Exercise Worksheet

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From the Course:

Understanding Docker Run, Dockerfile, Docker-Compose for Beginners

Using PHP with volume mounting in docker images step by step

docker run -it --rm --name my-running-script php:7.2-cli /bin/bash

- Downloads the official php 7.2 cli image
- Runs a shell inside

php -m

• Get the installed modules

php -i

• Get the config of the PHP cli

echo '<? echo "test text\n";' > ~/index.php

- This will write <? echo "text text\n"; into the index.php file in the home directory of root
- Let's execute this

php ~/index.php

Should print now "test text"

exit

- Will end the container, but will also remove the container (including our index.php) because of the --rm flag
- This is where mounting an external host directory comes in handy

docker run -it --rm -v \${PWD}:/myfiles --name my-running-script
php:7.0-cli /bin/bash

- Now we are running the php 7.0, not the php 7.2 cli
- And we are mounting the root directory into the /myfiles directory inside the container

echo '<? echo "test text\n";' > /myfiles/index.php

- This creates the same index.php, but this time inside /myfiles.
- Observe the host directory

php /myfiles/index.php

• This should run index.php with the php 7.0 interpreter

exit

 We can safely exit again, because our file is securely stored on the host. It will not be destroyed with the container upon exiting docker run -it --rm -v \${PWD}:/myfiles --name my-running-script
php:7.2-cli /bin/bash

- Let's re-run the 7.2-cli container
- This time with the same directory mounted in /myfiles

php /myfiles/index.php

• This allows you to execute the same script with another PHP version

exit

• Let's exit the container

docker run -it --rm -v \${PWD}:/myfiles -w /myfiles --name myrunning-script php:7.2-cli php index.php

- Will directory run index.php and output the "test text" and exit again
- No need to actually enter the container
- -w flag again sets the working directory to /myfiles