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Lab Exercise 9- Managing Namespaces in Kubernetes

Step 1: Understand Namespaces

Namespaces provide a mechanism for scoping resources in a cluster. Namespaces can be used to:

- Create environments for different applications or teams.
- Apply policies like resource quotas or network policies on a per-namespace basis.
- Separate operational environments (like development and production).

Step 2: List Existing Namespaces

To list all the namespaces in your Kubernetes cluster:

kubectl get namespaces

```
Terminal

PS C:\Users\Slayer> kubectl get namespaces
NAME              STATUS   AGE
default           Active   15d
kube-node-lease   Active   15d
kube-public       Active   15d
kube-system       Active   15d
PS C:\Users\Slayer>
```

You will typically see default namespaces like default, kube-system, and kube-public.

Step 3: Create a Namespace

You can create a namespace using a YAML file or directly with the kubectl command.

Using YAML File
Create a file named ***my-namespace.yaml*** with the following content:

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Namespace
metadata:
  name: my-namespace
```

```
my-namespace.yaml
my-namespace.yaml
1  apiVersion: v1
2  kind: Namespace
3  metadata:
4    name: my-namespace
5
```

Apply this YAML to create the namespace:

```
kubectl apply -f my-namespace.yaml
```

```
PS C:\Users\Slayer\nginx-html-app> kubectl apply -f my-namespace.yaml
namespace/my-namespace created
PS C:\Users\Slayer\nginx-html-app>
```

Verify that the namespace is created:

```
kubectl get namespaces
```

```
PS C:\Users\Slayer\nginx-html-app> kubectl get namespaces
NAME              STATUS   AGE
default           Active   15d
kube-node-lease   Active   15d
kube-public       Active   15d
kube-system       Active   15d
my-namespace      Active   80s
```

You should see my-namespace listed in the output.

Step 4: Deploy Resources in a Namespace

Create resources such as Pods, Services, or Deployments within the new namespace.

Deploy a Pod in the Namespace

Create a YAML file named ***nginx-pod.yaml*** with the following content:

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
  name: nginx-pod
  namespace: my-namespace   # Specify the namespace for the Pod.
spec:
  containers:
  - name: nginx
    image: nginx:latest
    ports:
    - containerPort: 80
```

```
PS C:\Users\Slayer\nginx-html-app> code .
```

nginx-pod.yaml

```yaml
apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
  name: nginx-pod
  namespace: my-namespace   # Specify the namespace for the Pod.
spec:
  containers:
  - name: nginx
    image: nginx:latest
    ports:
    - containerPort: 80
```

Apply this YAML to create the Pod:

kubectl apply -f nginx-pod.yaml

```
PS C:\Users\Slayer\nginx-html-app> kubectl apply -f nginx-pod.yaml
pod/nginx-pod created
```

Check the status of the Pod within the namespace:

kubectl get pods -n my-namespace

```
PS C:\Users\Slayer\nginx-html-app> kubectl get pods -n my-namespace
NAME        READY   STATUS    RESTARTS   AGE
nginx-pod   1/1     Running   0          21s
```

To describe the Pod and see detailed information:

kubectl describe pod nginx-pod -n my-namespace

```
C:\Users\Slayer\nginx-html-app>kubectl describe pod nginx-pod -n my-namespace
Name:             nginx-pod
Namespace:        my-namespace
Priority:         0
Service Account:  default
Node:             minikube/192.168.49.2
Start Time:       Sun, 24 Nov 2024 20:03:57 +0530
Labels:           <none>
Annotations:      <none>
Status:           Running
IP:               10.244.0.14
IPs:
  IP:  10.244.0.14
Containers:
  nginx:
    Container ID:   docker://a74e0be5159d1b5bc5388c4fee3defd8b7d16d135cc69f7f41739a2a9bdad941
    Image:          nginx:latest
    Image ID:       docker-pullable://nginx@sha256:bc5eac5eafc581aeda3008b4b1f07ebba230de2f27d47767129a6a905c84f470
    Port:           80/TCP
    Host Port:      0/TCP
    State:          Running
      Started:      Sun, 24 Nov 2024 20:04:12 +0530
    Ready:          True
    Restart Count:  0
    Environment:    <none>
    Mounts:
      /var/run/secrets/kubernetes.io/serviceaccount from kube-api-access-w4pfm (ro)
Conditions:
  Type                        Status
  PodReadyToStartContainers   True
  Initialized                 True
  Ready                       True
  ContainersReady             True
  PodScheduled                True
Volumes:
  kube-api-access-w4pfm:
    Type:                    Projected (a volume that contains injected data from multiple sources)
    TokenExpirationSeconds:  3607
    ConfigMapName:           kube-root-ca.crt
    ConfigMapOptional:       <nil>
    DownwardAPI:             true
QoS Class:                   BestEffort
Node-Selectors:              <none>
Tolerations:                 node.kubernetes.io/not-ready:NoExecute op=Exists for 300s
                             node.kubernetes.io/unreachable:NoExecute op=Exists for 300s
Events:
  Type    Reason     Age    From               Message
  ----    ------     ----   ----               -------
  Normal  Scheduled  3m35s  default-scheduler  Successfully assigned my-namespace/nginx-pod to minikube
  Normal  Pulling    3m34s  kubelet            Pulling image "nginx:latest"
  Normal  Pulled     3m20s  kubelet            Successfully pulled image "nginx:latest" in 13.627s (13.627s including waiting). Image size: 191670156 bytes.
  Normal  Created    3m20s  kubelet            Created container nginx
  Normal  Started    3m20s  kubelet            Started container nginx
```

Create a Service in the Namespace

Create a YAML file named nginx-service.yaml with the following content:

```
apiVersion: v1
kind: Service
metadata:
  name: nginx-service
  namespace: my-namespace   # Specify the namespace for the Service.
spec:
  selector:
    app: nginx-pod
```

```
ports:
- protocol: TCP
  port: 80
  targetPort: 80
type: ClusterIP
```

```
PS C:\Users\Slayer\nginx-html-app> code .
```

nginx-service.yaml

```yaml
apiVersion: v1
kind: Service
metadata:
  name: nginx-service
  namespace: my-namespace   # Specify the namespace for the Service.
spec:
  selector:
    app: nginx-pod
  ports:
  - protocol: TCP
    port: 80
    targetPort: 80
  type: ClusterIP

```

Apply this YAML to create the Service:

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

```
PS C:\Users\Slayer\nginx-html-app> kubectl apply -f nginx-service.yaml
service/nginx-service created
```

Check the status of the Service within the namespace:

```
kubectl get services -n my-namespace
```

```
PS C:\Users\Slayer\nginx-html-app> kubectl get services -n my-namespace
NAME            TYPE        CLUSTER-IP       EXTERNAL-IP   PORT(S)   AGE
nginx-service   ClusterIP   10.102.110.205   <none>        80/TCP    21s
```

To describe the Service and see detailed information:

kubectl describe service nginx-service -n my-namespace

```
C:\Users\Slayer\nginx-html-app>kubectl describe service nginx-service -n my-namespace
Name:              nginx-service
Namespace:         my-namespace
Labels:            <none>
Annotations:       <none>
Selector:          app=nginx-pod
Type:              ClusterIP
IP Family Policy:  SingleStack
IP Families:       IPv4
IP:                10.102.110.205
IPs:               10.102.110.205
Port:              <unset>  80/TCP
TargetPort:        80/TCP
Endpoints:         <none>
Session Affinity:  None
Events:            <none>
```

Step 5: Switching Context Between Namespaces

When working with multiple namespaces, you can specify the namespace in kubectl commands or switch the default context.

Specify Namespace in Commands

You can specify the namespace directly in kubectl commands using the -n or --namespace flag:

kubectl get pods -n my-namespace

```
PS C:\Users\Slayer\nginx-html-app> kubectl get pods -n my-namespace
NAME        READY   STATUS    RESTARTS   AGE
nginx-pod   1/1     Running   0          8m29s
```

Set Default Namespace for kubectl Commands

To avoid specifying the namespace every time, you can set the default namespace for the current context:

kubectl config set-context --current --namespace=my-namespace

```
PS C:\Users\Slayer\nginx-html-app> kubectl config set-context --current --namespace=my-namespace
Context "minikube" modified.
PS C:\Users\Slayer\nginx-html-app>
```

Verify the current context's namespace:

kubectl config view --minify | findstr namespace:

```
PS C:\Users\Slayer\nginx-html-app> kubectl config view --minify | findstr namespace
>>
    namespace: my-namespace
PS C:\Users\Slayer\nginx-html-app>
```

Step 6: Clean Up Resources

To delete the resources and the namespace you created:

kubectl delete -f nginx-pod.yaml

kubectl delete -f nginx-service.yaml

kubectl delete namespace my-namespace

```
PS C:\Users\Slayer\nginx-html-app> kubectl delete -f nginx-pod.yaml
pod "nginx-pod" deleted
PS C:\Users\Slayer\nginx-html-app> kubectl delete -f nginx-service.yaml
service "nginx-service" deleted
PS C:\Users\Slayer\nginx-html-app> kubectl delete namespace my-namespace
namespace "my-namespace" deleted
PS C:\Users\Slayer\nginx-html-app>
```

Ensure that the namespace and all its resources are deleted:

kubectl get namespaces

```
PS C:\Users\Slayer\nginx-html-app> kubectl get namespaces
NAME              STATUS   AGE
default           Active   15d
kube-node-lease   Active   15d
kube-public       Active   15d
kube-system       Active   15d
PS C:\Users\Slayer\nginx-html-app>
```