

# Creating a Full-Stack App with Docker

## Challenge 3 – Full-stack application

**Basic principle:** This is a project that needs to run nginx, node service, db at the same time, you can use docker-compose inside Challenge 2, this time with more environment configuration files, define the database, database username and password, when creating the image will use the username and password defined in the environment variables to write the image, when the container is running, it will use the defined username and password to log in.

## Steps

In the root folder, .env file

```
challenge3 > .env
1  # Database configuration
2  MYSQL_ROOT_PASSWORD=my_root_password
3  MYSQL_DATABASE=my_app_db
4  MYSQL_USER=my_app_user
5  MYSQL_PASSWORD=my_password
```

And create docker-compose.yml:

```

1  version: '3.8'
2
3  services:
4    node-service:
5      build:
6        context: .
7        dockerfile: docker/api/Dockerfile
8      environment:
9        DB_HOST: db
10       DB_USERNAME: ${MYSQL_USER}
11       DB_PASSWORD: ${MYSQL_PASSWORD}
12       DB_DATABASE: ${MYSQL_DATABASE}
13       DB_ROOT_PASSWORD: ${MYSQL_ROOT_PASSWORD}
14      depends_on:
15        - db
16
17     db:
18       build:
19         context: .
20         dockerfile: docker/db/Dockerfile
21       environment:
22         MARIADB_ROOT_PASSWORD: ${MYSQL_ROOT_PASSWORD}
23         MARIADB_DATABASE: ${MYSQL_DATABASE}
24         MARIADB_USER: ${MYSQL_USER}
25         MARIADB_PASSWORD: ${MYSQL_PASSWORD}
26         MARIADB_DB_HOST: db
27
28     volumes:
29       - db_data:/var/lib/mysql
30
31     nginx:
32       build:
33         context: ./docker/nginx
34         dockerfile: Dockerfile
35       ports:
36         - "8080:80"
37       depends_on:
38         - node-service
39
40     volumes:
41       db_data:

```

According to the latest documentation, the “MARIADB\_ prefix” will be used instead of “MYSQL\_” to pass the environment variables correctly.

Then the first time you can use:

```
docker-compose up --build
```

to create all the defined images and run the corresponding containers.

```
P5 D:\Home\Desktop\docker-challenge2\challenge3> docker-compose up --build
2024/04/22 22:35:58 httpd: server: error reading preface from client //./pipe/docker_engine: file has already been closed
[+] Building 0.5s (2/2)                                                                                                     docker:default
=> [db internal] load build definition from Dockerfile                                                                    0.0s
[+] Building 1.0s (9/9)                                                                                                   docker:default
=> CACHED [db 2/2] COPY docker/db/init/init.sql /docker-entrypoint-initdb.d                                         0.0s
[+] Building 1.2s (25/25) FINISHED                                                                                    docker:default
=> [db internal] load build definition from Dockerfile                                                                0.0s
=> => transferring dockerfile: 108B                                                                                  0.0s
=> [db internal] load metadata for docker.io/library/mariadb:latest                                                    0.5s
=> [db internal] load .dockerignore                                                                                    0.0s
=> => transferring context: 2B                                                                                        0.0s
=> [db internal] load build context                                                                                    0.0s
=> => transferring context: 957B                                                                                     0.0s
=> [db 1/2] FROM docker.io/library/mariadb:latest@sha256:78d0c3b8c39b47e91cc32df64fe26f797b54b1dd762c850e7350095ed4715f 0.0s
=> CACHED [db 2/2] COPY docker/db/init/init.sql /docker-entrypoint-initdb.d                                       0.0s
=> [db] exporting to image                                                                                            0.0s
=> => exporting layers                                                                                                0.0s
=> => writing image sha256:aaddbf0f38ac2cab4ba93fc027378845dd926d61b1081c65b7dc323dde793640a                       0.0s
=> => naming to docker.io/library/challenge3-db                                                                      0.0s
=> [node-service internal] load build definition from Dockerfile                                                     0.0s
=> => transferring dockerfile: 471B                                                                                    0.0s
=> [node-service internal] load metadata for docker.io/library/node:alpine                                           0.4s
=> [node-service internal] load .dockerignore                                                                        0.0s
=> => transferring context: 2B                                                                                        0.0s
=> [node-service 1/5] FROM docker.io/library/node:alpine@sha256:6d0f18a1c67dc218c4af50c21256616286a53c09e500fadf025bd342ec90 0.0s
=> [node-service internal] load build context                                                                          0.0s
=> => transferring context: 4.31kB                                          0.0s
=> CACHED [node-service 2/5] WORKDIR /app                                                                            0.0s
=> CACHED [node-service 3/5] COPY docker/api/package*.json ./                                                        0.0s
=> CACHED [node-service 4/5] RUN npm install                                                                         0.0s
=> CACHED [node-service 5/5] COPY docker/api/* .                                                                     0.0s
=> [node-service] exporting to image                                                                                0.0s
=> => exporting layers                                                                                                0.0s
=> => writing image sha256:3ca979ec5f8a1382e8b39ab767224d5448db00d62514e01d8f885e0cd87b26a                      0.0s
=> => naming to docker.io/library/challenge3-node-service                                                            0.0s
=> [nginx internal] load build definition from Dockerfile                                                             0.0s
=> => transferring dockerfile: 132B                                                                                    0.0s
=> [nginx internal] load metadata for docker.io/library/nginx:latest                                                  0.0s
=> [nginx internal] load .dockerignore                                                                                0.0s
=> => transferring context: 2B                                                                                        0.0s
=> [nginx 1/3] FROM docker.io/library/nginx:latest                                                                  0.0s
=> [nginx internal] load build context                                                                              0.0s
=> => transferring context: 31B                                                                                        0.0s
=> CACHED [nginx 2/3] RUN rm /etc/nginx/conf.d/default.conf                                                         0.0s
=> CACHED [nginx 3/3] COPY nginx.conf /etc/nginx/conf.d/default.conf                                               0.0s
=> [nginx] exporting to image                                                                                        0.0s
=> => exporting layers                                                                                                0.0s
=> => writing image sha256:dd5c8acf51f55603a02d3017a56caafa8b8fb5bf069ba20c2a8d4ab901849d0                        0.0s
=> => naming to docker.io/library/challenge3-nginx                                                                    0.0s
[+] Running 3/3
✔ Container challenge3-db-1          Recreated                               0.0s
✔ Container challenge3-node-service-1 Recreated                             0.0s
✔ Container challenge3-nginx-1      Recreated                               0.0s
```

Later you can use:

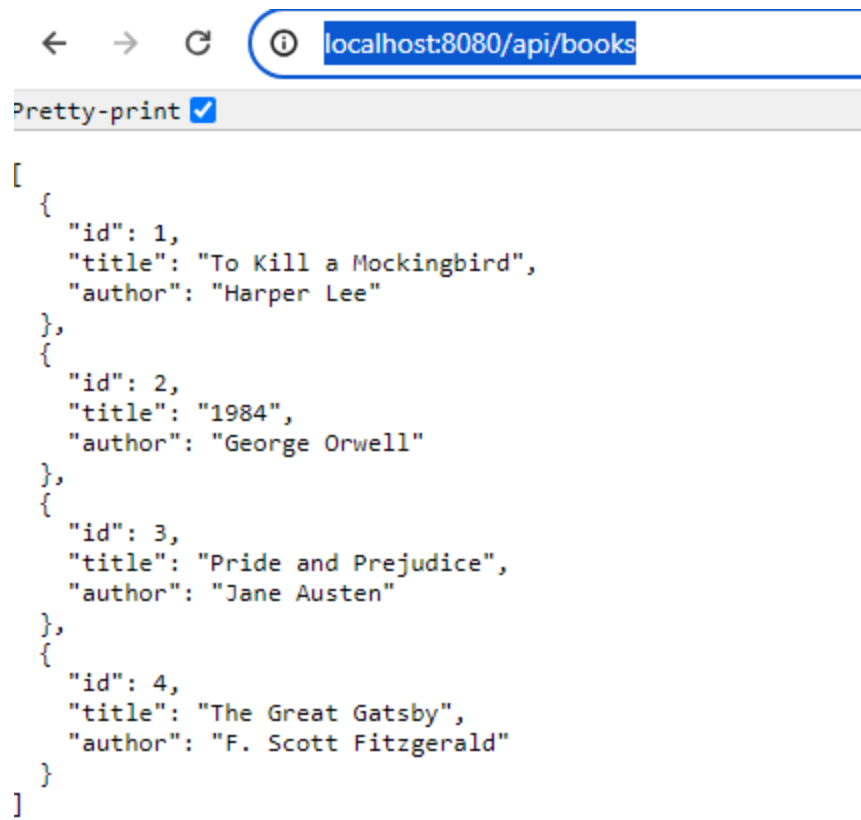
docker-compose up / down

to start and stop the relevant containers defined in `docker-compose.yml`.

```
PS D:\Home\Desktop\docker-challenge2\challenge3> docker-compose down
[+] Running 4/4
✔ Container challenge3-nginx-1      Removed      0.4s
✔ Container challenge3-node-service-1 Removed      10.3s
✔ Container challenge3-db-1         Removed      0.5s
✔ Network challenge3_default        Removed      0.2s
```

The API is running:

<http://localhost:8080/api/books/>

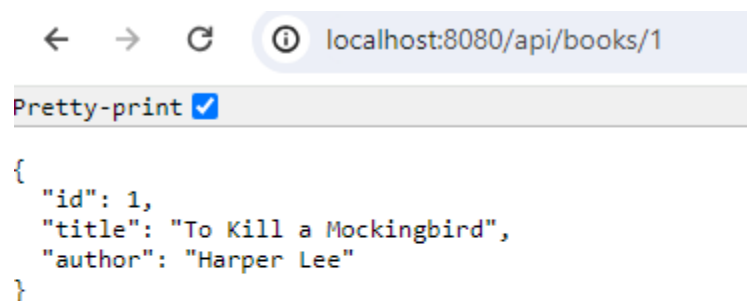


← → ↻ ⓘ localhost:8080/api/books

Pretty-print ☒

```
[
  {
    "id": 1,
    "title": "To Kill a Mockingbird",
    "author": "Harper Lee"
  },
  {
    "id": 2,
    "title": "1984",
    "author": "George Orwell"
  },
  {
    "id": 3,
    "title": "Pride and Prejudice",
    "author": "Jane Austen"
  },
  {
    "id": 4,
    "title": "The Great Gatsby",
    "author": "F. Scott Fitzgerald"
  }
]
```

http://localhost:8080/api/books/1



← → ↻ ⓘ localhost:8080/api/books/1

Pretty-print ☒

```
{
  "id": 1,
  "title": "To Kill a Mockingbird",
  "author": "Harper Lee"
}
```

## docker-compose ps

```
PS D:\Home\Desktop\docker-challenge2\challenge3> docker-compose ps
NAME                                IMAGE                COMMAND              SERVICE    CREATED        STATUS        PORTS
challenge3-db-1                    challenge3-db        "docker-entrypoint.s..." db         7 seconds ago Up 6 seconds 3306/tcp
challenge3-nginx-1                 challenge3-nginx     "/docker-entrypoint. ..." nginx      7 seconds ago Up 6 seconds 0.0.0.0:8080->80/tcp
challenge3-node-service-1          challenge3-node-service "docker-entrypoint.s..." node-service 7 seconds ago Up 6 seconds 3000/tcp
PS D:\Home\Desktop\docker-challenge2\challenge3> |
```

## Challenge 4 – Scaling up an application

## Goals

- Scale up the node-service to have 3 running instances.
- Understand the benefits of having multiple instances, such as increased availability and load distribution.

## Steps

## Modify the Docker Compose Configuration

Everything is the same except that at the end of the node-service configuration:

```
deploy: replicas: 3
```

replicas: 3 # This tells Docker Compose to start 3 instances of node-service

```

4   node-service:
5     build:
6       context: .
7       dockerfile: docker/api/Dockerfile
8     environment:
9       DB_HOST: db
10      DB_USERNAME: ${MYSQL_USER}
11      DB_PASSWORD: ${MYSQL_PASSWORD}
12      DB_DATABASE: ${MYSQL_DATABASE}
13      DB_ROOT_PASSWORD: ${MYSQL_ROOT_PASSWORD}
14     depends_on:
15       - db
16     deploy:
17       replicas: 3 # This tells Docker Compose to start 3 instances of node-service

```

And then the same thing

```
docker-compose up --build
```

[illegible]

When the container starts running, we see that 3 node-services have been started

```
[+] Running 7/71enge4 default          Created          0.05s
✓ Network challenge4 default          Created          0.05s
✓ Volume "challenge4_db_data"         Created          0.05s
✓ Container challenge4-db-1           Created          0.05s
✓ Container challenge4-node-service-3 Created          0.15s
✓ Container challenge4-node-service-1 Created          0.05s
✓ Container challenge4-node-service-2 Created          0.05s
✓ Container challenge4-nginx-1        Created          0.05s
Attaching to db-1, nginx-1, node-service-1, node-service-2, node-service-3
db-1      | 2024-04-23 05:10:52+00:00 [Note] [Entrypoint]: Entrypoint script for MariaDB Server 1:11.3.2+maria-ubu2204 started.
node-service-3 | Server running on port 3000
node-service-1 | Server running on port 3000
db-1      | 2024-04-23 05:10:53+00:00 [Note] [Entrypoint]: Initializing database files
node-service-2 | Server running on port 3000
```

Not surprisingly when we test the `http://localhost:8080/api/stats` :



The first screenshot shows the response for the first request:

```
{ "status": "success", "contents": { "MemFree": 767180, "MemAvailable": 13563376, "pid": 1, "hostname": "4cf1aa443ba2", "counter": 0 } }
```

The second screenshot shows the response for the second request:

```
{ "status": "success", "contents": { "MemFree": 816128, "MemAvailable": 13613452, "pid": 1, "hostname": "a163c51cfbb2", "counter": 0 } }
```

The third screenshot shows the response for the third request:

```
{ "status": "success", "contents": { "MemFree": 797232, "MemAvailable": 13594564, "pid": 1, "hostname": "8834116c4195", "counter": 0 } }
```

we will see a different hostname, and in the docker logs we will see a different node-service responding with.

```

node-service-3 | {
node-service-3 |   status: 'success',
node-service-3 |   contents: { MemFree: 796324, MemAvailable: 13587564 },
node-service-3 |   pid: 1,
node-service-3 |   hostname: 'a163c51cfbb2',
node-service-3 |   counter: 0
node-service-3 | }
nginx-1 | 172.30.0.1 - - [23/Apr/2024:05:11:17 +0000] "GET /api/stats HTTP/1.1" 200 120 "-"
Gecko) Chrome/124.0.0.0 Safari/537.36" "-"
node-service-2 | {
node-service-2 |   status: 'success',
node-service-2 |   contents: { MemFree: 796324, MemAvailable: 13587564 },
node-service-2 |   pid: 1,
node-service-2 |   hostname: '4cf1aa443ba2',
node-service-2 |   counter: 0
node-service-2 | }
nginx-1 | 172.30.0.1 - - [23/Apr/2024:05:11:19 +0000] "GET /api/stats HTTP/1.1" 200 120 "-"
Gecko) Chrome/124.0.0.0 Safari/537.36" "-"
node-service-1 | {
node-service-1 |   status: 'success',
node-service-1 |   contents: { MemFree: 795848, MemAvailable: 13587088 },
node-service-1 |   pid: 1,
node-service-1 |   hostname: '8834116c4195',
node-service-1 |   counter: 0
node-service-1 | }
nginx-1 | 172.30.0.1 - - [23/Apr/2024:05:11:21 +0000] "GET /api/stats HTTP/1.1" 200 120 "-"

```

At the same time

```
docker-compose ps
```

will also see the 3 node-services running:

```

PS D:\Home\Desktop\docker-challenge2\challenge4> docker-compose ps
NAME                                IMAGE                                COMMAND                                SERVICE    CREATED        STATUS        PORTS
challenge4-db-1                    challenge4-db                        "docker-entrypoint.s..."          db         7 minutes ago Up 7 minutes  3306/tcp
challenge4-nginx-1                 challenge4-nginx                    "/docker-entrypoint..."          nginx      7 minutes ago Up 7 minutes  0.0.0.0:8080->80/tcp
challenge4-node-service-1          challenge4-node-service             "docker-entrypoint.s..."          node-service 7 minutes ago Up 7 minutes  3000/tcp
challenge4-node-service-2          challenge4-node-service             "docker-entrypoint.s..."          node-service 7 minutes ago Up 7 minutes  3000/tcp
challenge4-node-service-3          challenge4-node-service             "docker-entrypoint.s..."          node-service 7 minutes ago Up 7 minutes  3000/tcp

```

Thanks for learning another new thing!