**DEPLOY YOUR WEBSITE TO GITHUB PAGES**

**Create A GitHub Account**

There are many different ways to deploy a website to the public Internet. In this unit, we’ll use [GitHub](https://www.codecademy.com/resources/docs/general/github) Pages to deploy your website.

GitHub Pages is a service offered by GitHub. Specifically, GitHub Pages are public webpages that are hosted and published through GitHub.

Why GitHub Pages? In the last unit, we generated a site using Jekyll. GitHub Pages offers extensive integration and support for Jekyll. By using both, you’ll benefit from:

* Easy setup
* Troubleshooting your site
* Updating and maintaining your site

**Note:** Remember, it is possible to follow all of the steps outlined in this course with your *own* content — just make sure that your HTML is inside of a file called **index.html** (a GitHub Pages requirement).

**Instructions**

To succesfully deploy your site, you will need a GitHub account.

In your own browser:

1. Start a new tab
2. Navigate to <https://github.com/>
3. Create an account

If you already have GitHub account, continue to the next exercise.

After signing up, be sure to verify your e-mail address.

**Note:** The content to the right is a video. You can play the video if you’d like to view a demonstration of the instructions. You’ll come across more videos like this throughout the rest of the course.