**Step 1: Create a .log file and log folder**

In your Git repository folder (GitDemo):

# Create a sample log file

echo "This is a log file" > error.log

# Create a folder named log and add a sample file

mkdir log

echo "Folder log file" > log/test.log

**Step 2: Create/Edit .gitignore**

If you don’t have a .gitignore file yet, create it:

touch .gitignore

Open it in Notepad++:

notepad++ .gitignore

*(If Notepad++ integration still doesn’t work, you can use nano: nano .gitignore)*

**Create .gitignore in your repo’s root folder**  
In Git Bash:

nano .gitignore

*(or notepad++ .gitignore if your Notepad++ integration works)*

**Add these lines to it**:

\*.log

log/

**Save and close the editor**

* In nano: CTRL+O → Enter → CTRL+X
* In Notepad++: Save → Close

**Stage it**:

git add .gitignore

**Verify it’s staged**:

git status

You should now see:

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Changes to be committed:

new file: .gitignore

 **Commit & push**:

git commit -m "Add .gitignore to ignore .log files and log folder"

git push origin master

