

## # Project Setup Guide

*This guide provides instructions on how to set up and run this project locally on your machine.*

### ## Prerequisites

*To run this project, you will need:*

- \* A modern web browser (e.g., Chrome, Firefox, Safari, Edge).*
- \* **Python** installed on your system (for running a simple local web server).*

*If you don't have Python, you can download it from [python.org](https://www.python.org/).*

### ## Running the Project

*Due to browser security policies (`CORS`), opening the `index.html` file directly from your local file system may cause issues with loading project files. The recommended way to run this project is by using a local web server.*

#### ### Using Python's built-in web server

*This is the simplest method if you have Python installed.*

- 1. **Open your terminal or command prompt.***
- 2. **Navigate to the project's root directory** (the `Project\_CN` folder).*

```
``bash  
cd path/to/Project_CN  
``
```

- 3. **Start the local web server.***

*\* If you are using **Python 3**, run the following command:*

```
``bash  
python -m http.server  
``
```

*\* If you are using **Python 2**, run this command instead:*

```
``bash  
python -m SimpleHTTPServer  
``
```

- 4. **Access the project in your browser.***

*Once the server is running, you will see a message like `Serving HTTP on 0.0.0.0 port 8000 (http://0.0.0.0:8000/) ...`.*

Open your web browser and navigate to:  
[http://localhost:8000](http://localhost:8000)

Your project should now be running correctly in the browser.

### ### Alternative: Using Node.js and `live-server`

If you are a developer with Node.js installed, you can use the `live-server` package, which automatically reloads the page when you make changes.

1. **\*\*Install `live-server` globally\*\*** (if you haven't already):

```
```bash
npm install -g live-server
```
```

2. **\*\*Navigate to the project's root directory\*\*** in your terminal.

3. **\*\*Start the server:\*\***

```
```bash
live-server
```
```

This will automatically open the project in your default web browser.

### ## Project Structure Overview

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```
├── index.html    # The main HTML file for the entire site
├── README.md     # General project information
├── files/        # Contains all downloadable assets
│   ├── SETUP.md # This setup guide
│   ├── *.pdf    # Project reports and assignments
│   ├── *.pkt    # Cisco Packet Tracer simulation files
│   ├── *.pptx   # Presentation files
│   └── *.png    # Images used in the gallery
...
```

Now you are all set up to explore the projects!