


## ◆ Step 1: Project Structure

Terraform modules are just **directories with .tf files** that can be reused. Let's create this structure:

```
terraform-modules-example/  
├── main.tf  
├── variables.tf  
├── outputs.tf  
└── modules/  
    └── ec2-instance/  
        ├── main.tf  
        ├── variables.tf  
        └── outputs.tf
```

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## ◆ Step 2: Write the EC2 Module

 modules/ec2-instance/main.tf


```
resource "aws_instance" "this" {  
  ami          = var.ami  
  instance_type = var.instance_type  
  
  tags = {  
    Name = var.instance_name  
  }  
}  
  
resource "aws_security_group" "this" {  
  name          = "${var.instance_name}-sg"  
  description   = "Allow SSH inbound traffic"  
  
  ingress {  
    from_port = 22  
    to_port   = 22  
    protocol  = "tcp"  
    cidr_blocks = ["0.0.0.0/0"]  
  }  
  
  egress {  
    from_port = 0  
    to_port   = 0  
    protocol  = "-1"  
    cidr_blocks = ["0.0.0.0/0"]  
  }  
}
```

 modules/ec2-instance/variables.tf

```
variable "ami" {  
  description = "AMI ID for the EC2 instance"  
  type        = string  
}
```

```
variable "instance_type" {
  description = "EC2 instance type"
  type        = string
  default     = "t2.micro"
}

variable "instance_name" {
  description = "Tag Name for the EC2 instance"
  type        = string
}
```


 modules/ec2-instance/outputs.tf

```
output "instance_id" {
  value = aws_instance.this.id
}

output "public_ip" {
  value = aws_instance.this.public_ip
}
```


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## ◆ Step 3: Call the Module from Root

 main.tf

```
provider "aws" {
  region = "us-east-1"
}

module "my_ec2" {
  source      = "./modules/ec2-instance"
  ami         = "ami-0c55b159cbfafa1f0" # Example Amazon Linux 2 AMI
  (check for your region)
  instance_type = "t2.micro"
  instance_name = "MyTerraformEC2"
}
```

 variables.tf

# (Optional if you want to parameterize root-level configs)

 outputs.tf

```
output "ec2_id" {
  value = module.my_ec2.instance_id
}

output "ec2_public_ip" {
  value = module.my_ec2.public_ip
}
```

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## ◆ Step 4: Run Terraform Commands

```
terraform init
terraform plan
terraform apply -auto-approve
```

You'll get the EC2 **instance ID** and **public IP** from outputs.

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## ◆ Step 5: Benefits of Modules

- **Reusable:** Can use the same `ec2-instance` module for multiple instances.
- **Maintainable:** Logic stays separate from variables.
- **Scalable:** You can add VPC, RDS, or S3 as more modules.