

# Using this project plan give me detailed instructions step by step for an inexperienced dev for Phase 1.1 Environment & Repository Setup (Day 1) in markdown

Certainly! Here are step-by-step instructions for **Phase 1.1: Environment & Repository Setup** (**Day 1**) from your project plan, written for an inexperienced developer. These instructions will guide you through setting up the GitHub repository, project structure, initializing frontend and backend, and documenting the environment [1].

# Phase 1.1: Environment & Repository Setup (Day 1)

### Goal:

Set up the basic project structure and environment so both the frontend and backend can be started locally, with the repository organized and documented.

# 1. Create a GitHub Repository

### 1. Go to GitHub:

• Visit github.com and log in to your account.

## 2. Create a New Repository:

- Click the "+" button in the top right and select "New repository."
- Name it LifeTriage (or your preferred name).
- o Add a description if you wish.
- Choose "Public" or "Private."
- Do not initialize with a README, .gitignore, or license yet (we'll do this manually).
- Click "Create repository."

# 2. Set Up the Project Folder Structure

C:\Users\TechFast Australia\Desktop\LifeTriage

## 1. Open Your Terminal or Command Prompt:

Navigate to where you want your project to live (e.g., cd Documents/Projects).

## 2. Create the Main Project Folder:

• Run:

```
mkdir LifeTriage cd LifeTriage
```

### 3. Create Subfolders:

• Run:

```
mkdir frontend backend docs
```

This matches the structure shown in your plan.

## 3. Initialize Frontend with React + Vite

## 1. Enter the Frontend Folder:

• Run:

```
cd frontend
```

# 2. Initialize a New React Project with Vite:

• Run:

```
npm create vite@latest .
```

- When prompted:
  - Select "React" as the framework.
  - Choose "JavaScript" or "TypeScript" (JavaScript is fine for beginners).
  - Press Enter to confirm the project name (it should be the current folder, frontend).

# 3. Install Dependencies:

• Run:

```
npm install
```

# 4. Test the React App:

• Run:

```
npm run dev
```

- Open the provided local URL in your browser to confirm the app is running.
- Press Ctrl+C in the terminal to stop the server when done.

## 4. Initialize Backend with Flask

# 1. Go Back to the Main Project Folder:

• Run:

```
cd ..
cd backend
```

# 2. Create a Virtual Environment (Recommended):

• Run:

```
python -m venv venv
```

- Activate the Virtual Environment:
  - Windows:

```
venv\Scripts\activate
```

Mac/Linux:

```
source venv/bin/activate
```

## 3. Install Flask:

• Run:

```
pip install flask
```

# 4. Create a Basic Flask App:

- o Create a file named app.py in the backend folder.
- Add the following code:

```
from flask import Flask
app = Flask(__name__)

@app.route('/')
def hello():
    return "Hello, LifeTriage!"

if __name__ == '__main__':
    app.run(debug=True)
```

## 5. Test the Flask App:

• Run:

```
python app.py
```

• Open http://127.0.0.1:5000 in your browser to confirm the message appears.

• Press Ctrl+C in the terminal to stop the server when done.

# 5. Create a .gitignore File

## 1. Go Back to the Main Project Folder:

• Run:

```
cd ..
```

# 2. Create a .gitignore File:

• Run:

```
touch .gitignore
```

Open the file and add these lines:

```
node_modules/
venv/
.env
__pycache__/
*.pyc
*.pyo
*.pyd
.DS_Store
```

• This prevents unwanted files from being tracked by Git.

# 6. Set Up Local Development Environment Variables

1. Create a .env File in the Backend:

```
echo. > .env
```

o In the backend folder, run:

```
touch .env
```

• For now, leave it empty. You'll add environment-specific settings later.

# 7. Create Initial README with Setup Instructions

- 1. Create a README.md File:
  - In the main project folder, run:

```
touch README.md
```

- 2. **Open <u>README.md</u>** and **Add Basic Instructions:** 
  - Example content:

## 8. Push to GitHub

# 1. Initialize Git in the Main Project Folder:

• Run:

```
git init
```

## 2. Add All Files:

• Run:

```
git add .
```

## 3. Commit Your Changes:

• Run:

```
git commit -m "Initial project setup"
```

# 4. Link to Your GitHub Repository:

- Go to your GitHub repository and copy the remote URL (looks like https://github.com/yourusername/LifeTriage.git).
- Run:

```
git remote add origin https://github.com/yourusername/LifeTriage.git
```

## 5. Push to GitHub:

• Run:

```
git push -u origin main
```

# 9. Create Development Environment Documentation

- 1. In the docs Folder, Create a File:
  - Run:

```
cd docs
touch development.md
```

# 2. Add Notes About Your Setup:

Example content:

```
# Development Environment Setup
- **Node.js** installed (for frontend)
```

- \*\*Python 3.9+\*\* installed (for backend)
- \*\*Git\*\* installed
- \*\*Vite\*\* for React frontend
- \*\*Flask\*\* for Python backend
- \*\*Virtual environment\*\* for Python dependencies

## **Success Criteria**

- Both frontend and backend can be started locally.
- Repository is properly organized and documented.
- All files are pushed to GitHub.

You have now completed Day 1 of Phase 1.1 for the LifeTriage project! [1]



1. lifetriage\_revised\_plan.md