

1. Install and unzip istio-1.28.1 from the official website
2. Move to the Istio package directory

```
cd istio-1.28.1
```

3. Add the istioctl client to my path

```
$env:PATH = "$PWD\bin;$env:PATH"
```

4. Install Istio using the demo profile, without any gateways

```
istioctl install -f samples/bookinfo/demo-profile-no-gateways.yaml -y
```

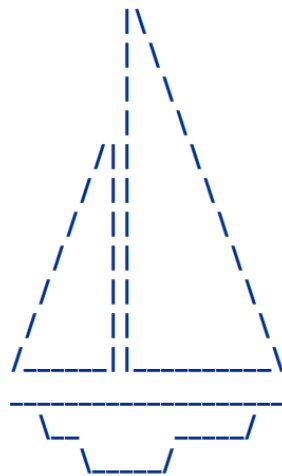
5. Install Istio using the demo profile, without any gateways

```
kubectl label namespace default istio-injection=enabled
```

```
PS D:\> cd istio-1.28.1
```

```
PS D:\istio-1.28.1> $env:PATH = "$PWD\bin;$env:PATH"
```

```
PS D:\istio-1.28.1> istioctl install -f samples\bookinfo\demo-profile-no-gateways.yaml -y
```



✓ Istio core installed 🚢

✓ Istiod installed 🧠

✓ Installation complete

```
PS D:\istio-1.28.1> kubectl label namespace default istio-injection=enabled namespace/default labeled
```

6. Install the Gateway API CRDs

```
kubectl kustomize "github.com/kubernetes-sigs/gateway-api/config/crd?ref=v1.4.0" |
```

```
kubectl apply -f -
```

Problem that I met:

```
PS D:\istio-1.28.1> kubectl kustomize "github.com/kubernetes-sigs/gateway-api/config/crd?ref=v1.4.0" | kubectl apply -f -
error: failed to run 'D:\Git\cmd\git.exe fetch --depth=1 https://github.com/kubernetes-sigs/gateway-api v1.4.0': fatal: unable to access 'https://github.com/kubernetes-sigs/gateway-api/': Failed to connect to github.com port 443 after 21103 ms: Could not connect to server
: exit status 128
error: no objects passed to apply
```

Solution: pull manually

```
kubectl apply --server-side -f D:\istio-1.28.1\gateway-api\standard-install.yaml
```

```
PS D:\istio-1.28.1> kubectl apply -f D:\istio-1.28.1\gateway-api\standard-install.yaml
Warning: unrecognized format "int64"
Warning: unrecognized format "int32"
customresourcedefinition.apiextensions.k8s.io/backendtlspolicies.gateway.networking.k8s.io created
customresourcedefinition.apiextensions.k8s.io/gatewayclasses.gateway.networking.k8s.io created
customresourcedefinition.apiextensions.k8s.io/gateways.gateway.networking.k8s.io created
customresourcedefinition.apiextensions.k8s.io/grpcroutes.gateway.networking.k8s.io created
customresourcedefinition.apiextensions.k8s.io/httproutes.gateway.networking.k8s.io created
customresourcedefinition.apiextensions.k8s.io/referencegrants.gateway.networking.k8s.io created
PS D:\istio-1.28.1> kubectl get crd | findstr gateway.networking.k8s.io
backendtlspolicies.gateway.networking.k8s.io    2025-12-15T09:00:38Z
gatewayclasses.gateway.networking.k8s.io       2025-12-15T09:00:38Z
gateways.gateway.networking.k8s.io            2025-12-15T09:00:38Z
grpcroutes.gateway.networking.k8s.io          2025-12-15T09:00:39Z
httproutes.gateway.networking.k8s.io          2025-12-15T09:00:39Z
referencegrants.gateway.networking.k8s.io      2025-12-15T09:00:39Z
```

7. Deploy the Bookinfo sample application

```
kubectl apply -f samples/bookinfo/platform/kube/bookinfo.yaml
```

```
PS D:\istio-1.28.1> kubectl apply -f samples/bookinfo/platform/kube/bookinfo.yaml
service/details created
serviceaccount/bookinfo-details created
deployment.apps/details-v1 created
service/ratings created
serviceaccount/bookinfo-ratings created
deployment.apps/ratings-v1 created
service/reviews created
serviceaccount/bookinfo-reviews created
deployment.apps/reviews-v1 created
deployment.apps/reviews-v2 created
deployment.apps/reviews-v3 created
service/productpage created
serviceaccount/bookinfo-productpage created
deployment.apps/productpage-v1 created
```

8. Check if each pod becomes ready

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```

```
PS D:\istio-1.28.1> kubectl get services
```

NAME	TYPE	CLUSTER-IP	EXTERNAL-IP	PORT(S)	AGE
details	ClusterIP	10.96.125.79	<none>	9080/TCP	16s
kubernetes	ClusterIP	10.96.0.1	<none>	443/TCP	59d
productpage	ClusterIP	10.99.180.196	<none>	9080/TCP	16s
ratings	ClusterIP	10.106.87.186	<none>	9080/TCP	16s
reviews	ClusterIP	10.111.60.241	<none>	9080/TCP	16s

```
PS D:\istio-1.28.1> kubectl get pods
```

NAME	READY	STATUS	RESTARTS	AGE
details-v1-77d6bd5675-7jh2h	2/2	Running	0	4m49s
productpage-v1-bb87ff47b-6hjrj	2/2	Running	0	4m48s
ratings-v1-8589f64b4c-4ztrj	2/2	Running	0	4m49s
reviews-v1-8cf7b9cc5-wh2v8	2/2	Running	0	4m49s
reviews-v2-67d565655f-t7kc5	2/2	Running	0	4m49s
reviews-v3-d587fc9d7-v6m4w	2/2	Running	0	4m49s

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```
$RATINGS_POD = kubectl get pod -l app=ratings -o jsonpath="{.items[0].metadata.name}"
kubectl exec $RATINGS_POD -c ratings -- \
  curl -sS productpage:9080/productpage |
  Select-String "<title>.*</title>" |
  ForEach-Object { $_.Matches[0].Value }
```

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>> ForEach-Object { $_.Matches[0].Value }
<title>Simple Bookstore App</title>
```

- Create a Kubernetes Gateway for the Bookinfo application

```
kubectl apply -f samples/bookinfo/gateway-api/bookinfo-gateway.yaml
```

- Change the service type to ClusterIP by annotating the gateway

```
kubectl annotate gateway bookinfo-gateway networking.istio.io/service-type=ClusterIP
--namespace=default
```

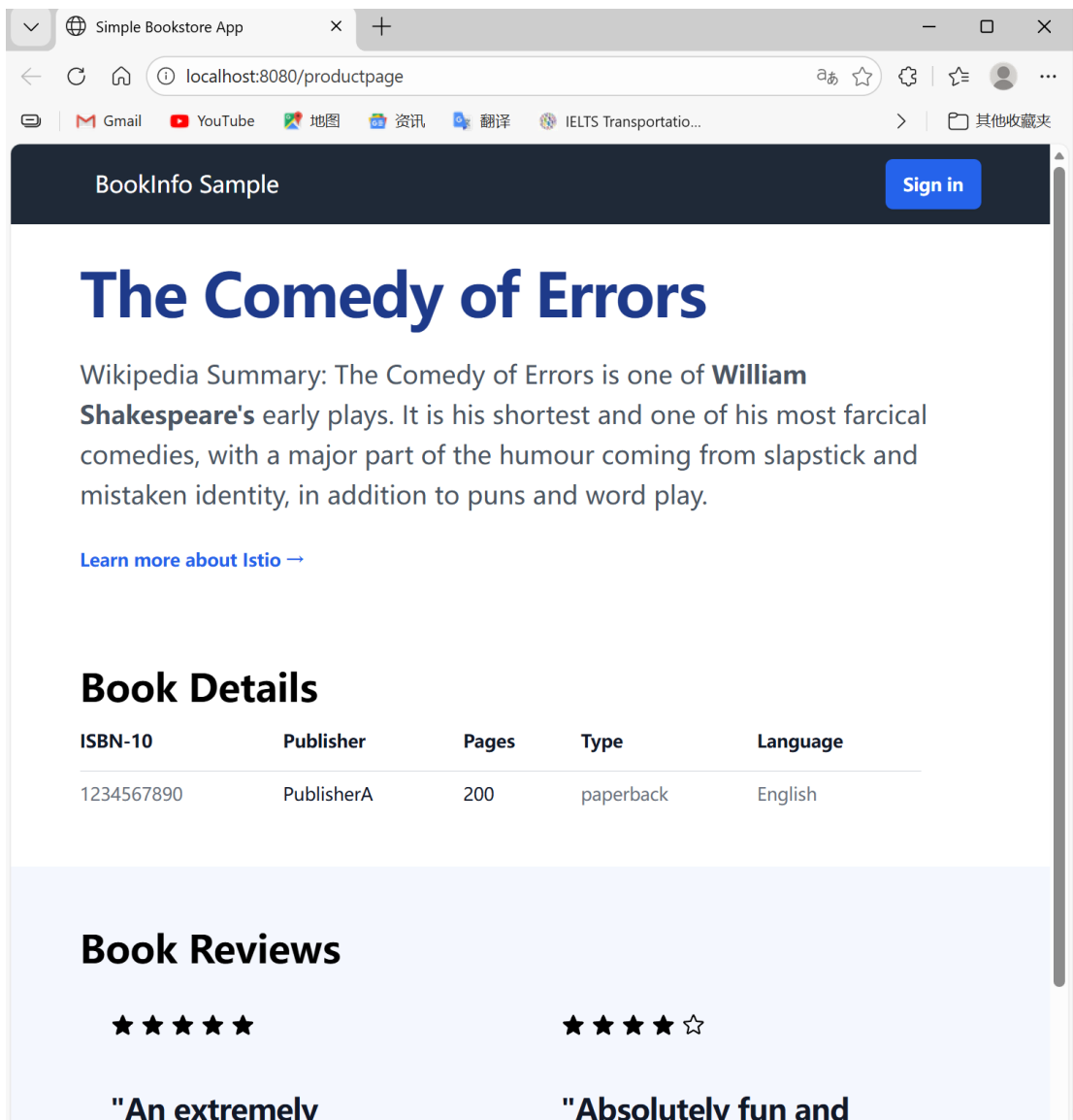
```
PS D:\istio-1.28.1> kubectl apply -f samples/bookinfo/gateway-api/bookinfo-gateway.yaml
gateway.gateway.networking.k8s.io/bookinfo-gateway created
httproute.gateway.networking.k8s.io/bookinfo created
PS D:\istio-1.28.1> kubectl annotate gateway bookinfo-gateway networking.istio.io/service-type=ClusterIP --namespace=default
gateway.gateway.networking.k8s.io/bookinfo-gateway annotated
PS D:\istio-1.28.1> kubectl get gateway
```

NAME	CLASS	ADDRESS	PROG
bookinfo-gateway	istio	bookinfo-gateway-istio.default.svc.cluster.local	True

- kubectl port-forward svc/bookinfo-gateway-istio 8080:80

```
PS D:\istio-1.28.1> kubectl port-forward svc/bookinfo-gateway-istio 8080:80
Forwarding from 127.0.0.1:8080 -> 80
Forwarding from [::1]:8080 -> 80
Handling connection for 8080
Handling connection for 8080
^
```

13. access to the Bookinfo productpage



14. Install Kiali and the other addons

```
kubectl apply -f samples/addons/kiali.yaml
```

```
kubectl rollout status deployment/kiali -n istio-system
```

15. Access the Kiali dashboard

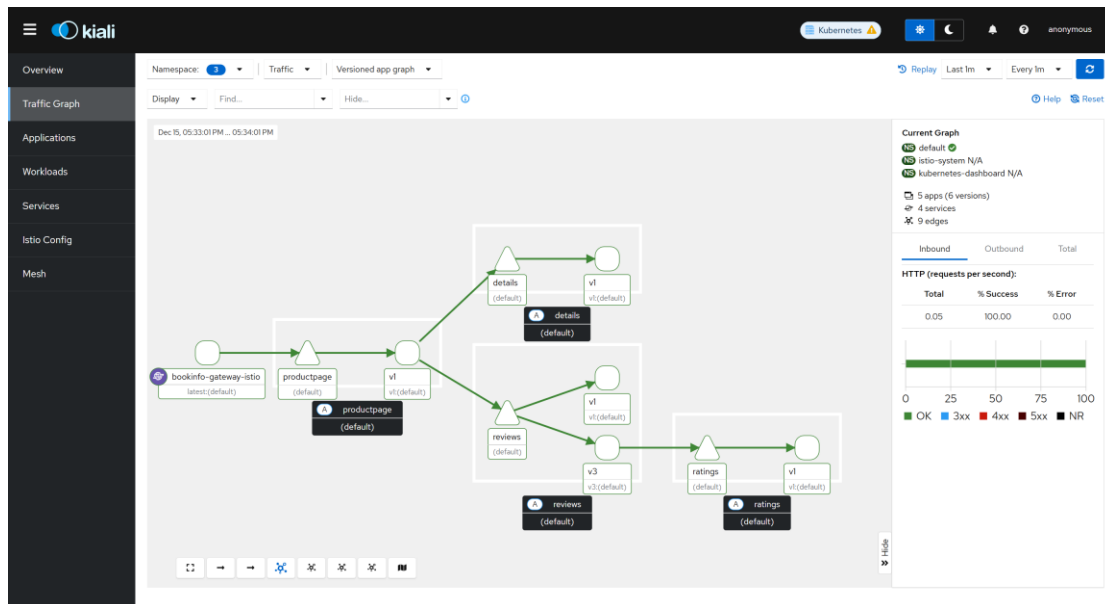
```
istioctl dashboard kiali
```

```
PS D:\istio-1.28.1> kubectl apply -f samples/addons/kiali.yaml
serviceaccount/kiali created
configmap/kiali created
clusterrole.rbac.authorization.k8s.io/kiali created
clusterrolebinding.rbac.authorization.k8s.io/kiali created
service/kiali created
deployment.apps/kiali created
PS D:\istio-1.28.1> kubectl rollout status deployment/kiali -n istio-system
Waiting for deployment "kiali" rollout to finish: 0 of 1 updated replicas are available...
deployment "kiali" successfully rolled out
PS D:\istio-1.28.1> istioctl dashboard kiali
http://localhost:20001/kiali
[]
```

16. In the left navigation menu, select *Graph* and in the *Namespace* drop down, select *default*.

Then send 100 requests to the productpage service

```
PS D:\istio-1.28.1> 1..100 | ForEach-Object { curl.exe -s http://localhost:8080/productpage | Out-Null }
```



17. Delete the Bookinfo sample application and its configuration

```
kubectl delete -f samples/addons
```

```
istioctl uninstall -y --purge
```

```
kubectl delete namespace istio-system
```

```
kubectl label namespace default istio-injection-
```

```
PS D:\istio-1.28.1> kubectl delete -f samples/addons
serviceaccount "kiali" deleted from istio-system namespace
configmap "kiali" deleted from istio-system namespace
clusterrole.rbac.authorization.k8s.io "kiali" deleted
clusterrolebinding.rbac.authorization.k8s.io "kiali" deleted
service "kiali" deleted from istio-system namespace
deployment.apps "kiali" deleted from istio-system namespace
serviceaccount "prometheus" deleted from istio-system namespace
configmap "prometheus" deleted from istio-system namespace
clusterrole.rbac.authorization.k8s.io "prometheus" deleted
clusterrolebinding.rbac.authorization.k8s.io "prometheus" deleted
```

```
PS D:\istio-1.28.1> istioctl uninstall -y --purge
All Istio resources will be pruned from the cluster
```

```
Removed apps/v1, Kind=Deployment/istiod.istio-system.
Removed /v1, Kind=Service/istiod.istio-system.
Removed /v1, Kind=Service/istiod-revision-tag-default.istio-system.
Removed /v1, Kind=ConfigMap/istio.istio-system.
Removed /v1, Kind=ConfigMap/istio-sidecar-injector.istio-system.
Removed /v1, Kind=ConfigMap/values.istio-system.
Removed /v1, Kind=Pod/istiod-7865c9494-pb52h.istio-system.
Removed /v1, Kind=ServiceAccount/istio-reader-service-account.istio-system.
Removed /v1, Kind=ServiceAccount/istiod.istio-system.
Removed rbac.authorization.k8s.io/v1, Kind=RoleBinding/istiod.istio-system.
Removed rbac.authorization.k8s.io/v1, Kind=Role/istiod.istio-system.
Removed admissionregistration.k8s.io/v1, Kind=MutatingWebhookConfiguration/istio-
-revision-tag-default..
Removed admissionregistration.k8s.io/v1, Kind=MutatingWebhookConfiguration/istio-
-sidecar-injector..
Removed admissionregistration.k8s.io/v1, Kind=ValidatingWebhookConfiguration/istio-
-validator-istio-system..
Removed admissionregistration.k8s.io/v1, Kind=ValidatingWebhookConfiguration/istiod-
default-validator..
```

```
PS D:\istio-1.28.1> kubectl delete namespace istio-system
namespace "istio-system" deleted
```

```
PS D:\istio-1.28.1> kubectl label namespace default istio-injection-
namespace/default unlabeled
```