

## **GitHub Actions YAML File Explanation**

Let me walk through this GitHub Actions workflow file line by line:

```
yaml
name: GitHub Actions Demo
```

 This sets the name of the workflow as "GitHub Actions Demo" which appears in the GitHub Actions tab.

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yaml
run-name: ${{ github.actor }} is testing out GitHub Actions ⋪
```

• This defines a custom name for workflow runs using the <code>github.actor</code> context variable (the username of the person who triggered the workflow) and adds some text and an emoji.

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yaml
on: [push]
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• This specifies the trigger for the workflow - it will run whenever code is pushed to any branch in the repository.

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yaml
jobs:
```

or more jobs.

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yaml
Explore-GitHub-Actions:
```

• This defines a job with the ID "Explore-GitHub-Actions".

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yaml
runs-on: ubuntu-latest
```

 This specifies that this job will run on a GitHub-hosted runner using the latest version of Ubuntu.

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yaml
steps:
```

• This begins the section that defines the individual steps for this job.

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yaml
- run: echo "∰ The job was automatically triggered by a ${{ github.event_name }}
```

 This step outputs a message showing what event triggered the workflow (in this case, a "push" event).

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• This step outputs the operating system of the runner (Ubuntu in this case).

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yaml
- run: echo "♪ The name of your branch is ${{ github.ref }} and your repository
```

• This step outputs the branch name and repository name using GitHub context variables.

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yaml
- name: Check out repository code
uses: actions/checkout@v4
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• This step is named "Check out repository code" and uses the actions/checkout@v4 action to clone the repository to the runner.

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yaml
- run: echo "♥ The ${{ github.repository }} repository has been cloned to the ru
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• This step confirms that the repository has been cloned to the runner.

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yaml
- run: echo "■ The workflow is now ready to test your code on the runner."
```

• This step outputs a message indicating that the workflow is ready to test code.

```
- name: List files in the repository
run: |
    ls ${{ github.workspace }}
```

• This step is named "List files in the repository" and uses the \textbf{ls} command to list all files in the repository directory. The \textbf{l} symbol indicates a multi-line command, though only one command is used here. \textbf{github.workspace} is the path where the repository is checked out on the runner.

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yaml
- run: echo "♣ This job's status is ${{ job.status }}."
```

• This final step outputs the status of the job (success, failure, etc.).

This is a simple demonstration workflow that shows how GitHub Actions works, demonstrating context variables and basic steps functionality.

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