**Create a Repository on GitHub**

1. **Log in to GitHub:**
   * Go to GitHub and log in with your credentials.
2. **Create a New Repository:**
   * Click on the **+** icon in the top-right corner of the GitHub page and select **New repository**.
3. **Fill in Repository Details:**
   * **Repository name:** Enter a name for your repository (e.g., practice-repo).
   * **Description (optional):** Enter a description for your repository.
   * **Public/Private:** Choose whether the repository should be public or private.
   * **Initialize this repository with a README:** Check this box to automatically create a README.md file.
4. **Create Repository:**
   * Click the **Create repository** button.

**Edit the README.md File Directly on GitHub**

1. **Navigate to Your Repository:**
   * After creating the repository, you will be redirected to the repository page.
   * If you are not already there, navigate to the repository page by clicking on your profile icon, selecting **Your repositories**, and then clicking on the newly created repository.
2. **Open the README.md File:**
   * On the repository main page, you should see the README.md file listed.
   * Click on the README.md file to open it.
3. **Edit the README.md File:**
   * Click on the pencil icon (✏️) at the top right of the README.md file to enter the edit mode.
4. **Make Your Changes:**
   * Edit the README.md file content as needed. For example, you can add a line:

This is a practice change made directly on GitHub.

1. **Commit Your Changes:**
   * Scroll down to the **Commit changes** section.
   * **Commit message:** Enter a commit message describing your changes (e.g., "Updated README.md with practice change").
   * **Commit directly to the main branch:** Ensure this option is selected for simplicity.
   * Click the **Commit changes** button.

**Verify Your Changes**

1. **Return to Repository Main Page:**
   * Click on the repository name at the top of the page to return to the main page of the repository.
2. **View the README.md File:**
   * Verify that your changes have been applied to the README.md file.