





□ Step-by-Step: Creating a Web Application using Kubernetes

◆ Step 1: Install Required Software

Software	Purpose	Download/Command
1. Docker	To build and run container images	 https://www.docker.com/products/docker-desktop
2. kubectl	CLI tool to interact with Kubernetes clusters	 https://kubernetes.io/docs/tasks/tools/
3. Minikube	Local Kubernetes cluster for testing	 https://minikube.sigs.k8s.io/docs/start/
4. VS Code / IDE	To write and manage code	 https://code.visualstudio.com/
5. Web Browser	To access your running web app	Chrome / Edge / Firefox

◆ Step 2: Verify Installation

Open your terminal (or PowerShell on Windows) and check:

```
docker --version
```

```
kubectl version --client
```

```
minikube version
```

◆ Step 3: Start a Local Kubernetes Cluster

```
minikube start
```

✓ This command creates a local Kubernetes cluster using Docker as the driver.

Check cluster status:

```
kubectl get nodes
```

You should see one node named something like minikube.

◆ Step 4: Create a Simple Web Application

Example: Python Flask App (app.py)

```
from flask import Flask

app = Flask(__name__)

@app.route('/')
def home():
    return "Hello from Kubernetes!"

if __name__ == '__main__':
    app.run(host='0.0.0.0', port=5000)
```

Create a requirements.txt

```
flask
```

◆ Step 5: Create a Dockerfile

```
FROM python:3.9-slim
WORKDIR /app
COPY . /app
RUN pip install -r requirements.txt
CMD ["python", "app.py"]
```

◆ Step 6: Build and Run Docker Image

```
docker build -t flask-k8s-app .
docker run -p 5000:5000 flask-k8s-app
```

☑ Open browser → <http://localhost:5000> → You should see
"Hello from Kubernetes!"

◆ Step 7: Create Kubernetes Deployment and Service Files

📄 deployment.yaml

```
apiVersion: apps/v1
kind: Deployment
metadata:
  name: flask-deployment
```

```
spec:
  replicas: 2
  selector:
    matchLabels:
      app: flask-app
  template:
    metadata:
      labels:
        app: flask-app
    spec:
      containers:
        - name: flask-container
          image: flask-k8s-app
          ports:
            - containerPort: 5000
```

service.yaml

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Service
metadata:
  name: flask-service
spec:
  type: NodePort
  selector:
    app: flask-app
  ports:
    - port: 5000
      targetPort: 5000
      nodePort: 30007
```

Step 8: Apply Deployment and Service

```
kubectl apply -f deployment.yaml
```

```
kubectl apply -f service.yaml
```

Check status:

```
kubectl get pods
```

```
kubectl get svc
```

◆ Step 9: Access the Web App

Start Minikube tunnel or get the URL:

```
minikube service flask-service
```

✓ It will open your web app in the browser — running inside Kubernetes!

◆ Step 10: Manage Your Cluster

Command	Description
<code>kubectl get pods</code>	Lists running pods
<code>kubectl logs <pod-name></code>	Shows app logs
<code>kubectl delete -f deployment.yaml</code>	Deletes deployment
<code>minikube stop</code>	Stops cluster
<code>minikube delete</code>	Removes cluster

□ Optional (For Production)

If deploying to a cloud platform:

- Use **Google Kubernetes Engine (GKE)**, **AWS EKS**, or **Azure AKS**
- Push your image to **Docker Hub** or **Google Container Registry**
- Update the image path in your deployment YAML file.