Activity: Working with Azure DevOps and Git via Command Line

Step 1: Create a New Project in Azure DevOps

- 1. Go to Azure DevOps and sign in.
- 2. Click on New Project.
- 3. Enter a project name (e.g., MyCLIProject).
- 4. Choose **Private** for visibility (or Public if desired).
- 5. Select **Git** as the version control system.
- 6. Click Create.

Step 2: Clone Repository Using Git CLI

- 1. Open Command Prompt (cmd) or PowerShell.
- 2. Navigate to the directory where you want to clone the repository:

cd path\to\your\projects\folder

- 3. Get the repository URL from Azure DevOps:
 - o In ADO, go to Repos > Files.
 - o Click on Clone and copy the HTTPS URL.
- 4. Run the following command to clone the repository:

git clone https://dev.azure.com/your-org-name/MyCLIProject/_git/MyCLIProject

5. Navigate into the cloned repository:

cd MyCLIProject

Step 3: Create a New Branch Using Git CLI

1. Create a new branch named feature-add-files:

git checkout -b feature-add-files

2. Verify that the branch is created:

git branch

o The active branch will have an asterisk (* feature-add-files).

Step 4: Open the Repository in Visual Studio and Verify Branch

- 1. Open Visual Studio.
- 2. Click Open a project or solution.
- 3. Select the **cloned repository folder** (e.g., MyCLIProject).
- 4. Once the folder opens, go to **View > Git Changes** to verify that:
 - The repository is connected.
 - The current branch is feature-add-files.
- 5. If the branch is not feature-add-files, switch to it:
 - Click the branch dropdown in Git Changes.
 - Select feature-add-files.

Step 5: Add New Files in Visual Studio

- 1. In **Solution Explorer**, right-click the project folder.
- 2. Select Add > New Item.
- 3. Choose a file type (e.g., Class, Text File, Markdown).
- 4. Name the file (e.g., NewFeature.cs).
- 5. Add some content to the file.
- 6. Save the file.

Step 6: Stage and Commit Changes Using Git CLI

- 1. Go back to the terminal inside the repository folder.
- 2. Check the status of your changes:

git status

- The new file should be listed as Untracked.
- 3. Stage the new file(s):

git add.

4. Commit the changes with a message:

git commit -m "Added NewFeature.cs"

5. Verify the commit:

git log --oneline -n 1

o The latest commit message should appear.

Step 7: Push Changes to Azure DevOps

1. Push the new branch to Azure DevOps:

git push --set-upstream origin feature-add-files

2. Verify that the branch is available in Azure DevOps by checking **Repos > Branches**.

Step 8: Create a Pull Request (PR) in Azure DevOps

- 1. Go to **Azure DevOps** in your browser.
- 2. Navigate to Repos > Branches.
- 3. Find your branch (feature-add-files).
- 4. Click New Pull Request.
- 5. Ensure **main** is the target branch.
- 6. Add a title and description.
- 7. Click Create.

Step 9: Approve and Merge the Pull Request

1. If required, assign reviewers.

- 2. Click **Approve** (if you have permissions).
- 3. Click Complete Merge.
- 4. Select **Delete branch after merge** (optional).
- 5. Click Merge.