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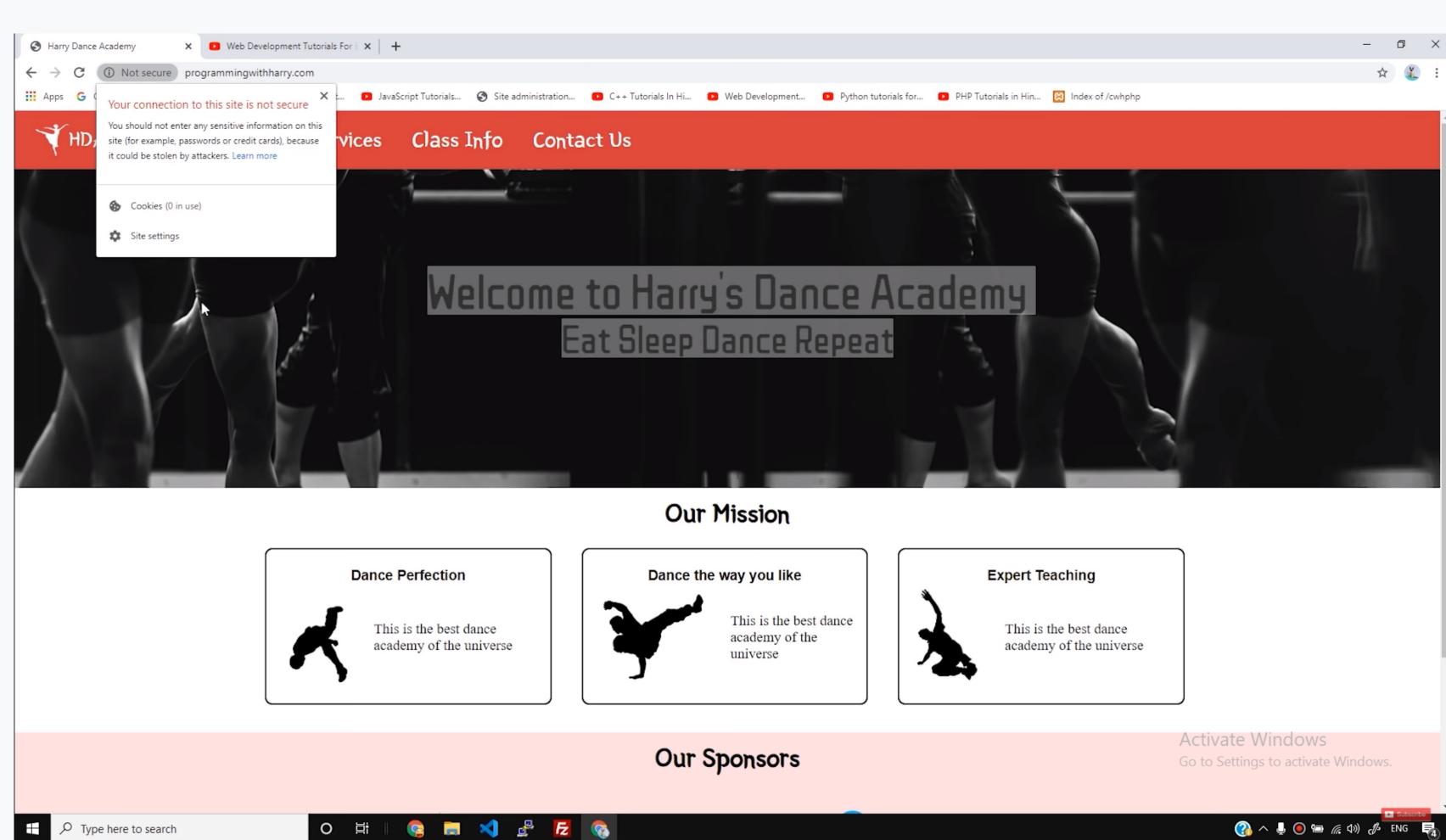
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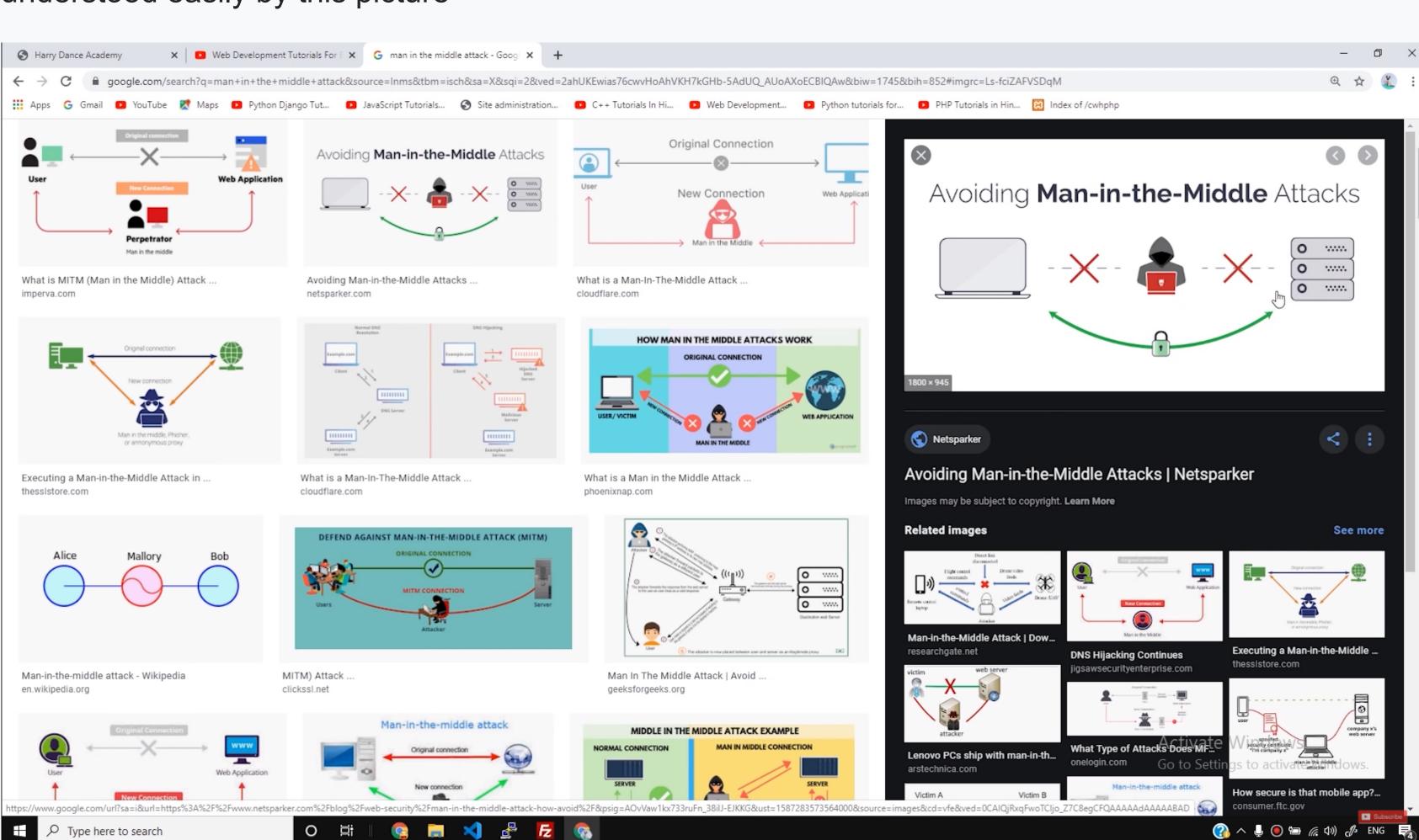
In the last tutorial, we have seen how to host our dance website we created on programmingwithharry.com domain. In this tutorial, we will see how to install a SSL certificate on our website to make it more secure for the visitors.

SSL certificates are what enable websites to move from HTTP to HTTPS, which is more secure. An SSL certificate is a data file hosted in a website's origin server. SSL certificates make SSL/TLS encryption possible, and they contain the website's public key and the website's identity, along with related information.

If we initially view our website, we get the message as not secure as shown here-



With installing SSL, we get saved by a man in the middle attack. Man in the middle attack can be understood easily by this picture-



So let us now see how to install this SSL certificate on our website. For installing the SSL certificate, we simply need to follow the guide here.

First we need to add the repository by writing the following command-

sudo add-apt-repository ppa:certbot/certbot

following command-

• To automatically update this certificate 90 days on our domain, we need to install Certbot with the

sudo apt install python-certbot-apache

• To check if the configuration of our apache server is good or not, we need to run the following command-

sudo apache2ctl configtest

The next step is to check the status of our firewall with the following command-

sudo ufw status

 Then we need to allow the the firewall status with the following commandsudo ufw allow 'Apache Full'

sudo ufw delete allow 'Apache'

 Then we need to enter our domain name to get obtain the SSL certificate as followssudo certbot --apache -d your_domain -d www.your_domain

Then we need to enter the email address. After a few seconds our SSL certificate will get installed on

the domain. Now if we visit our domain, we get the output as follows-

