot/APM	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
Liferay Logs	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
CX Logs	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
Thread Dumps	×	$\bigcirc$	$\odot$
Heap Dumps	X	$\bigcirc$	$\odot$



## When you want to insert a nail into a piece of wood, don't do anything fancy or glamorous. Just take the hammer and hit the thing until it's in.

Thank you