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Adding Files to the Repository

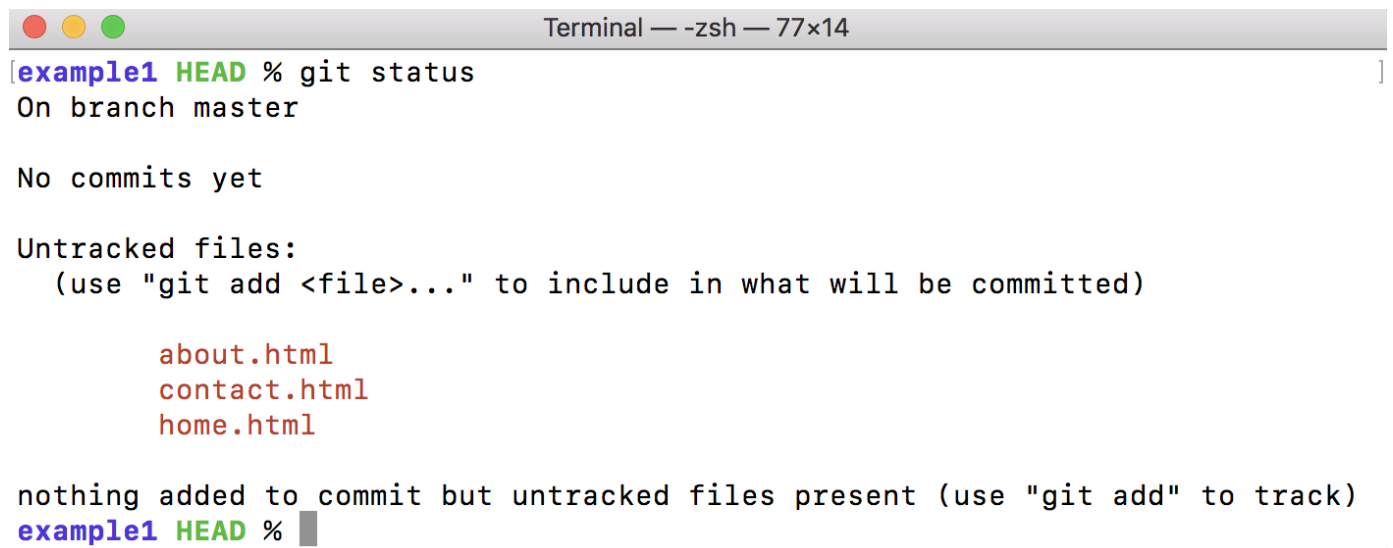
So far, we've:

1. Created a project directory.
2. Created some files for our project.
3. Set up our project as a Git repository.

Time for a new Git command! Type the following in your terminal:

```
git status
```

You should see something like this:



```
Terminal — -zsh — 77x14
[example1 HEAD % git status
On branch master

No commits yet

Untracked files:
  (use "git add <file>..." to include in what will be committed)

    about.html
    contact.html
    home.html

nothing added to commit but untracked files present (use "git add" to track)
[example1 HEAD %
```

Our three files are currently not being tracked by Git, even though they're in our project directory. In order for Git to keep track of any changes we make to these files, we need to explicitly tell it to do so.

Type the following:

```
git add about.html
git status
```



```
On branch master
```

```
No commits yet
```

```
Changes to be committed:
```

```
(use "git rm --cached <file>..." to unstage)
```

```
new file:   about.html
```

```
Untracked files:
```

```
(use "git add <file>..." to include in what will be committed)
```

```
contact.html
```

```
home.html
```

```
example1 HEAD %
```

Git will now start tracking changes you make to `about.html`, but `contact.html` and `home.html` aren't currently tracked. We'll be using `git status` extensively. It helps us keep track of our changes in relation to what Git has saved.

If you want to add all of the files in your project to Git rather than `git add`-ing each file by name, you can type:

```
git add .
git status
```

`.` is the current directory (`example1`), so in essence we're saying, "Add everything in the current directory to Git." After typing `git add .`, you should see:

```
Terminal — -zsh — 65x13
```

```
[example1 HEAD % git status
```

```
On branch master
```

```
No commits yet
```

```
Changes to be committed:
```

```
(use "git rm --cached <file>..." to unstage)
```

```
new file:   about.html
```

```
new file:   contact.html
```

```
new file:   home.html
```

```
example1 HEAD %
```



