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Code

Back-End Development

Command Line & Git

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Learning Objectives

- To develop a basic understanding of command line and be able to successfully navigate a directory within the terminal.
- To understand the importance of Git for both version control and project management.

Requirements

- Visual Studio Code
- Git
- GitHub Account











What is Command Line?

- Command Line is the traditional approach to interacting with a computer without the use of a Graphical User Interface (GUI).
- > 100% text-based and 100% more powerful.





Why use Command Line?

- Allows the use of CLI Tools.
- Not all commands can be accessed via a GUI.
- Some GUIs can be difficult to navigate.
- Command Line can be very customisable and faster for developers (with practice!).





Basic Command Line

Action	Command
Print working	pwd
directory	
List current	ls
directory	
Change directory	cd <>
Change up a	cd
directory	
Make a new directory	mkdir
Print command	echo <> <>
Preview	cat <>
Remove	rm -r <>





What is Git?

- Git is a version control tool, created by Linus Torvalds in 2005 for developing the Linux Kernel.
- Today it's used as the primary version control tool of almost all developers.
- Git allows developers to track changes in projects, create branches and revert to previously saved states.





Why use Git?

- Git is free and open-source.
- Easy to integrate with GitHub, GitLab and Bitbucket.
- Enhances both individual and collaborative development.
- Almost all developer job roles will require an understanding of Git or experience using it.





Basic Git Commands

Action	Command
Initialise Git	git init <>
Set Name	git config —global user.name "<>"
Set Email	git config —global user.email "<>"
Add to staging area	git add <>
Commit changes	git commit -m "<>"
List Branches	git branch —a
New Branch	git branch <>
Merge Branches	git merge <>
Check staging area	git status
Check logs	git log
Push to GitHub	git push -u <> <>







GitHub CLI

- Official CLI Tool for GitHub.
- Allows Git to be easily linked to a GitHub account.
- Allows repositories to be created in Command Line.





GitHub CLI Commands

Action	Command
Initial set-up	gh auth login
Create Repository	<pre>gh repo create <> [-flags]</pre>
Search Repository	<pre>gh search repos <> [-flags]</pre>



Any Questions?



Task

- Using GitHub CLI, Git and Command Line, create a repository for your GitHub account.
- The repository needs to be public and should be named something along the lines of "innovate-portfolio".

★ [stretch] - Create a "readme.md" file within the repository to be displayed on the repo's GitHub page. Add a description to this file.

