Hardhat Project Setup

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Creating a Hardhat Project

```
npm init
npm install --save-dev hardhat
npx hardhat
npm install --save-dev @nomicfoundation/hardhat-toolbox
npm install @openzeppelin/contracts dotenv
```

@nomicfoundation/hardhat-toolbox is the only install we need! => no need to install any of the following: @nomicfoundation/hardhat-chai-matchers, @nomicfoundation/hardhat-network-helpers, @nomiclabs/hardhat-ethers, chai, ethers

Hardhat.config.js:

```
require("@nomicfoundation/hardhat-toolbox")
require("dotenv").config()
const { API URL, PRIVATE KEY } = process.env
//use optimizer to avoid warning: Contract code size exceeds 24576
//bytes (a limit introduced in Spurious Dragon)...
module.exports = {
    solidity: {
        version: "0.8.9",
        settings: {
            optimizer: { enabled: true, runs: 200 },
        },
    },
    defaultNetwork: "localhost",
    networks: {
        goerli: {
            url: API_URL,
            accounts: [`0x${PRIVATE KEY}`],
        },
    },
```

localhost is used for Ganache (if Ganache is running)

Testing a specific hardhat file:

npx hardhat test test/tests.js --network hardhat

Basic deployment script

No "require" statements are necessary on top of this file => because we are using require("@nomicfoundation/hardhat-toolbox") on top of hardhat.config.js

```
async function main() {
    const MyToken = await ethers.getContractFactory("MyToken")
    const myToken = await MyToken.deploy()
    await myToken.deployed()

    console.log("MyToken deployed to:", myToken.address)
}

main().catch((error) => {
    console.error(error)
    process.exitCode = 1
})
```

Hardhat test environments:

Ganache:

Install Ganache - switch to a specific workspace (in order to keep the same addresses, alternatively use the following mnemonic: gesture field devote disease hungry pioneer family verb weekend jewel enforce report) --- setup a Ganache network in MM, add the first Ganache account to MM (import PK)

Hardhat:

Launch a HH node from a cmd (select a directory that has HH installed) --- setup a HH network in MM, add the first HH account to MM (import PK)

Open either HH or Ganache and deploy the smart contract: npx hardhat run scripts/deploy.js -- make a note of the SC address and add it to your test code

Potential problems:

Reset nonce in MM: Settings => Advanced => Reset Account

Errors on transactions: Refresh network - switch to a different network and baack