Q. **What is GitHub? When was it created? Why? By who? What similar platforms exist? Why would you use such a platform?**

Githib is a web based GIT repository hosting service which offers features like SCM, distributed revision control, access control, bug tracking and wikis for every repository. GIT is a distributed revision control system developed by Linus Torvalds for kernel development of Linux in 2005 to support non-linear distributed workflow and a version control system. It is free and used to host personal, enterprise and opensource projects. It is licensed under GNU GPL2.

Other platforms include GITLAB, SVN, Bitbucket etc. The purpose of using a vcs is to keep track of code and issues. Differences between versions and different development stages.