# Instructions: Microsoft Azure Sample Application

## Prerequisites

- 1. Microsoft Azure Account: If you don't have an Azure account, you can sign up for a free one at <a href="https://azure.microsoft.com/en-us/free/">https://azure.microsoft.com/en-us/free/</a>.
- 2. Node.js: Make sure you have Node.js installed on your computer. If not, download and install it from https://nodejs.org/en/download/.

### Step 1: Create a Node.js Application Locally

- 1. Create a folder for your project and navigate to it in your command prompt or terminal.
- 2. Run the following commands to create a basic Node.js app:

```
npm init -y
npm install express
```

3. Create a file named 'app.js' and add the following code:

```
const express = require('express');
const app = express();
const port = process.env.PORT || 3000;

app.get('/', (req, res) => {
   res.send('Hello Azure!');
});

app.listen(port, () => {
   console.log('Server running on http://localhost:${port}');
});
```

4. Test your app locally by running:

bash
node app.js

Visit 'http://localhost:3000' in your browser to make sure it's working.

### Step 2: Deploy the App to Azure

- 1. Log in to Azure Portal: Visit <a href="https://portal.azure.com">https://portal.azure.com</a> and log in with your credentials.
- 2. Create a Resource Group: Click on "Resource groups" -> "Create" -> fill in the details -> click "Review + create".
- 3. Create a Web App:
  - Click on "Create a resource" -> "Web" -> "Web App".
- Fill in the subscription, resource group, name, operating system (choose Linux), runtime stack (choose Node.js), and region.
  - In the "Dev/Test" tab, select the "F1 Free" pricing tier.
  - Click "Review + create", then "Create".
- 4. Configure Deployment Center:
  - Go to the newly created web app -> "Deployment Center".
  - Choose "Local Git" for the source control -> "Continue".
  - Choose "Node.js" for the build provider -> "Continue".
  - Click "Finish".
- 5. Set up Local Git Deployment:
  - Follow the instructions shown in the Deployment Center to set up Git for your local app.
  - Push your code to Azure with the commands provided.
- 6. Access Your Live Site: Click on the "URL" link in the Overview section of your web app. You should now see your 'Hello Azure!' message.

#### And that's it!

You've successfully deployed a demo Node.js application to Microsoft Azure using free services. Feel free to modify the code in `app.js` to make the app your own, then follow the Git push process again to update it on Azure.