



# Docker Volumes Practice Session - Lab Reference



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**Environment:** PowerShell on Windows



**Folder:** D:\UNI\sixth\LAB SCD\Lab Exam\docker-volumes-practice-sesh



## Step-by-Step Breakdown



### 1. Created a Working Directory

```
mkdir docker-volumes-practice-sesh  
cd .\docker-volumes-practice-sesh
```



### 2. Created a Docker Volume

```
docker volume create lab10_practice_volume
```

Volume created: lab10\_practice\_volume

Also used volume: `my_nginx_volume` for NGINX testing.



### 3. Ran NGINX Container With a Volume

```
docker run --name running-with-volume --volume my_nginx_volume:/usr/share/nginx/html -d nginx
```

This mounts the volume my\_nginx\_volume into the container's web root:

```
/usr/share/nginx/html
```

#### ✓ 4. Installed `vim` Inside Container

```
apt update  
apt install vim
```

Note: sudo was not available (typical in minimal containers).

#### ✓ 5. Edited the Web Page in Volume

```
cd /usr/share/nginx/html  
vim index.html
```

Edited the content to:

```
<title>I changed this page on my volume!</title>
```

#### ✓ 6. Stopped and Removed the First Container

```
docker stop running-with-volume  
docker rm running-with-volume
```

#### ✓ 7. Verified Volumes Still Exist

```
docker volume list
```

Confirmed that my\_nginx\_volume and lab10\_practice\_volume were still listed.

## ✓ 8. Launched a Second Container Using the Same Volume

```
docker run --name running-with-volume-again -d --volume my_nginx_volume:/usr/share/nginx/html nginx
```





## ✓ 9. Verified Persistence of Changes

```
docker exec -it running-with-volume-again bash
cd /usr/share/nginx/html
cat index.html
```

Output confirmed the edited content was preserved inside the volume:

```
<title>I changed this page on my volume!</title>
```

## ✓ What You Practiced

Task	Description
 Volume Creation	<code>docker volume create</code>
 Mount Volume to Container	<code>--volume name:/path/in/container</code>
 Persistence Test	Verified edits stay across container restarts
 Debugging	Fixed syntax errors ( <code>&amp;&amp;</code> , <code>exec</code> command) and missing tools



## Takeaways

- Docker volumes **persist** even after containers are removed.
  - You can **re-use** volumes across multiple containers.
  - Use `docker exec -it <container> bash` to get a shell inside the container.
  - When editing web content inside a volume, changes are **retained** and **shared** between containers.
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