GitHub Setup Sheet

This worksheet will help you to set up your very first GitHub account, clone your first repository, and deploy your template website!

Please raise your hand if you're struggling 😊

Making an Account

- 1. Go to github.com (or search for GitHub on Google)
- 2. Click on "Sign Up" on the top.



Follow the instructions to make your account. Remember to make your username memorable! e.g. the first half of your school email

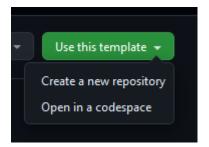
Once you've confirmed your account via email, follow any further instructions that appear on the GitHub website.

Creating a Template

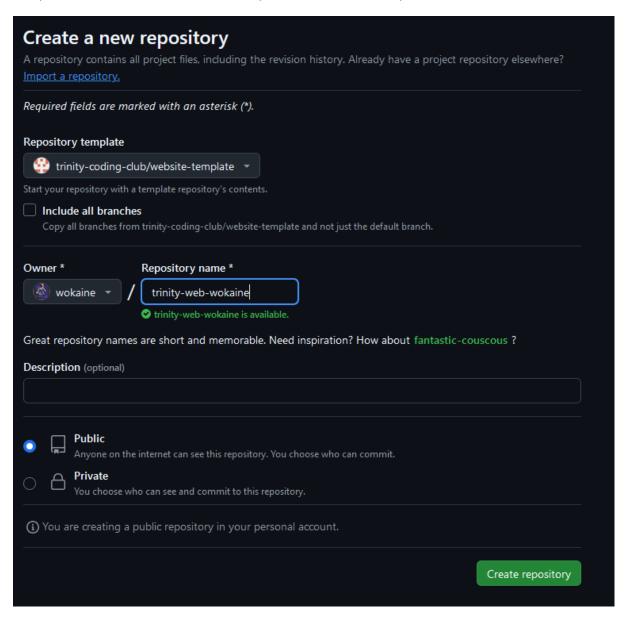
1. Navigate to github.com/trinity-academy/website-template



2. Click on "Use this template", then "Create a new repository"

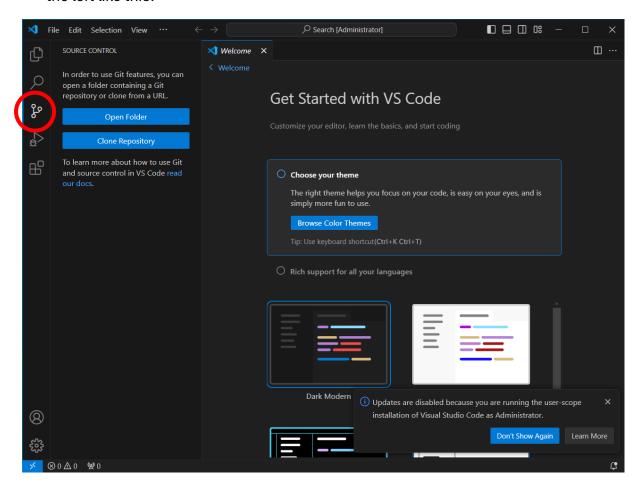


3. Fill in the details as shown, but the repository name and description are up to you! (And of course the owner will be your account as well).

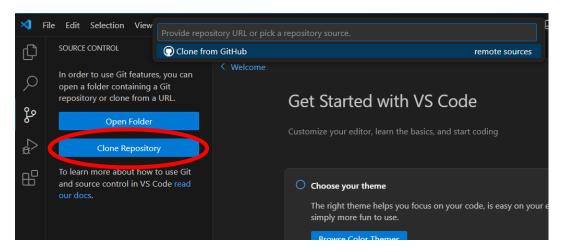


Cloning the Repository

- 1. Open up VSCode on your computer.
- 2. Click on the icon pointed out below, and you should see the "Source Control" tab on the left like this:



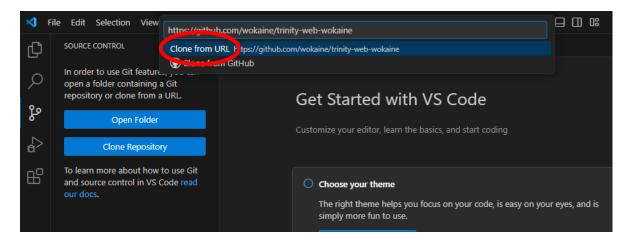
3. Click on "Clone Repository".



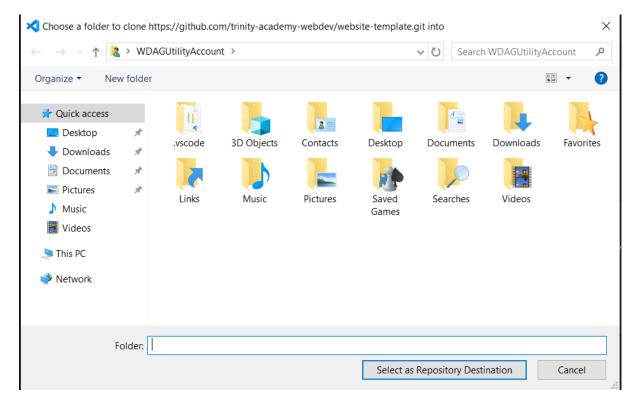
4. Where it says "Provide repository URL or pick a repository source", put this link in: <a href="https://github.com/<your_github_username_here">https://github.com/<your_github_username_here/<your_repo_name_here,git

Be sure to replace <your_github_username_here> with your GitHub username, and <your_repo_name_here> with the name you gave to your repository!

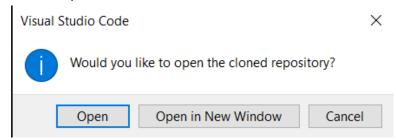
5. Click on "Clone from URL"



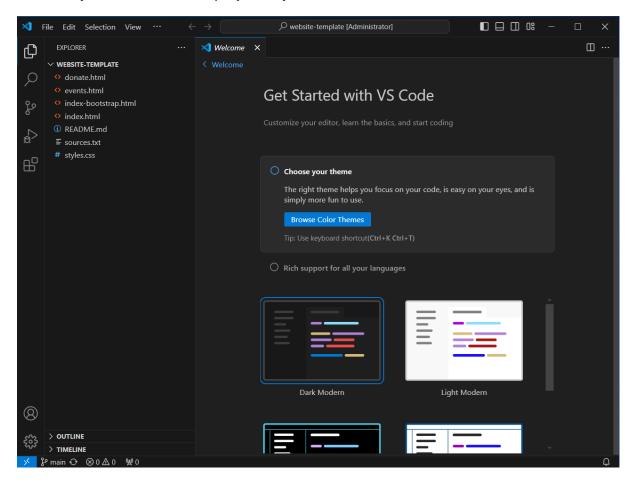
6. Select a suitable folder to put your cloned repository in. Make sure it is on your personal school drive though!



7. Press "Open"



And now you have the whole project in your VSCode window!



Deploying the Website to GitHub Pages

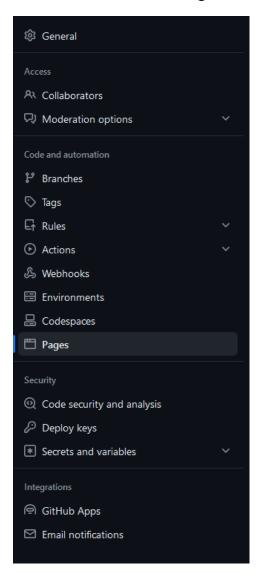
1. Navigate to your repository site

(https://github.com/<your_github_username_here>/<your_repo_name_here>.git)

2. Click on "Settings"

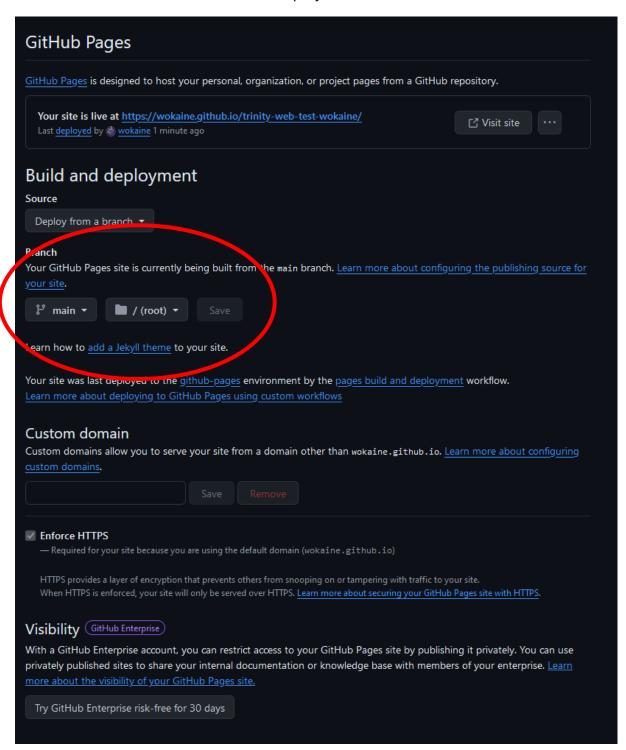


3. On the left, click on "Pages"



4. Under the "Branch" heading, click on the box saying "None" and change the branch to "main", as shown below, then click "Save".

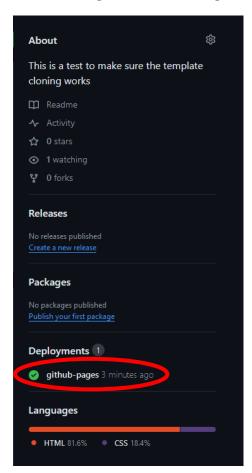
It should take around 2 minutes to deploy.



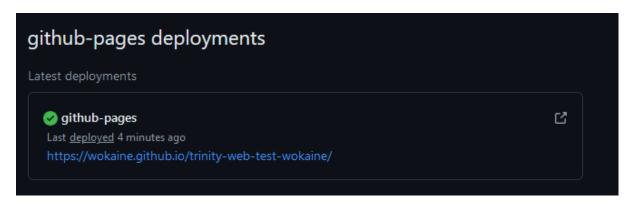
5. Click on "Code".



6. On the right, click on the "github-pages" deployment.



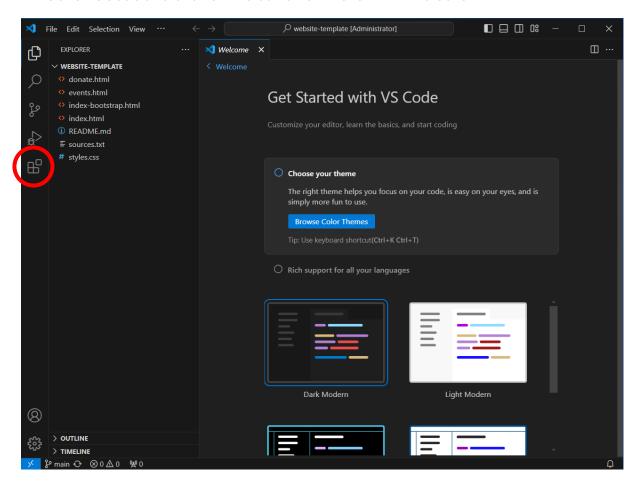
7. Click on the https link to visit your website!



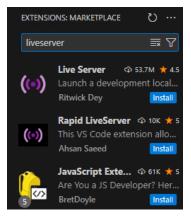
Installing the "Live Server" Extension

To make development a little bit easier, we will be downloading an **extension** called "LiveServer". This will allow us to see our changes to our website automatically.

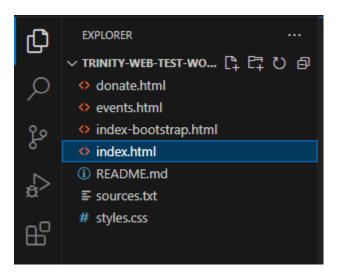
1. Go to VSCode and click on the button on the left with 4 blocks.



2. Search for "Live Server" and install the top one.



3. Then, open your homepage file (index.html).



Look to the bottom right of your screen, LiveServer has added the "Go Live" button to our VSCode!



Press "Go Live" and your website should be live! Any changes you make to your HTML or CSS should appear instantly!

What's the difference between Live Server and deploying the website with GitHub Pages?

- By deploying the website with GitHub pages, you're making the website available for anyone to access on the internet.
- Live Server allows you to preview your website on a browser on your own computer. It automatically updates the preview as you code.
- You need to commit and push your changes for the deployed website to be updated.