Node App Chat (Part 2)

(This is part 2 of my chat since the first part was getting overly long)

Hello I'm currently working on creating a Full stack Node / postgress application of a guess the number game using docker-composer.yml and Dockerfile files. I currently can't seem to get the application running on my local hose 3000 so I was wondering if you could help me. Here are my files: /db/init.sql -- db/init.sql CREATE TABLE IF NOT EXISTS game_sessions (id SERIAL PRIMARY KEY, number_to_guess INTEGER NOT NULL, current_guess INTEGER); INSERT INTO game_sessions (number) VALUES (FLOOR(RANDOM() * 100 + 1)); -- Random number 1-100 /public/script.js // public/script.js let gameId; async function startNewGame() { const response = await fetch('/start'); const game = await response.json(); gameId = game.id; alert('New game started! Guess a number between 1 and 100.'); document.getElementById('guessForm').style.display = 'block'; // Show the guess form } async function submitGuess(event) { event.preventDefault(); // Prevent the form from submitting the traditional way const guess = parseInt(document.getElementById('guessInput').value); const response = await fetch('/api/guess', { method: 'POST', headers: { 'Content-Type': 'application/json' }, body: JSON.stringify({ id: gameId, guess }) }); const result = await response.json(); alert(result.message); } document.getElementById('startGame').addEventListener('click', startNewGame); // Corrected the ID reference document.getElementById('guessForm').addEventListener('submit', submitGuess); // Attach submit event to the form app.js // app.js const express = require('express'); const { Pool } = require('pg'); const path = require('path'); const app = express(); app.use(express.json()); app.use(express.static('public')); // Serve static files like index.html, style.css, etc. const pool = new Pool({ user: 'yourusername', host: 'db', database: 'guess_the_number', password: 'yourpassword', port: 5432, }); // Start a new game app.post('/start', async (req, res) => { const result = await pool.query('INSERT INTO games (number) VALUES (FLOOR(RANDOM() * 100 + 1)) RETURNING *'); res.json(result.rows[0]); }); // Make a guess app.post('/guess/:id', async (req, res) => { const { id, guess } = req.body; try { const gameResult = await pool.query('SELECT number, attempts FROM games WHERE id = $1', [id]); if (gameResult.rowCount === 0) { return res.status(404).send('Game not found'); } const { number, attempts } = gameResult.rows[0]; const newAttempts = attempts + 1; if (guess === number) { res.json({ message: 'Correct!', attempts: newAttempts }); // Optionally, delete the game after it's won await pool.query('DELETE FROM games WHERE id = $1', [id]); } else { res.json({ message: guess < number ? 'Too low!' : 'Too high!', attempts: newAttempts }); await pool.query('UPDATE games SET attempts = $1 WHERE id = $2', [newAttempts, id]); } } catch (err) { console.error(err); res.status(500).send('Server error'); } }); // Start the server app.listen(port, () => { console.log(`Server running at http://localhost:${port}`); }); docker-composer.yml # docker-compose.yml version: '3.8' services: app: build: context: . dockerfile: Dockerfile ports: - '3000:3000' environment: - DATABASE_URL=postgres://postgres:postgres@db:5432/guess_game_db volumes: - .:/app # Mount the current directory to the container's /app directory - /app/node_modules # Avoid conflicts with host node_modules depends_on: - db container_name: guess_the_number-app command: npm start # Use npm start to run the application db: image: postgres:13 restart:

always environment: POSTGRES_USER: postgres POSTGRES_PASSWORD: postgres POSTGRES_DB: guess_game_db ports: - '5432:5432' volumes: - db_data:/var/lib/postgresql/data - ./db/init.sql:/docker-entrypoint-initdb.d/init.sql container_name: guess_the_number-db volumes: db_data: Dockerfile # Dockerfile # Use an official Node.js image as the base image FROM node:18-alpine # Set the working directory inside the container WORKDIR /app # Copy package.json and package-lock.json to the working directory COPY package*.json ./ # Install Node.js dependencies RUN npm install # Copy the rest of the application code COPY . . # Expose the port the app will run on EXPOSE 3000 # Start the application CMD ["npm", "start"] and package.json { "name": "guessnumber", "version": "1.0.0", "main": "app.js", "scripts": { "start": "node app.js" }, "dependencies": { "express": "^4.17.1", "pg": "^8.7.1" } }

ChatGPT said:

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It looks like you're trying to set up a full-stack application for a "Guess the Number" game using Node.js, PostgreSQL, and Docker. There are a few things we can check and correct to help you get the application running on your local host at port 3000. Let's go through the provided files step-by-step to ensure everything is set up correctly.

Key Issues & Corrections

Table Name Consistency: Your `init.sql` script creates a table named `game_sessions`, but your `app.js` references a table named `games`. This inconsistency will lead to SQL errors when trying to start a game or submit guesses.

Correction: Ensure the table names match. If you want to keep the name as `game_sessions`, change the queries in `app.js` to reference `game_sessions`.

Here's the corrected SQL file:

sql

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```
-- db/init.sql
CREATE TABLE IF NOT EXISTS game_sessions (
    id SERIAL PRIMARY KEY,
    number_to_guess INTEGER NOT NULL,
    current_guess INTEGER,
    attempts INTEGER DEFAULT 0
);

INSERT INTO game_sessions (number_to_guess) VALUES (FLOOR(RANDOM() *
100 + 1));
```

And update your queries in `app.js`:

javascript

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```
// Start a new game
app.post('/start', async (req, res) => {
    const result = await pool.query('INSERT INTO game_sessions
(number_to_guess) VALUES (FLOOR(RANDOM() * 100 + 1)) RETURNING *');
    res.json(result.rows[0]);
});

// Make a guess
app.post('/guess', async (req, res) => {
    const { id, guess } = req.body;
    try {
        const gameResult = await pool.query('SELECT number_to_guess,
attempts FROM game_sessions WHERE id = $1', [id]);
        if (gameResult.rowCount === 0) {
            return res.status(404).send('Game not found');
        }
        const { number_to_guess, attempts } = gameResult.rows[0];
        const newAttempts = attempts + 1;

        if (guess === number_to_guess) {
            res.json({ message: 'Correct!', attempts: newAttempts });
            await pool.query('DELETE FROM game_sessions WHERE id =
$1', [id]);
        } else {
            res.json({ message: guess < number_to_guess ? 'Too low!' :
'Too high!', attempts: newAttempts });
            await pool.query('UPDATE game_sessions SET attempts = $1
WHERE id = $2', [newAttempts, id]);
        }
    } catch (err) {
        console.error(err);
        res.status(500).send('Server error');
    }
});
```

1.

JavaScript Fixes: In your `script.js`, the URL for the `/guess` endpoint is incorrect. It should not have a colon `:` in the route since you are using a POST request with JSON body.
Update this line in your `script.js`:
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const response = await fetch('/api/guess', {  // Change this line
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```
const response = await fetch('/guess', {  // Correct the URL
```

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Docker Configuration: Make sure that your Docker containers are set up correctly and the `db` service is ready before the `app` service attempts to connect. You can ensure that by using a health check for the database service or by waiting for a bit before the app tries to connect.
Update your `docker-compose.yml` to include health checks (this helps ensure your app waits for the database to be ready):
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db:
  image: postgres:13
  restart: always
  environment:
    POSTGRES_USER: postgres
    POSTGRES_PASSWORD: postgres
    POSTGRES_DB: guess_game_db
  ports:
    - '5432:5432'
  volumes:
    - db_data:/var/lib/postgresql/data
    - ./db/init.sql:/docker-entrypoint-initdb.d/init.sql
  container_name: guess_the_number-db
  healthcheck:
    test: ["CMD-SHELL", "pg_isready -U postgres"]
    interval: 10s
    timeout: 5s
    retries: 5
```

3.

Docker Build & Run: After making these changes, rebuild your Docker containers:
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docker-compose down
docker-compose up --build
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Final Check

- Ensure that your application is correctly connected to the PostgreSQL database.

If you still have issues, check the logs of your application and database with:
bash
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docker-compose logs app
docker-compose logs db
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This should help you get your application running successfully. If you encounter specific error messages during this process, please provide those so we can troubleshoot further!

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You said:
For some reason my localhost:3000 is saying This site can't be reached and is refusing to connect. I have made all the changes.

ChatGPT said:
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If you're seeing the "This site can't be reached" message when trying to access your application on `localhost:3000`, it could be due to several reasons. Let's go through a checklist to diagnose and resolve the issue.

Checklist for Debugging

Check Docker Status: Ensure that Docker is running properly on your machine. You can do this by running the following command:
bash
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docker ps
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1. This should show your running containers. Make sure both the `app` and `db` containers are listed.

Inspect Container Logs: Check the logs for both the application and the database to see if there are any errors:
bash
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docker-compose logs app
docker-compose logs db
```

2. Look for any error messages in the logs that might indicate what went wrong.

Confirm Application is Listening on Port 3000: Inside your `app.js`, ensure that your application is configured to listen on the correct port:
javascript
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const port = process.env.PORT || 3000; // Use PORT from environment variable or default to 3000
```
Then, when you run the app, make sure to check if it is indeed listening on port 3000. You can add a console log to confirm:
javascript
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```
app.listen(port, () => {
    console.log(`Server running at http://localhost:${port}`);
});
```

3.
4. **Network Binding Issues**: If you are running Docker on Windows or macOS using Docker Desktop, ensure that it is configured to expose ports correctly. If you're using Docker Toolbox, you might need to access the application using the IP of the Docker Machine (usually `192.168.99.100` or similar).

Rebuild the Containers: Sometimes, cached layers in Docker can cause issues. Try rebuilding your containers again:
bash
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docker-compose down
docker-compose up --build
```

5.
6. **Check Firewall/Antivirus Settings**: Make sure that no firewall or antivirus software is blocking the connection to port 3000.
7. **Accessing the Correct URL**: Make sure you are trying to access `http://localhost:3000` in your browser. Sometimes, a simple typo can lead to the issue.

Docker Container Health Check: If your database container isn't healthy, your app won't be able to connect. Check the health status:
bash
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docker inspect --format='{{json .State.Health}}' guess_the_number-db
```

8. If it's not healthy, there may be an issue with how the database is set up.

Test Directly in Docker: You can execute a shell in the app container to test if the app is running:
bash
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docker exec -it guess_the_number-app sh
```

9. Once inside, run `curl http://localhost:3000` or `curl http://app:3000` to see if you get a response.

Final Steps

If none of the above steps reveal the issue, consider the following:

- **Simplify Your Setup**: Temporarily remove Docker and run your application directly on your machine to ensure the code is functioning correctly.
- **Check Node.js and PostgreSQL Versions**: Ensure compatibility with your dependencies.
- **Review Configuration**: Double-check your configuration files for any typos or misconfigurations.

After going through this checklist, if you're still having issues, please share any error messages from the logs or additional context, and we can further troubleshoot the problem!

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You said:
Where do I put this line const port = process.env.PORT || 3000; // Use PORT from environment variable or default to 3000

ChatGPT said:
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You should place the line `const port = process.env.PORT || 3000;` near the beginning of your `app.js` file, right after you create the Express app instance. This way, you define the port that your application will listen on, using the `PORT` environment variable if it exists, or defaulting to `3000` if it doesn't.

Here's how your `app.js` file should look with that line added:

javascript
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```
// app.js
const express = require('express');
const { Pool } = require('pg');
const path = require('path');

const app = express();
const port = process.env.PORT || 3000; // Use PORT from environment
variable or default to 3000

app.use(express.json());
app.use(express.static('public'));  // Serve static files like
index.html, style.css, etc.

const pool = new Pool({
  user: 'yourusername',           // Ensure you replace this with your
actual DB username
  host: 'db',                     // This should match the service
name in your docker-compose
  database: 'guess_game_db',      // Make sure this matches the DB you
created
  password: 'yourpassword',       // Ensure you replace this with your
actual DB password
  port: 5432,
});

// Start a new game
app.post('/start', async (req, res) => {
  const result = await pool.query('INSERT INTO game_sessions
(number_to_guess) VALUES (FLOOR(RANDOM() * 100 + 1)) RETURNING *');
  res.json(result.rows[0]);
});

// Make a guess
app.post('/guess', async (req, res) => {
  const { id, guess } = req.body;
```

```
  try {
    const gameResult = await pool.query('SELECT number_to_guess,
attempts FROM game_sessions WHERE id = $1', [id]);
    if (gameResult.rowCount === 0) {
      return res.status(404).send('Game not found');
    }
    const { number_to_guess, attempts } = gameResult.rows[0];
    const newAttempts = attempts + 1;

    if (guess === number_to_guess) {
      res.json({ message: 'Correct!', attempts: newAttempts });
      await pool.query('DELETE FROM game_sessions WHERE id = $1',
[id]);
    } else {
      res.json({ message: guess < number_to_guess ? 'Too low!' : 'Too
high!', attempts: newAttempts });
      await pool.query('UPDATE game_sessions SET attempts = $1 WHERE
id = $2', [newAttempts, id]);
    }
  } catch (err) {
    console.error(err);
    res.status(500).send('Server error');
  }
});

// Start the server
app.listen(port, () => {
  console.log(`Server running at http://localhost:${port}`);
});
```

Summary of Changes

- **Defining the Port**: The line defining the port is placed after the creation of the Express app instance and before starting the server.
- **Listening on the Port**: The `app.listen(port, ...)` function uses this defined port.

Rebuild and Test

After making this change, rebuild your Docker containers with:

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docker-compose down
docker-compose up --build
```

Then, check if you can access your application at `http://localhost:3000`. If you're still experiencing issues, review the logs with:

bash
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```
docker-compose logs app
docker-compose logs db
```

Let me know if you need any more help!

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You said:
Ok that ended up fixing that but now I'm having a couple of website itself issues. Currently my button to start a new game isn't doing anything.

ChatGPT said:
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If the button to start a new game isn't working, there are a few areas we can check in your code to ensure everything is set up correctly. Below are common troubleshooting steps and corrections to address potential issues with your "Start New Game" button.

Troubleshooting Steps

Check Button and Form IDs: Ensure that your button and form IDs in your HTML match those referenced in your JavaScript. If you have an HTML file (e.g., `index.html`), make sure the button to start a new game has the correct ID:
html
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```
<button id="startGame">Start New Game</button>
<form id="guessForm" style="display:none;">
    <input type="number" id="guessInput" placeholder="Enter your
guess">
    <button type="submit">Submit Guess</button>
</form>
```

1. Ensure the `id` attributes match exactly with those in your JavaScript.

Check Event Listener in JavaScript: Make sure that your JavaScript code correctly attaches the event listener to the button and that the function is defined properly. Here's a snippet of how it should look in `public/script.js`:
javascript
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```
document.getElementById('startGame').addEventListener('click',
startNewGame); // This should correctly reference the button ID
```

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3. **Inspect the Network Request**: Open your browser's developer tools (usually F12 or right-click and select "Inspect"), and navigate to the "Network" tab. Then, click the "Start New Game" button to see if a request is made to the server. Look for a request to `/start`. If you don't see any requests, there might be a JavaScript error preventing the function from executing.
4. **Check for JavaScript Errors**: In the same developer tools, navigate to the "Console" tab to check for any JavaScript errors that may be occurring. Errors here can prevent your script from running properly.

Ensure Correct Fetch URL: Verify that the URL used in the `fetch` request matches the server route:
javascript
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```
async function startNewGame() {
    const response = await fetch('/start'); // Ensure this matches
your route in app.js
    const game = await response.json();
    gameId = game.id;
    alert('New game started! Guess a number between 1 and 100.');
    document.getElementById('guessForm').style.display = 'block';  //
Show the guess form
}
```

5. If you have defined the route as `/start` in `app.js`, this is correct.

Check the Response: If the `fetch` request is being sent but no game is starting, check if the server responds correctly. Update the `startNewGame` function to log the response:
javascript
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```
async function startNewGame() {
    const response = await fetch('/start');
```

```
    if (!response.ok) {
        console.error('Failed to start game:', response.statusText);
        return; // Exit if the response is not OK
    }
    const game = await response.json();
    gameId = game.id;
    alert('New game started! Guess a number between 1 and 100.');
    document.getElementById('guessForm').style.display = 'block';  //
Show the guess form
}
```

6. This will log any errors related to the response.

Summary

Here's a quick checklist to ensure everything is in place:

- **HTML Elements**: Ensure the button and form elements exist with the correct IDs.
- **Event Listeners**: Verify that the JavaScript attaches the event listeners correctly.
- **Network Requests**: Check the network tab in your developer tools for the request to `/start`.
- **Console Errors**: Look for any errors in the console that could prevent your JavaScript from running.
- **Response Handling**: Log the response and handle any errors from the fetch request.

After checking all of these aspects, if the issue persists, feel free to share any error messages you see in the console or details about what happens when you click the button!

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You said:
Ok doing inspect on the server the problem appears to happen when I click the start new game button.

ChatGPT said:
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Since the problem occurs when you click the "Start New Game" button, it's likely related to the JavaScript function that's triggered when the button is clicked or the server-side route that processes the request. Let's systematically debug this.

Steps to Debug the Button Click Issue

1. **Check JavaScript Errors**: When you inspect the server logs or browser console, what specific error message appears when you click the button? This information is crucial in diagnosing the issue.
   Common errors might include:
   - **`Uncaught ReferenceError`**: This could indicate a typo or missing function.
   - **`TypeError`**: This might occur if you're trying to interact with a DOM element that doesn't exist or if the `fetch` request fails.

Review JavaScript Code: Let's ensure the `startNewGame` function and event listener are set up correctly. Here's how your `public/script.js` should look:
javascript
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```
let gameId;

async function startNewGame() {
    try {
        const response = await fetch('/start');  // Sends a POST
request to /start
        if (!response.ok) {
            throw new Error(`Error: ${response.statusText}`); // If
the response is not OK
        }
        const game = await response.json();  // Parse the JSON
response
        gameId = game.id;  // Store the game ID for future use
        alert('New game started! Guess a number between 1 and 100.');
        document.getElementById('guessForm').style.display = 'block';
// Show the guess form
    } catch (error) {
        console.error('Failed to start a new game:', error);  // Log
any errors
    }
}

// Attach event listeners to the button and form
document.getElementById('startGame').addEventListener('click',
startNewGame);
document.getElementById('guessForm').addEventListener('submit',
submitGuess);
```

```
async function submitGuess(event) {
    event.preventDefault();  // Prevent form submission
    const guess =
parseInt(document.getElementById('guessInput').value);
    try {
        const response = await fetch('/guess', {
            method: 'POST',
            headers: {
                'Content-Type': 'application/json'
            },
            body: JSON.stringify({ id: gameId, guess })
        });
        const result = await response.json();
        alert(result.message);
    } catch (error) {
        console.error('Error submitting guess:', error);
    }
}
```

2.

Check the HTML: Ensure that the IDs used in the JavaScript match the IDs in the HTML. Here's a basic example of how your HTML should look:

html

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```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">
<head>
    <meta charset="UTF-8">
    <meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width,
initial-scale=1.0">
    <title>Guess the Number</title>
</head>
<body>
    <button id="startGame">Start New Game</button>
    <form id="guessForm" style="display:none;">
        <input type="number" id="guessInput" placeholder="Enter your
guess" required>
        <button type="submit">Submit Guess</button>
    </form>
```

```
    <script src="/script.js"></script>
</body>
</html>
```

3.

Verify Server Route (`/start`): Ensure that your `app.js` has the correct route to handle the request from the `startNewGame` function:
javascript
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```
// app.js
app.post('/start', async (req, res) => {
    try {
        const result = await pool.query('INSERT INTO game_sessions (number_to_guess) VALUES (FLOOR(RANDOM() * 100 + 1)) RETURNING *');
        res.json(result.rows[0]);  // Return the game session details, including game ID
    } catch (err) {
        console.error('Error starting a new game:', err);
        res.status(500).json({ message: 'Failed to start a new game' });
    }
});
```

4.

5. **Check Network Requests**: In the "Network" tab of your browser's developer tools, look for the request to `/start` when you click the button. You should see a request being made. Click on the request to inspect:
    - **Response**: Check if the response status is `200` (OK) or if there's an error (e.g., `500`, `404`).
    - **Error Handling**: If there is an error in the network response, check your server logs to see if there's an issue with the `/start` route.

Check Server Logs: After clicking the button, check the server logs using:
bash
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```
docker-compose logs app
```

6. Look for any errors related to the `/start` route or PostgreSQL connection issues.

Possible Fixes Based on Common Issues

- **JavaScript not running**: If there's a `Uncaught ReferenceError` or similar in the browser console, double-check that `script.js` is correctly linked in your HTML and the button's `id` is properly referenced.
- **No network request**: If clicking the button doesn't send a request to the server, ensure the `startNewGame` function is correctly attached to the button's click event using `document.getElementById('startGame').addEventListener`.
- **500 or 404 error in network request**: If you see a `500` or `404` error in the network request, it indicates a server issue. Check your route in `app.js` or the PostgreSQL connection.

Database error: If your `/start` route can't insert a new game, there might be an issue with the PostgreSQL setup. Check the logs from the `db` service with:
bash
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docker-compose logs db
```

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Conclusion

- **Inspect Console/Network Errors**: Look at the browser console and network requests for more information.
- **Check Code Consistency**: Ensure that the button's `id`, event listener, and fetch request are correctly configured.
- **Check Server Logs**: Investigate the server logs for errors, especially if there's a `500` response from the `/start` route.

Let me know if you find any specific error messages or behaviors during these steps so we can narrow down the issue further!