

Creating a .gitignore

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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.

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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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- ☐ 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, and commit, if you're working on an empty project you're done!

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- ☐ 5) If you're working on a project that existed before the git ignore, we have a few more steps, git knows to ignore the settings files BUT won't ignore them if they were already added to the repo
- ☐ 6) Cut and paste the following folders onto your desktop: bin, obj, and vs

- ☐ 7) go to bash and do a git add and git commit
- ☐ 8) Now cut and paste those folders back into their original spots
- ☐ 9) Do a git status, if done correctly, bash won't show any of those settings files
- ☐ 10) Do a git push to your remote repo, go to github and check your most recent commit, these steps worked if vs, bin, and obj are all missing off the repo

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