

## Creating a .gitignore

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### **Description** [Edit](#)

This is a two step process fortunately. First you create a .gitignore file. Then you copy paste the text this file generates for you! Once you have this working once, you may copy the .gitignore into any new project. Sadly .gitignore does NOT work retroactively, meaning if you have already committed files, .gitignore won't work.

### **Setting up the Repo**

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- ☐ 1) Go to a project you have not uploaded, go git init, but do not continue on in the process, don't add or commit quite yet.
- ☐ 2) To create the file, in git bash type in "touch .gitignore"
- ☐ 3) In preparation for the next step, open the file in a text editor like notepad. It should be empty.

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### **Filling in the Git Ignore**

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- ☐ 1) Go to this site <https://www.gitignore.io/>
- ☐ 2) Type in the 3 following things: your IDE, your Language, and the operating systems you AND your groupmates are using
- ☐ 3) copy and paste the text it generates into your .gitignore file
- ☐ 4) Once done, add, commit, and push as you would normally. Done correctly .gitignore will ignore the mountain of settings files made by Visual Studio.

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### **Activity**

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