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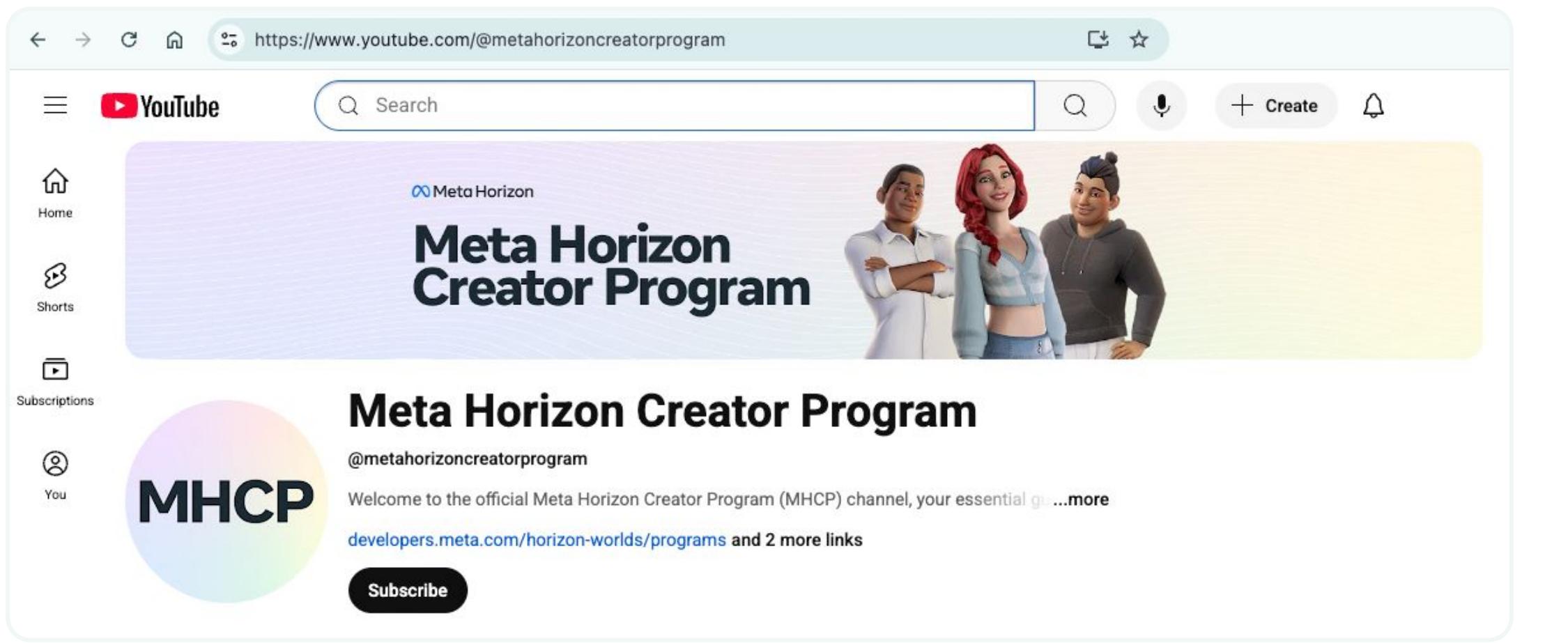
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MHCP YouTube Channel



The screenshot shows the YouTube channel page for 'Meta Horizon Creator Program' (MHCP). The channel banner features three avatars: a man in a white shirt, a woman with red hair in a blue top, and another man in a grey hoodie. The channel name 'Meta Horizon Creator Program' is displayed prominently. Below the banner, there's a large circular profile picture with 'MHCP' in the center. The channel description reads: 'Welcome to the official Meta Horizon Creator Program (MHCP) channel, your essential gu...more' and includes links to 'developers.meta.com/horizon-worlds/programs' and '2 more links'. A 'Subscribe' button is visible at the bottom.

<https://www.youtube.com/@metahorizoncreatorprogram>



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Introduction to GitHub

Creating an Account

- Set up your email, password, and username

Competition Repo

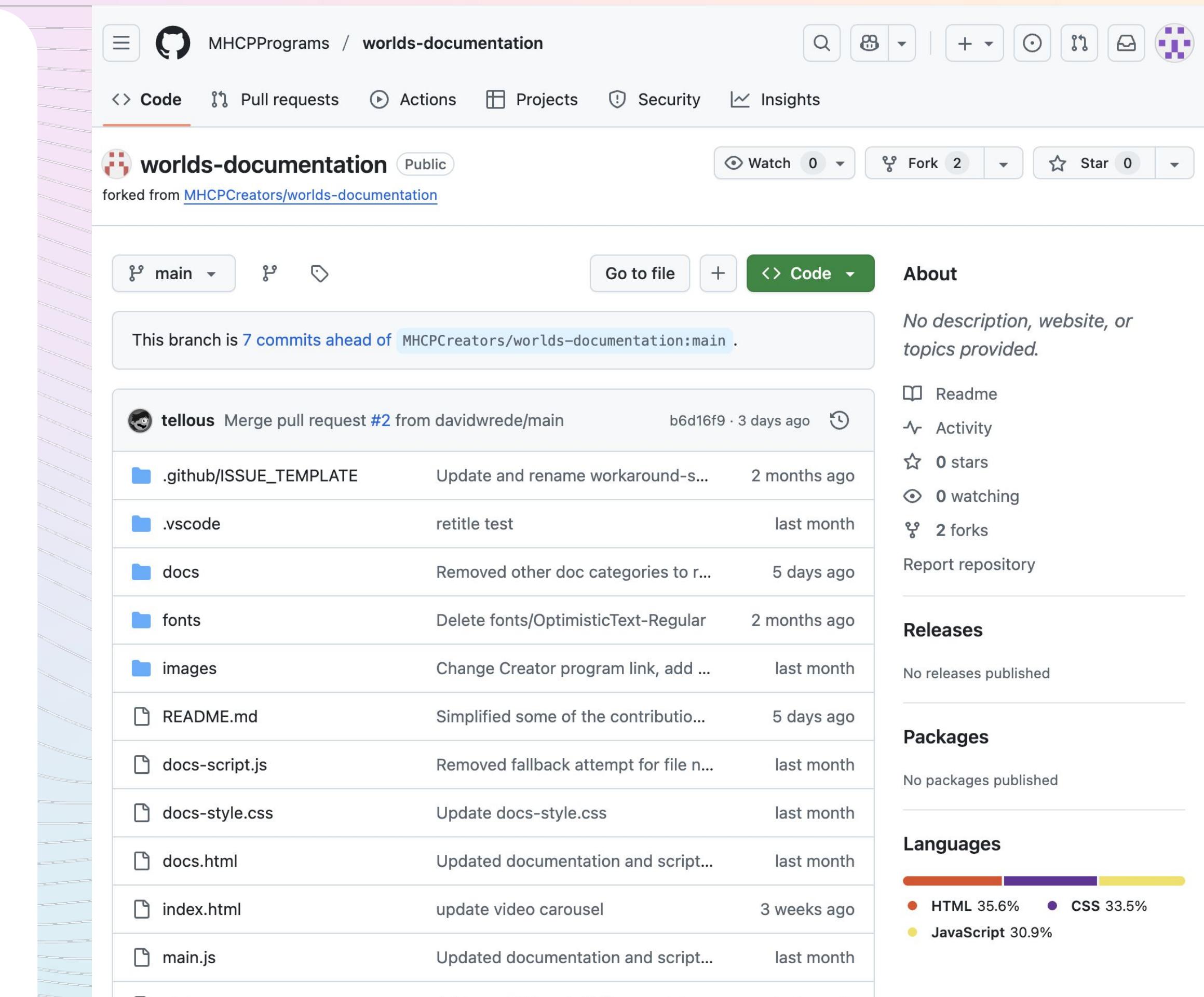
- Where your submissions eventually must go
- <https://github.com/MHCPrograms/worlds-documentation>

Fork Repo

- Your personal workspace to write submission entries
- <https://github.com/<Your-Username>/worlds-documentation>

Create Branch

- A location in your workspace to work on different submission independently



The screenshot shows a GitHub repository page for 'worlds-documentation'. The repository is public and forked from 'MHCPCreators/worlds-documentation'. It has 2 forks and 0 stars. The main branch is 7 commits ahead of the upstream. The commit history shows several changes made by 'tellous', including merging pull requests, updating files like .github/ISSUE_TEMPLATE, .vscode, and README.md, and creating scripts like docs-script.js. The repository also contains fonts, images, and HTML/CSS files. On the right side, there are sections for 'About' (no description, website, or topics provided), 'Readme', 'Activity', 'Stars', 'Watching', 'Forks', 'Report repository', 'Releases' (no releases published), 'Packages' (no packages published), and 'Languages' (HTML 35.6%, CSS 33.5%, JavaScript 30.9%).

Code | **Pull requests** | **Actions** | **Projects** | **Security** | **Insights**

worlds-documentation Public

forked from [MHCPCreators/worlds-documentation](#)

This branch is 7 commits ahead of [MHCPCreators/worlds-documentation:main](#).

Commits

File	Description	Time
.github/ISSUE_TEMPLATE	Update and rename workaround-s...	2 months ago
.vscode	retitle test	last month
docs	Removed other doc categories to r...	5 days ago
fonts	Delete fonts/OptimisticText-Regular	2 months ago
images	Change Creator program link, add ...	last month
README.md	Simplified some of the contributio...	5 days ago
docs-script.js	Removed fallback attempt for file n...	last month
docs-style.css	Update docs-style.css	last month
docs.html	Updated documentation and script...	last month
index.html	update video carousel	3 weeks ago
main.js	Updated documentation and script...	last month
style.css	Add new CSS and JS files. update...	last month

About
No description, website, or topics provided.

Readme

Activity

0 stars

0 watching

2 forks

Report repository

Releases
No releases published

Packages
No packages published

Languages

Language	Percentage
HTML	35.6%
CSS	33.5%
JavaScript	30.9%

Creating Your Account

Your own account on github.com

- Go to <https://github.com/signup>
- Enter an email address, password, and pick an available username
- Your username is how you will be known on GitHub, so choose wisely!

Confirm your email address via code

- Check your spam folder if you don't get the code

Sign in to your new GitHub account

- You can use your username or email, plus your password

Sign up for GitHub

 Continue with Google

or

Email*

mhcpdemo@richardlee.name



Password*

.....



Password should be at least 15 characters OR at least 8 characters including a number and a lowercase letter.

Username*

Shards632MHCPDemo



Username may only contain alphanumeric characters or single hyphens, and cannot begin or end with a hyphen.

Your Country/Region*

United States of America



For compliance reasons, we're required to collect country information to send you occasional updates and announcements.

Email preferences

Receive occasional product updates and announcements

Create account >

Forking

Fork the competition repo

- Do this from the competition repo page
- Just click the Fork button!

Name your fork

- Owner should be your new GitHub username
- Fill out the form using a new repository name (recommend just using same name as competition repo)
- Creates a clone of the `worlds-documentation` repo owned by you!
- Click "Create Fork" when done

The screenshot shows a GitHub repository page for `MHCPrograms / worlds-documentation`. The page includes navigation tabs for Code, Pull requests, Actions, Projects, Security, and Insights. Below the tabs, the repository name `worlds-documentation` is displayed as Public, forked from `MHCPCreators/worlds-documentation`. A prominent yellow arrow points to the `Make A Fork` button in the top right corner of the header. To the right of the button, a callout box says "Fork your own copy of MHCPrograms/worlds-documentation". The main content area shows a message: "This branch is 7 commits ahead of MHCPCreators/worlds-documentation:main". On the right side, there's an "About" section with the note "No description, website, or topics provided." and a "Readme" link.

The screenshot shows the "Create a new fork" form on GitHub. The title is "Create a new fork". It explains that a fork is a copy of a repository and allows experimentation without affecting the original project. It also notes that required fields are marked with an asterisk (*). The form has two main input fields: "Owner *" and "Repository name *". The "Owner" dropdown is set to "Shards632MHCPrograms". The "Repository name" input field contains "worlds-documentation". A yellow arrow points to this input field. Below the input fields, a message says "worlds-documentation is available." with a checkmark icon.

Branching

Create a work branch

- Do this in _your_ repo
- Access the active branches page using the button
- Click "New Branch"
- **STRONGLY** recommend a separate branch for each independent contest submission so that you can work on them in parallel
 - things in the same branch will update the same contest submission PR. If you want them to be separate submissions, you will want them to be separate branches.

Branch Naming

- Choose descriptive names for your branch (for your own use)
 - alphanumeric, with dashes, but no spaces
- For later convenience, switch the Source to the competition repo
MHCPPPrograms/worlds-documentation

The screenshot shows the GitHub interface for the repository `Shards632MHCPDemo / worlds-documentation`. A yellow arrow points to the 'Your Repo' section at the top left. Another yellow arrow points to the 'Branches' button in the main navigation bar. A third yellow arrow points to the 'Choose Name' input field in the 'Create a branch' dialog, which contains the text `github-build-along`. A fourth yellow arrow points to the 'Competition Repo' dropdown in the 'Source' section of the dialog. The dialog also includes fields for 'New branch name' and 'Source'. At the bottom right of the dialog are 'Cancel' and 'Create new branch' buttons, with the latter being green.

Adding New Documents

Switch to your work branch for this contest document submission

- Do this in _your_ repo
- Click on the drop down to choose the branch you want

Navigate to the correct documentation folder

- Click on 'docs'
- Click on the correct folder for you contest submission subcategory
 - lighting-colliders-audio
 - asset-library-import
 - monetization
 - performance
 - npcs
- Click on "Add file" and "Create new file"

Your Repo Shards632MHCPDemo / worlds-documentation

<> Code Pull requests Actions Projects Security Insights Settings

worlds-documentation Public Pin Watch Fork Star

forked from MHCPPPrograms/worlds-documentation

github-build-along Select Work Branch + <> Code

This branch is up to date with MHCPPPrograms/worlds-documentation:main.

Contribute Sync fork

About No description, website, or topics provided.

Readme

github.com/Shards632MHCP... MotD nzb Toggle Track Perplexity Spanish Europe 2025 All Bookmarks

<> Code Pull requests Actions Projects Security Insights Settings

github-build-along worlds-documentation / docs / monetization /

Correct Folder Add New File

davidwrede Added new doc categories for the mini challenge

This branch is up to date with MHCPPPrograms/worlds-documentation:main.

Add file ...

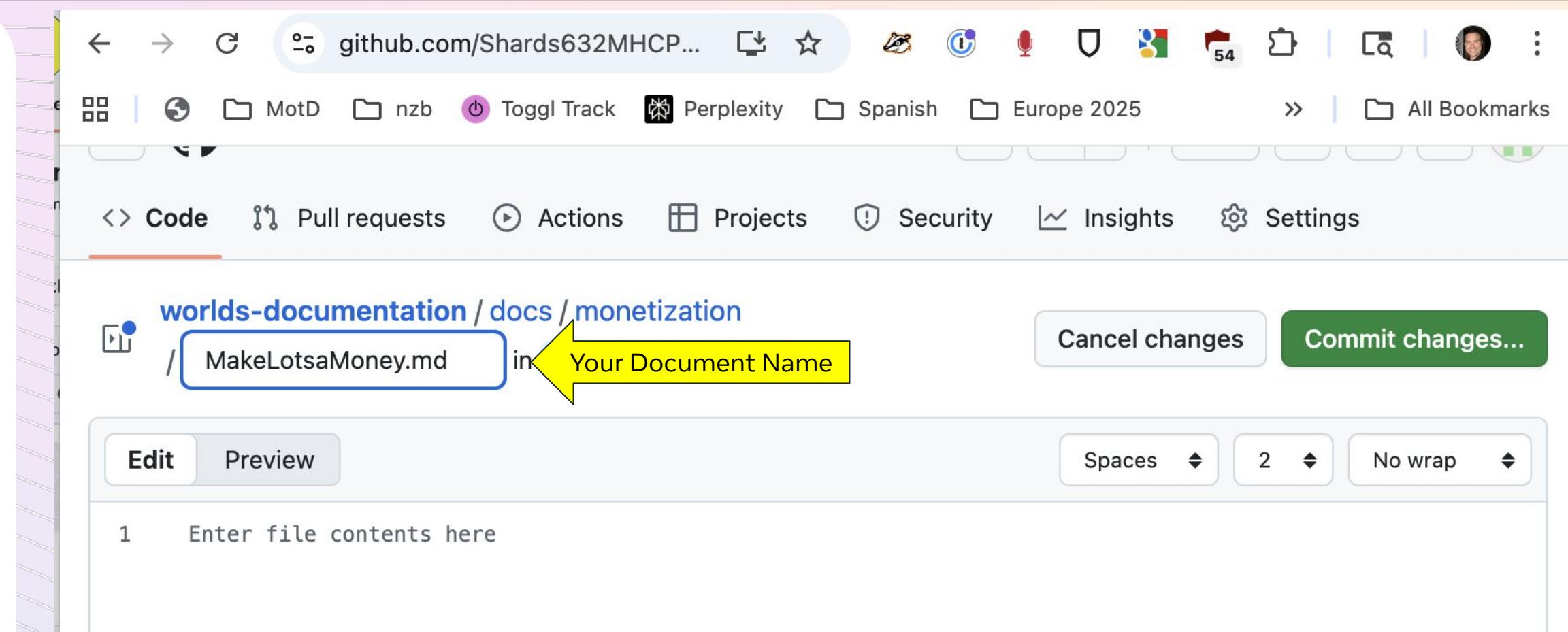
Create new file

Upload files

Contribute Sync fork

Name Your Document

- Enter the name of your document
 - Use alphanumeric characters with NO SPACES
 - It must end in .md for 'markdown'
 - e.g. MakeLotsaMoney.md



Markdown

GitHub uses a simplified system for formatting documents

- Markdown is much simpler to read/write than HTML
- Provides structural description of the document rather than layout
- Markdown formatting is more limited than full HTML
- It is easier to merge changes from different authors in Markdown than in HTML
- There are many online references and previewers
 - GitHub markdown is a particular 'flavor' of Markdown, so be sure you are reading a reference for GitHub markdown
 - GitHub does not provide any 'live preview' while typing, but does provide a "Preview" toggle when editing
 - See References slide for links

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1 # Markdown syntax guide
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3 ## Headers
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5 # This is a Heading h1
6 ## This is a Heading h2
7 ##### This is a Heading h6
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9 ## Emphasis
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11 *This text will be italic*
12 _This will also be italic_
13
14 **This text will be bold**
15 __This will also be bold__
16
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Markdown syntax guide

Headers

This is a Heading h1

This is a Heading h2

This is a Heading h6

Emphasis

This text will be italic

This will also be italic

This text will be bold

This will also be bold

You can combine them

Lists

Unordered

- Item 1
- Item 2
- Item 2a
- Item 2b
 - Item 3a



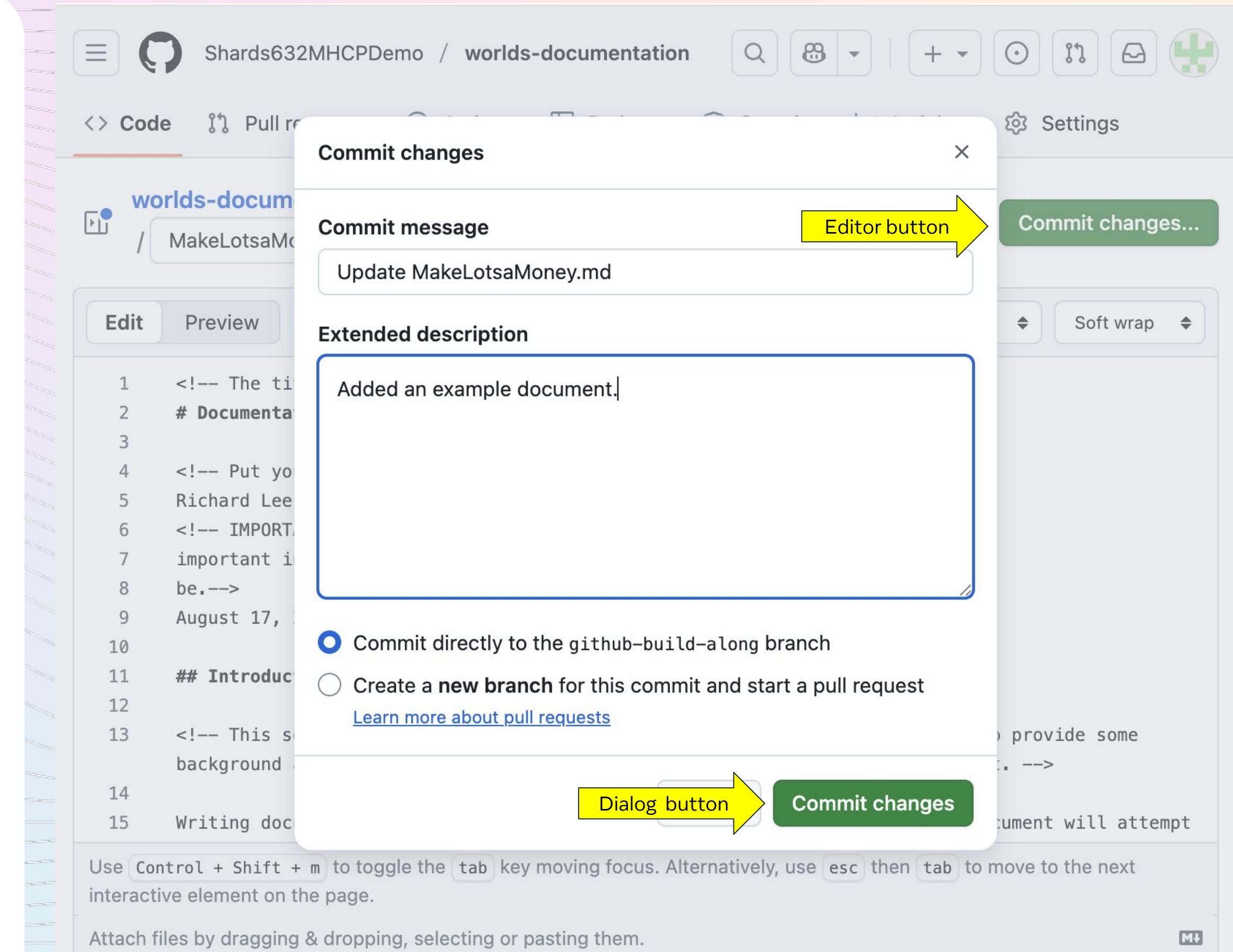
Write and Commit

Use the built-in editor and preview

- Write your document using the built in text editor
- Switch to the Preview view periodically to see how it is rendering

Commit your changes

- Click the "Commit Changes" button on the editor page
- Enter a *short* "Commit message" that gives the gist of your change
- Provide a more detailed "Extended description" that goes into more depth about what you changed
- Click the "Commit changes button in the dialog to save your changes.



Create Pull Request to submit to Competition

Pull Requests will enter your document into the competition

- You are 'requesting' that your changes are 'pulled' into the competition repo
- There are a few ways to initiate a PR
 - "Compare & pull request" button that *may appear soon after you commit your document, but is not always there.*
 - "Contribute" button that will allow you to initiate a PR at any time, but you *must make sure your work branch is selected.*

The screenshot shows a GitHub fork repository named "worlds-document..." (forked from MHCPrograms/worlds-documentation). The repository is public and has 0 stars, 0 forks, and 0 watchers. The main content area displays recent activity from the "github-build-along" branch, which has 4 recent pushes. A yellow arrow points to the "Work Branch Selected" dropdown menu, which is currently set to "github-build-along". Another yellow arrow points to the "Create a PR" button located below the "Open pull request" button. To the right of the repository details, there are sections for "About", "Create a PR", "No description, website, or topics provided.", "Readme", "Activity", "0 stars", "0 watching", and "0 forks". Below these are sections for "Releases" (no releases published) and "Packages" (no packages published), both with "Create a new release" and "Publish your first package" links. The bottom section is titled "Languages".

About
Create a PR
No description, website, or topics provided.

Readme

Activity

0 stars

0 watching

0 forks

Releases
No releases published
[Create a new release](#)

Packages
No packages published
[Publish your first package](#)

Languages

worlds-document... Public Pin Watch 0 Fork 0 Star 0

forked from [MHCPrograms/worlds-documentation](#)

github-build-along had recent pushes 4 minutes ago

Compare & pull request

github-build-along + Code

This branch is 2 commits ahead of MHCPrograms/worlds-documentation:main .

Contribute Sync fork

This branch is 2 commits ahead of MHCPrograms/worlds-documentation:main

Open a pull request to contribute your changes upstream.

40ac72c · 7 minutes ago and rename ... 2 months ago

est last month

MakeLotsAM... 7 minutes ago

onts/Optimist... 2 months ago

Creator prog... last month

README.md Simplified some of th... 5 days ago

Open pull request Create a PR

Submit Pull Request

Ensure Proper Targets

- Make sure the destination of the pull request (left side of the arrow) is MHCPrograms/worlds-documentation
- Make sure that the source (right side of the arrow) is your repo and work branch

Ensure proper PR title

- For the competition, make sure that the **category** of your submission is the prefix of the title,
- Add a more detailed description for your documentation that describes what its about, who it's for, etc. Things that you might want the judges to know that isn't obvious from the document.
 - if this is an update to an existing document, what changed?

Create Pull Request

- Make sure to click the "Create Pull Request" button to submit your entry.

The screenshot shows the GitHub interface for creating a pull request. At the top, the repository 'MHCPrograms / worlds-documentation' is selected. The 'Code' tab is active. Below it, the 'Comparing changes' section allows choosing two branches: 'base repository: MHCPrograms/worlds-docu...' (set to 'main'), 'head repository: Shards632MHCPDemo/world...' (set to 'compare: github-build-along'), and a 'compare' branch ('github-build-along'). A yellow arrow points to the 'Category!' field in the 'Add a title' section, which contains the value 'monetization: GitHub build along'. Another yellow arrow points to the 'base' and 'head' repository dropdowns, with the text 'Make sure these are correct!' above them. The 'Add a description' section contains the text: 'This is a sample document being provided for the MHCP build along session. It is not a real competition entry.' The interface includes standard GitHub UI elements like search, issues, and insights.

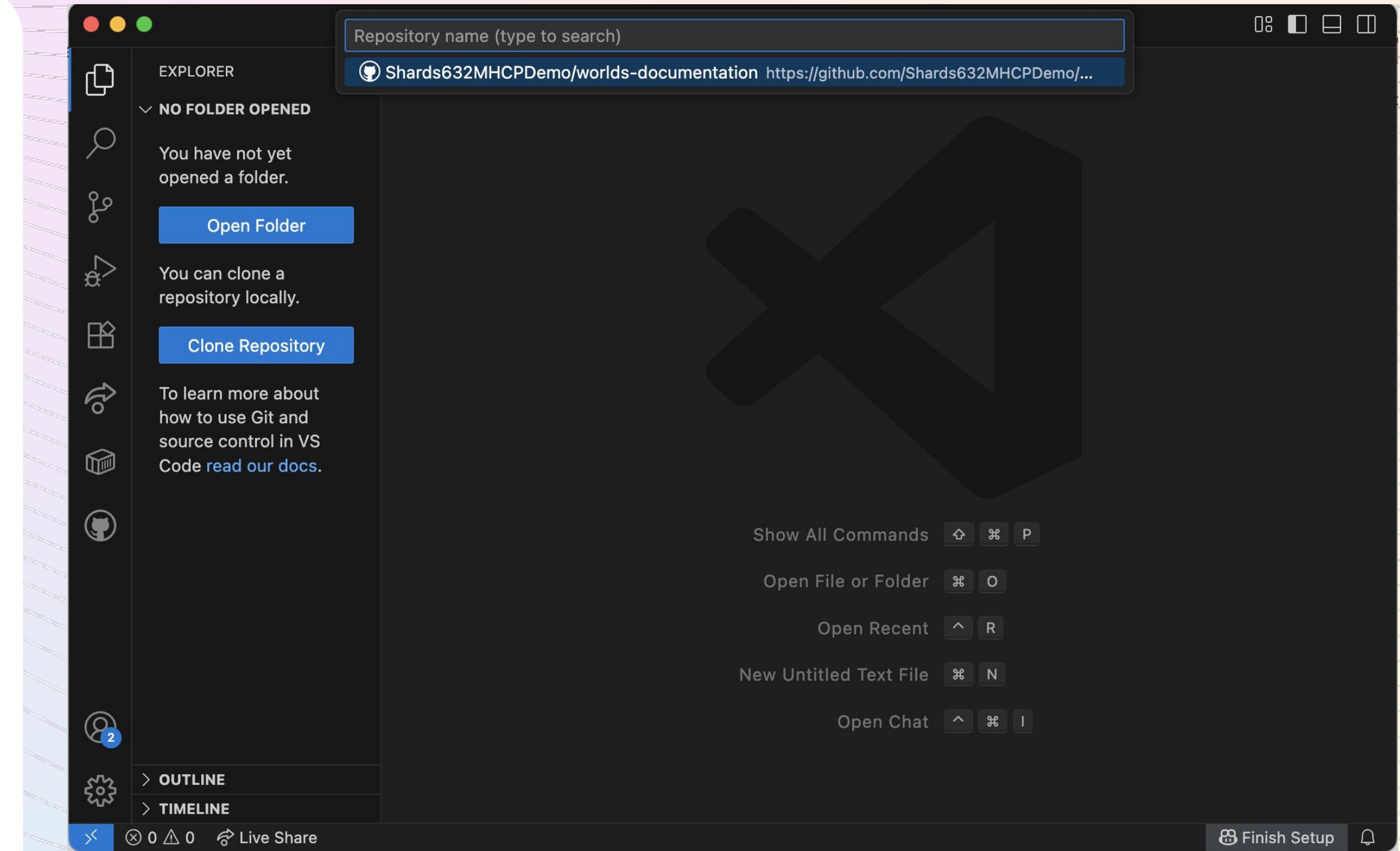
Edit in VSCode

VSCode has built-in live Markdown Preview

- Can show you side by side view of your markdown and how it will appear
- Direct integration with GitHub

Clone your online repo locally

- Makes a copy of your GitHub files local to your computer
- Changes do not reflect on GitHub until you push locally committed files there
- Click "Clone Repository", then "Clone from GitHub" from the drop down menu
 - May redirect you to log VSCode into GitHub if you haven't done so already
- Select your repo from the drop down list
 - Choose a location on disk for the files (e.g. a subfolder of your Documents folder)
 - Wait for it to clone (may take some time)
 - Open the new repository



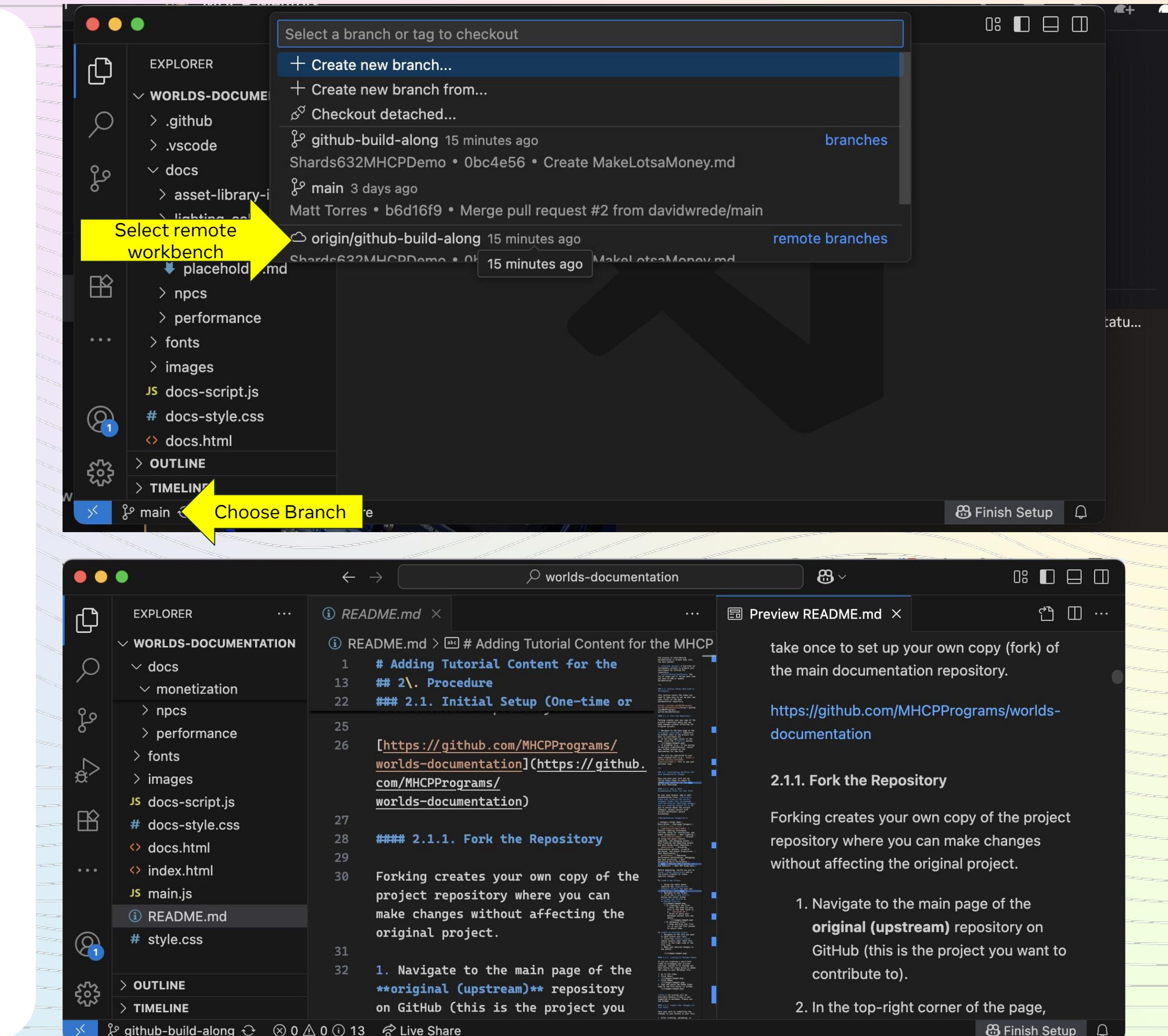
Switch to your work branch

Make sure you're making changes in the correct place

- The button in the lower left shows your current branch (default as 'main')
- Click on it and then select your work branch from the drop down
 - It may initially be under 'remote branches'
- The branch button in the lower left should update to show your work branch name

Open your markdown doc and preview it

- Navigate to the file in the explorer and open it
- Press Ctrl+Shift-V to open the preview pane
- Drag the preview to the side for side-by-side editing and preview



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Commit and Push

Commit your changes locally

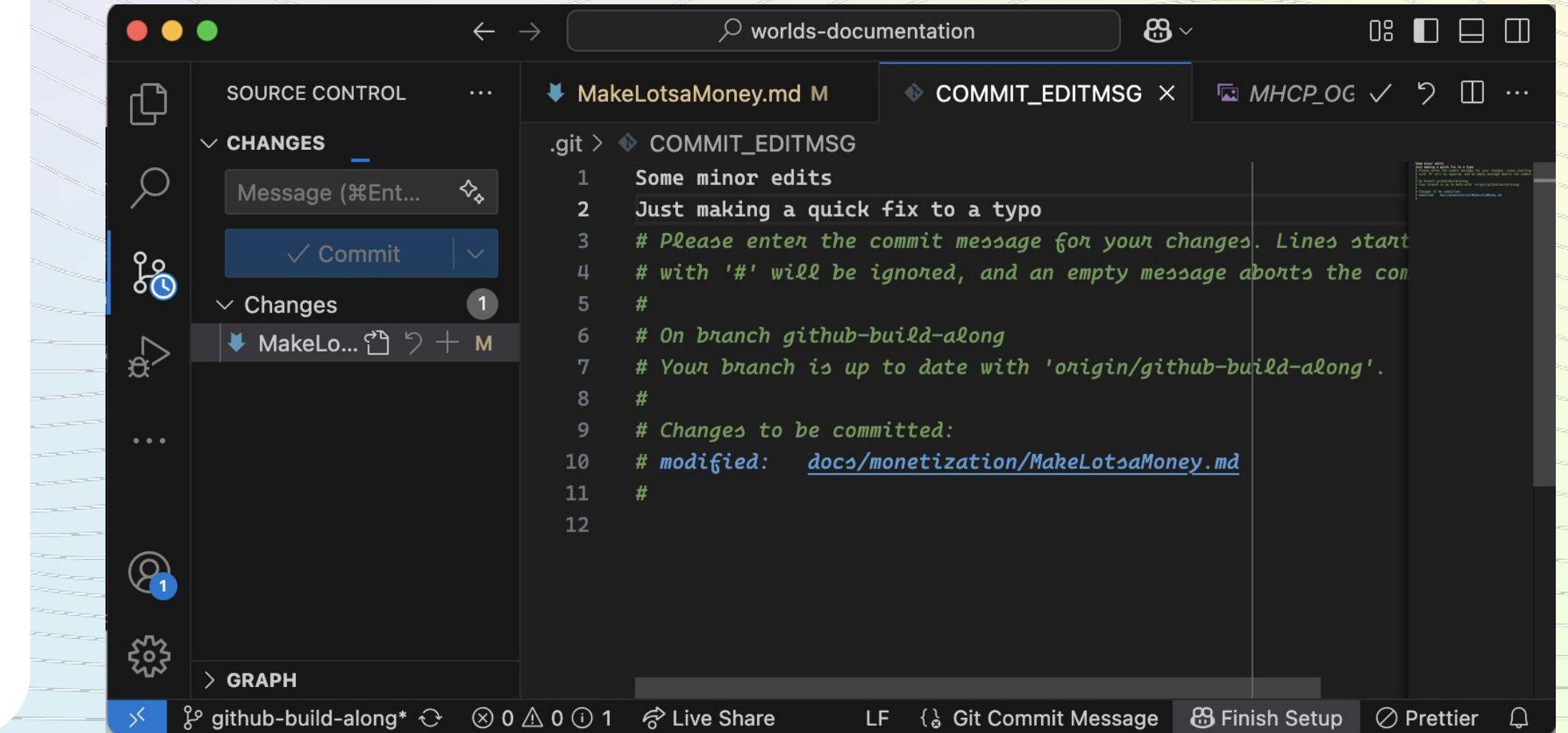
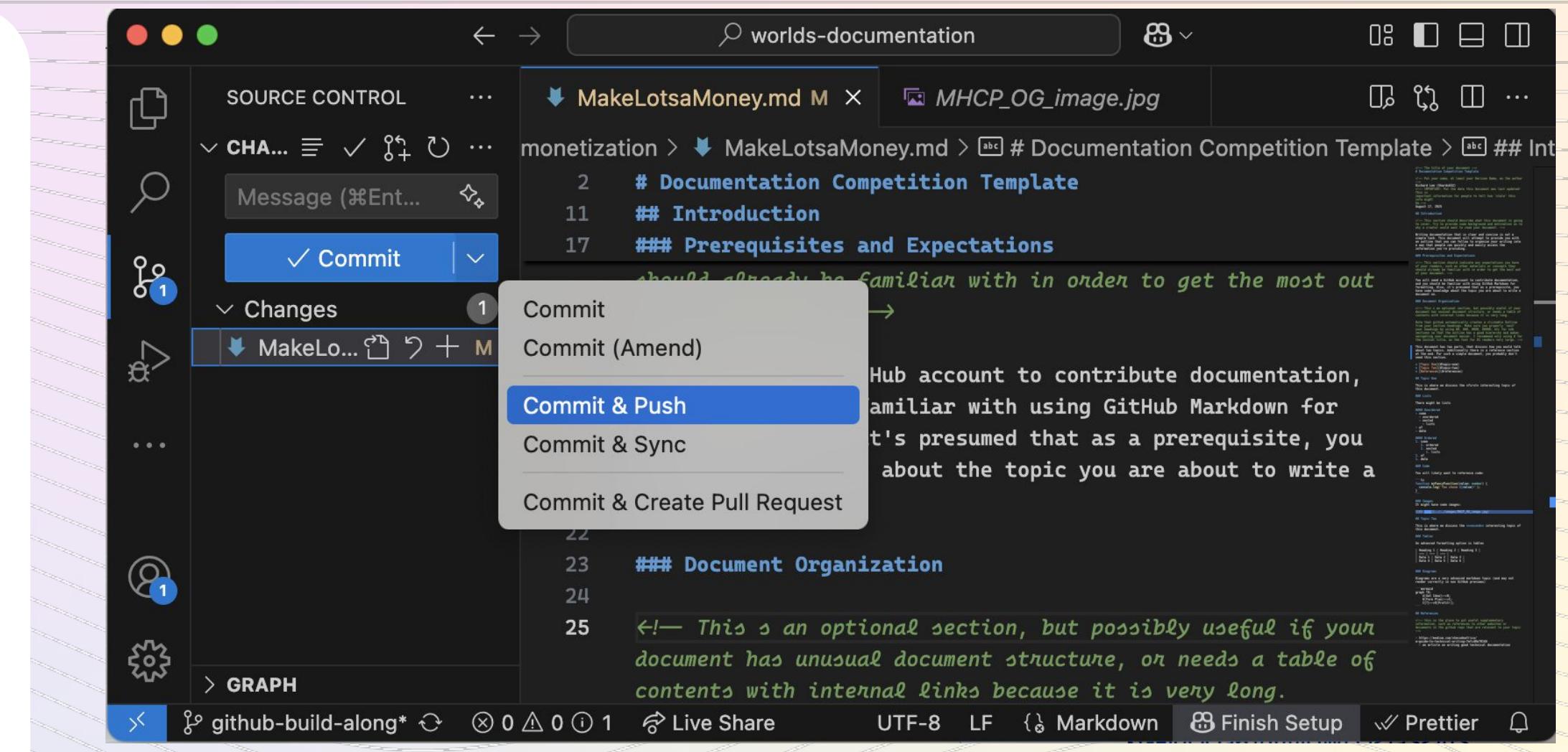
- Git is running a local version control system on your machine. You need to first commit your changes there
- It may pop up a dialog about "No Staged Changes". If so, select "Yes" to stage everything
- Enter a commit message in the editor
 - the first line is the same as the "message" on GitHub
 - the second and following lines are the "description" on GitHub
- Close the message edit tab to commit.

Push your changes to GitHub

- Once your changes are committed locally, you can push them to sync them up to GitHub via "Sync Changes"

Commit & Push

- Since it's such a common workflow, there is a drop down option from the "Commit" button to do both at once.



References

Competition GitHub Repo

- <https://github.com/MHCPPPrograms/worlds-documentation>
- This is where you will eventually need to submit your contest entries via a Pull Request (PR)

Competition README

- <https://github.com/MHCPPPrograms/worlds-documentation/blob/main/README.md>
- Goes over most of the content of this Build Along, but in more detail

Markdown Document Template

- <https://github.com/llamahunter/worlds-documentation/blob/main/docs/manuals-and-cheat-sheets/DocumentTemplate.md>
- The document template shown in this build along

Github Markdown Quick Reference

- <https://docs.github.com/en/get-started/writing-on-github/getting-started-with-writing-and-formatting-on-github/basic-writing-and-formatting-syntax>

GitHub Markdown Advanced Topics

- <https://docs.github.com/en/get-started/writing-on-github/working-with-advanced-formatting>

Markdown Live Preview Websites

- <https://markdownlivepreview.com/>
 - New and recently maintained 3 months ago
- <https://jbt.github.io/markdown-editor/>
 - Popular but hasn't had updates in 5 years

**Best of Luck
on your
Competition Entries!**

Thank You!

Thank you for learning with me!



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