**R4Beginners: Getting Started**

2 ways to getting started

1. Positcloud (which is a essentially RStudio on the cloud)
   * Temporary copy
   * Need to save as a permanent copy or changes will not be automatically saved
   * Now you can see your project saved to your workspace
   * Add new lessons and show what happens
     1. R4beginners lessons -> push to github (add lessons 4 and 5)
2. Downloading zip files from GitHub
   * Github icon on homepage
   * Readme has steps
   * Just download zip -> save to desktop -> open R project
3. Very briefly mention: “for those of you who are familiar with github and using R Projects, you can also clone the project”
4. ~~Cloning GitHub Repository to your local computer~~
   * ~~Github icon on homepage~~
   * ~~Clone repo~~
   * ~~Open new Rstudio~~
   * ~~Create new project~~
   * ~~Set up username and email~~
   * ~~Test on Phil’s computer – clone and saves as a new repo to his files? Easy to pull?~~

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|  | Recommended for: | Pros | Cons |
| Use Positcloud | Complete beginners | Can use without having R and RStudio installed  Can get started straight away | Need to set up a (free) Positcloud account  Limited number of projects and hours in the free version (but should be more than enough to go through the lessons)  Work is done on the cloud, so it is not saved to your local computer  May not see latest lessons?? |
| Download zip files | Beginners | Easy to get set up in just a few simple steps  Work directly on your local computer | Must have R and RStudio installed |
| Clone GitHub repository | Some knowledge of R and RStudio | Work directly on your local computer  Easy to get the most recent lessons | Must have R and RStudio installed  Useful to have some understanding of GitHub and R Projects |
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