What is GitHub?

A web-based Git repository hosting service. It offers the version control and source code management functionality of Git along with its own features.

When was it created?

The development of the platform began on October 1st, 2007, and was launched in April 2008.

Why?

To create a platform where developers can socially interact and work on projects simultaneously and securely.

By who?

Github was created by Tom Preston-Werner, Chris Wanstrath, and PJ Hyett.

What similar platforms exist?

Gitlab, Bitbucket, SourceForge, CVS etc.

Why would you use such a platform?

To be able to keep track of different versions of source code and share them with others for group projects.

* Repository- A directory where Git has been initialized to start version controlling your files.
* Commit - Saving the state of a project.
* Push - Uploading changes of a project to a repository.
* Branch- A movable pointer to a commit.
* Merge- Can merge changes from one branch to another.
* Clone- Copies an existing Git repository.
* Pull - Brings changes from a remote repository into your master branch.
* Pull request- A means of submitting change to another code base. Requests permission to add or change code in an existing project.

I forked the README.md file, edited the file by including my name and the date, and created a pull request for my change of that file to the courses directory.

> git init

Initialized empty Git repository in /.git/

Success!

$ git status

# On branch master  
#  
# Initial commit  
#  
nothing to commit (create/copy files and use "git add" to track)

$ git status

# On branch master  
#  
# Initial commit  
#  
# Untracked files:  
# (use "git add <file>..." to include in what will be committed)  
#  
# octocat.txt  
nothing added to commit but untracked files present (use "git add" to track)

Success!

$ git add octocat.txt

Nice job, you've added octocat.txt to the Staging Area

$ git status

# On branch master  
#  
# Initial commit  
#  
# Changes to be committed:  
# (use "git rm --cached <file>..." to unstage)  
#  
# new file: octocat.txt  
#

Success!

$ git commit -m "Add cute octocat story"

[master (root-commit) 20b5ccd] Add cute octocat story  
1 file changed, 1 insertion(+)  
create mode 100644 octocat.txt

Success!

$ git add '\*.txt'

Success!

$ git commit -m 'Add all the octocat txt files'

[master 3852b4d] Add all the octocat txt files  
4 files changed, 4 insertions(+)  
create mode 100644 blue\_octocat.txt  
create mode 100644 octofamily/baby\_octocat.txt  
create mode 100644 octofamily/momma\_octocat.txt  
create mode 100644 red\_octocat.txt

Success!

$ git log

commit 3852b4db1634463d0bb4d267edb7b3f9cd02ace1  
Author: Try Git <try\_git@github.com>  
Date: Sat Oct 10 08:30:00 2020 -0500  
  
Add all the octocat txt files  
  
commit b652edfd888cd3d5e7fcb857d0dabc5a0fcb5e28  
Author: Try Git <try\_git@github.com>  
Date: Sat Oct 10 08:30:00 2020 -0500  
  
Added cute octocat story

Success!

$ git remote add origin https://github.com/try-git/try\_git.git

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Success!

$ git push -u origin master

Branch master set up to track remote branch master from origin.

$ git pull origin master

Updating 3852b4d..3e70b0f  
Fast-forward  
yellow\_octocat.txt | 1 +  
1 file changed, 1 insertion(+)  
create mode 100644 yellow\_octocat.txt

Success!

$ git diff HEAD

diff --git a/octocat.txt b/octocat.txt  
index 7d8d808..e725ef6 100644  
--- a/octocat.txt  
+++ b/octocat.txt  
@@ -1 +1 @@  
-A Tale of Two Octocats  
+[mA Tale of Two Octocats and an Octodog

Success!

$ git add octofamily/octodog.txt

Success!

$ git diff --staged

diff --git a/octofamily/octodog.txt b/octofamily/octodog.txt  
new file mode 100644  
index 0000000..cfbc74a  
--- /dev/null  
+++ b/octofamily/octodog.txt  
@@ -0,0 +1 @@  
+[mwoof

Success!

$ git reset octofamily/octodog.txt

Success!

$ git checkout -- octocat.txt

Success!

$ git branch clean\_up

Success!

$ git checkout clean\_up

Switched to branch 'clean\_up'

Success!

$ git rm '\*.txt'

rm 'blue\_octocat.txt'  
rm 'octocat.txt'  
rm 'octofamily/baby\_octocat.txt'  
rm 'octofamily/momma\_octocat.txt'  
rm 'red\_octocat.txt'

Success!

$ git commit -m "Remove all the cats"

[clean\_up 63540fe] Remove all the cats  
5 files changed, 5 deletions(-)  
delete mode 100644 blue\_octocat.txt  
delete mode 100644 octocat.txt  
delete mode 100644 octofamily/baby\_octocat.txt  
delete mode 100644 octofamily/momma\_octocat.txt  
delete mode 100644 red\_octocat.txt

Success!

$ git checkout master

Switched to branch 'master'

Success!

$ git merge clean\_up

Updating 3852b4d..ec6888b  
Fast-forward  
blue\_octocat.txt | 1 -  
octocat.txt | 1 -  
octofamily/baby\_octocat.txt | 1 -  
octofamily/momma\_octocat.txt | 1 -  
red\_octocat.txt | 1 -  
5 files changed, 5 deletions(-)  
delete mode 100644 blue\_octocat.txt  
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delete mode 100644 octofamily/baby\_octocat.txt  
delete mode 100644 octofamily/momma\_octocat.txt  
delete mode 100644 red\_octocat.txt

Success!

$ git branch -d clean\_up

Deleted branch clean\_up (was ec6888b).

Success!

$ git push

To https://github.com/try-git/try\_git.git  
3e70b0f..3c0c921 master -> master

Success!