Hosting a simple website for free can be done through various platforms that offer free hosting services. Here's a step-by-step guide on how to host a simple website for free using GitHub Pages:

1. \*\*Create a GitHub Account\*\*:

If you don't have one already, sign up for a GitHub account at [GitHub](https://github.com/).

2. \*\*Create a New Repository\*\*:

- Once logged in, click on the "+" icon in the top-right corner of the page and select "New repository".

- Name your repository in the format `username.github.io`, where `username` is your GitHub username. This naming convention is required for GitHub Pages to work.

- Optionally, you can add a description for your repository.

- Choose whether your repository will be public or private. For hosting a website, it needs to be public.

3. \*\*Upload Your Website Files\*\*:

- You can either create a new HTML file directly in the GitHub interface or upload an existing website folder.

- If you're uploading an existing website, click on "Add file" > "Upload files" and drag your website files into the repository.

- Ensure that your main HTML file is named `index.html`, as GitHub Pages will look for this file to serve as the homepage of your website.

4. \*\*Enable GitHub Pages\*\*:

- Go to your repository settings by clicking on the "Settings" tab.

- Scroll down to the "GitHub Pages" section.

- Under the "Source" dropdown menu, select the branch where your website files are located. Usually, it will be the `main` branch.

- Click on "Save".

5. \*\*Access Your Website\*\*:

- After enabling GitHub Pages, GitHub will provide you with a URL where your website is hosted. It typically follows this format: `https://username.github.io`.

- It may take a few minutes for the changes to take effect, but once it's ready, you can visit your website using the provided URL.

That's it! Your website is now hosted for free on GitHub Pages. You can continue to update your website by pushing changes to your repository.