What is GitHub? When was it created? Why? By who? What similar platforms exist? Why would you use such a platform? (Answer between 5 and 10 lines)

* GitHub is like Wikipedia for programmers. You can edit files, see who changed what, view old versions of files, and access it from anywhere in the world – except you’re working with source code instead of encyclopedia data. Companies use it to build software and websites, while hobbyist programmers use it to find and share projects.
* The business model is simple: if you want to share your source code with everyone and make it public, you don’t pay anything. If you need to hide your source code because it’s private and runs your business, you pay.
* Development of the GitHub platform began on 1 October 2007. The site was launched in April 2008 by [Tom Preston-Werner](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tom_Preston-Werner), [Chris Wanstrath](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chris_Wanstrath), and PJ Hyett after it had been made available for a few months prior as a beta release.
* Tom Preston-Werner is the founder of Github.
* Bitbucket, Sourceforge, Gitlab are alternatives to Github.
* GitHub is a code hosting platform for version control and collaboration. It lets you and others work together on projects from anywhere.