

## Building images

### Getting setup

\$ docker pull ubuntu:latest

```
cd@DESKTOP-VCNQ3D1:~$ docker pull ubuntu:latest
latest: Pulling from library/ubuntu
4d32b49e2995: Pull complete
Digest: sha256:bea6d19168bbfd6af8d77c2cc3c572114eb5d113e6f422573c93cb605a0e2ffb
Status: Downloaded newer image for ubuntu:latest
docker.io/library/ubuntu:latest
cd@DESKTOP-VCNQ3D1:~$
```

\$ docker images

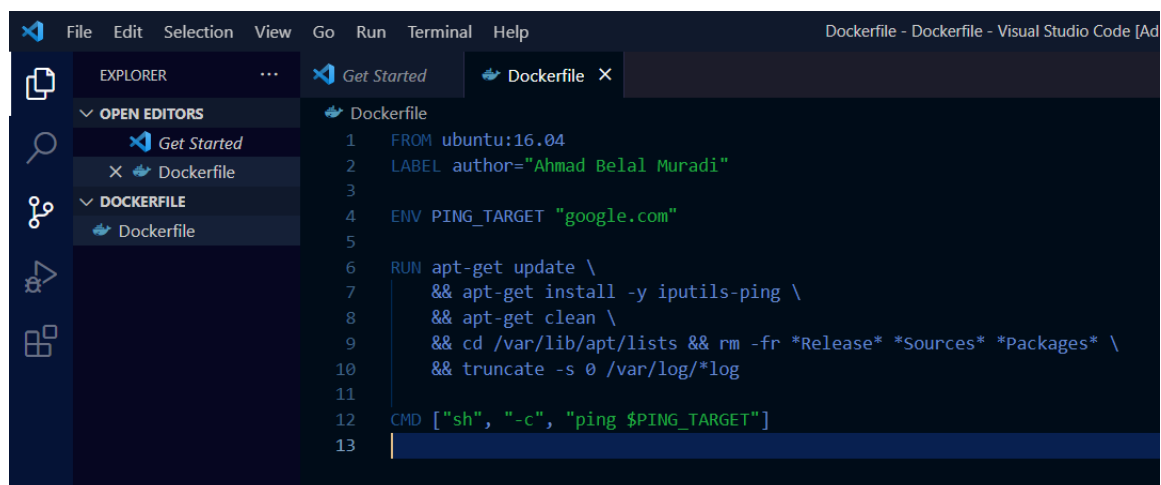
```
cd@DESKTOP-VCNQ3D1:~$ docker images
REPOSITORY      TAG          IMAGE ID      CREATED        SIZE
delner/ping     latest      9869cc630d91  37 minutes ago 170MB
ubuntu          latest      ff0fea8310f3  8 days ago    72.8MB
ubuntu          16.04      b6f507652425  6 months ago  135MB
ubuntu          16.10      7d3f705d307c  4 years ago   107MB
cd@DESKTOP-VCNQ3D1:~$
```

## Creating a Dockerfile

1. Create a new file named Dockerfile in your working directory:

```
cd@DESKTOP-VCNQ3D1:~$ touch dockerfile
cd@DESKTOP-VCNQ3D1:~$
```

2. Open Dockerfile with your favorite text editor.



3. Inside the file, we'll need to add some important headers.

```
FROM ubuntu:16.04  
LABEL author="David Elner"
```

4. Then we'll need to add some commands to modify the image.

```
RUN apt-get update
```

```
RUN apt-get install -y iputils-ping
```

## Building the Dockerfile

1. Let's build our image

```
$ docker build -t 'delner/ping' .
```

## Optimizing the Dockerfile

```
RUN apt-get clean \
```

## Other Dockerfile directives

2. **COPY:** Copy files from your host into the Docker image.
3. **WORKDIR:** Specify a default directory to execute commands from.
4. **CMD:** Specify a default command to run.
5. **ENV:** Specify a default environment variable.
6. **EXPOSE:** Expose a port by default.
7. **ARG:** Specify a build-time argument (for more configurable, advanced builds.)