

Exercise 0: Setting Up Your PRISM Project

Time: 10 minutes

Goal: Initialize your workspace and create your first PRISM project.

What You'll Learn

By the end of this exercise, you will:

- Launch the PRISM Studio application
- Understand the Project Management interface
- Create a new project folder structure
- Set up your active workspace

Launching PRISM

Windows Users

1. Locate the **Prism.exe** file in your workshop folder.
2. Double-click to launch it.
3. A terminal window will open—keep this open! It runs the backend server.
4. Your default web browser should open automatically to **<http://localhost:5001>**.

Manual Launch (if browser doesn't open)

1. Open your web browser (Chrome or Edge recommended).
 2. Go to: **<http://localhost:5001>**
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Your Task: Create a Project

Before we can convert or validate data, we need a “Project” where everything will be stored.

Step 1: Go to Projects

1. In the sidebar or top navigation, click on “**Projects**”.
2. Alternatively, go directly to: **<http://localhost:5001/projects>**

Step 2: Initialize a New Project

1. Look for the “**Create New Project**” section.
2. **Project Name:** Enter `My_Psychology_Study`.
3. **Location:** Choose a folder on your computer where you want to store your data (e.g., your Desktop or a dedicated `workshop_results` folder).
4. Click “**Create & Activate**”.

Step 3: Verify Your Workspace

1. Notice the “**Active Project**” label at the top of the screen. It should now show `My_Psychology_Study`.
 2. PRISM now knows where to save all your conversions and exports!
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Next Steps: Now that your project is ready, let's bring in some data!

Ready for Exercise 1? → Go to `../exercise_1_raw_data/`