STEPS TO DEPLOY IN AZURE

Step 1: Create an Azure App Service

- 1. Log in to Azure Portal
- 2. Click Create a resource > Web App

Fill in the required fields:

- Name: onlinelibrarySystem
- Publish: Code
- Runtime stack: .NET 8 (or your project version)
- Region: Choose the nearest region
- 3. Click Next > Monitoring (skip) > Review + Create
- 4. Click Create

Step 2: Create Azure SQL Database

- 1. Go to Azure Portal > Create a resource > SQL Database
- 2. Set:
 - o **Database name:** OnlineLibrarySystemDB
 - Server: Create new (set admin username/password)
- 3. Select **Basic pricing tier** (from options available)
- 4. Click Review + Create > Create
 - → After creation, go to the SQL server settings > Firewalls and allow your IP and "Allow Azure services to connect".

Step 3: Get Connection String

- 1. In the Azure SQL resource > Go to Connection Strings
- 2. Copy the ASP.NET connection string

Step 4: Update appsettings.json

→ Replace your local connection string with the Azure one in appsettings.json

Step 5: Publish from Visual Studio

- 1. Right-click your project > **Publish**
- 2. Choose **Azure App Service (Windows)** > Select existing resource
- 3. Click Publish

Done! Test the App

- Open your Azure App URL, e.g., https://onlinelibrarySystem.azurewebsites.net
- Register a new user, and test book features
- Confirm the data is stored in Azure SQL