

# Why do I get a javax.el.ELException when using OGNL with JSP2.1?

With JSP2.1 the "#" character is used in the JSP EL. OGNL does use this escape character as well. To get around this there is the possibility to disable JSP EL in web.xml:

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<jsp-config>
  <jsp-property-group>
    <url-pattern>*.jspx</url-pattern>
    <el-ignored>true</el-ignored>
  </jsp-property-group>
</jsp-config>
```

related threads:

- <http://www.mail-archive.com/user%40struts.apache.org/msg56749.html>
- <http://forums.opensymphony.com/thread.jspa?messageID=100059>