

# Task 8: Website Availability Checker

1. Create your list of websites:

```
nano sites.txt
```

```
https://google.com
```

```
https://openai.com
```

```
https://nonexistentsite.example
```

2. Create the script:

```
nano check_sites.sh
```

```
#!/bin/bash
```

```
LOG_FILE="site_status.log"
```

```
DATE=$(date)
```

```
echo "Website check started at: $DATE" > $LOG_FILE
```

```
while read -r SITE; do
```

```
if curl -Is --max-time 5 "$SITE" | grep "200 OK" > /dev/null; then
```

```
echo "$SITE is UP" >> $LOG_FILE
```

```
else
```

```
echo "$SITE is DOWN or UNREACHABLE" >> $LOG_FILE
```

```
fi
```

```
done < sites.txt
```

```
echo "Check complete at: $(date)" >> $LOG_FILE
```

3. Run it:

```
chmod +x check_sites.sh
```

```
./check_sites.sh
```

```
cat site_status.log
```

```
hari@kali: ~  
studentuser@kali: ~  
studentuser@kali: /home/hari  
hari@kali: ~  
hari@kali: ~  
hari@kali: ~  
hari@kali: ~  
  
hari@kali: ~  
$ nano sites.txt  
  
hari@kali: ~  
$ nano check_sites.sh  
  
hari@kali: ~  
$ chmod +x check_sites.sh  
  
hari@kali: ~  
$ ./check_sites.sh  
  
hari@kali: ~  
$ cat site_status.log  
Website check started at: Mon Jul 28 12:03:47 AM EDT 2025  
https://google.com is DOWN or UNREACHABLE  
https://openai.com is DOWN or UNREACHABLE  
https://nonexistentsite.example is DOWN or UNREACHABLE  
Check complete at: Mon Jul 28 12:03:48 AM EDT 2025  
  
hari@kali: ~  
$ curl -I https://example.com  
HTTP/2 200  
content-type: text/html  
etag: "84238dfc8092e5d9c0dac8ef93371a07:1736799080.121134"  
last-modified: Mon, 13 Jan 2025 20:11:20 GMT  
cache-control: max-age=2007  
date: Mon, 28 Jul 2025 04:11:47 GMT  
alt-svc: h3=":443"; ma=93600, h3-29=":443"; ma=93600  
  
hari@kali: ~  
$
```

**Conclusion:** Task 8 focused on checking website availability by reading URLs from `sites.txt` and using `curl` or `ping` to test connectivity. The results were logged to `site_status.log`, helping automate uptime checks for multiple websites.