# COMP3512 Lab/Chapter 12a Instructions

In the third edition of the textbook, Chapters 11, 12, and 13 have been blended together into a single chapter (Chapter 12). To make the labs more manageable, however, they have been split into two labs: Lab12a and Lab12b. This week you will be working on Lab 12a.

This lab will provide you with experience doing simple PHP. If you are running this lab locally, then you will need to download the files from this lab’s GitHub folder. You can do this by downloading a zip from GitHub, or by cloning the repo using Git.

1. Using a web browser, visit https://github.com/mru-comp3512-archive/f2020-chapter12a.
   1. If downloading, then click on Download button and download the zip. You can uncompress it someplace and continue with the lab.
   2. If you have installed using Git locally on your computer, then create a folder for your lab, then in the Terminal (Mac) or Git Shell / Command Window (PC), use the following commands:  
        
      **git init  
      git clone https://github.com/mru-comp3512-archive/f2020-chapter12a.git**
2. Once everything is ready, you will find a step-by-step lab (see **Lab12a-3rd.pdf**). I strongly recommend you work your way through each exercise in this lab!   
     
   In this lab, you will find several *Test Your Knowledge* sections. I will mark these in the next lab.   
     
   **Please don’t skip the other walkthrough exercises and simply complete the *Test Your Knowledge* sections.** The other walkthrough exercises are there to teach you different aspects of PHP, and you won’t learn them by skipping over them.