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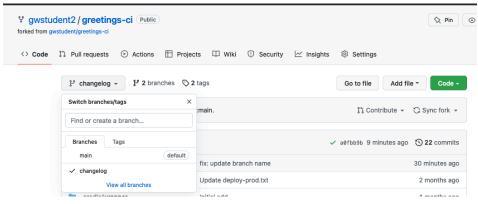
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Lab 5 – Pull requests from other users

Purpose: In this lab, we'll see how to take our new code and execute a pull request from another user.

1. Starting this lab, you should be in the repository for your secondary GitHub user id - the one you added the extra actions call to in Lab 4. You also need to be on the "changelog" branch that you created in Lab 4.



2. We need to make one code update in our workflow file due to an issue with the action that can cause the pull request merge to fail. Temporarily, we will add a parameter to the changelog action to tell it not to do a pull since that causes issue when trying to do it on a pull request. Edit the .github/workflows/pipeline.yml file and add the two lines in bold as shown below as a parameter for the action.

```
- name: Conventional Changelog Action
  uses: TriPSs/conventional-changelog-action@v5.1.0
  with:
    skip-git-pull: "true"
```

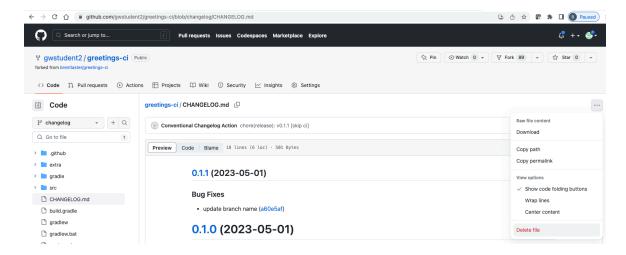
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          steps:
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          uses: actions/checkout@v4
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    name: Conventional Changelog Action

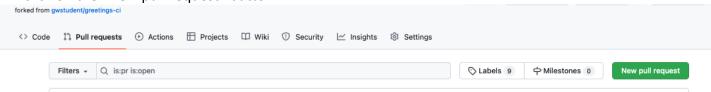
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             uses: TriPSs/conventional-changelog-action@v5.1.0
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            with:
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               skip-git-pull: "true"
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31
           name: Set up JDK 17
```

3. Commit the changes into the repository (still in the changelog branch).

- 4. Now that we have our code changes for the changelog in our forked repository (under the secondary userid), let's see how to get them merged back into the original repository (primary userid) via another pull request this time between two separate repositories (meaning between the GitHub repository for our primary and secondary userids).
- 5. Still in the forked repository under your secondary GitHub userid and in the "changelog" branch, in preparation for the pull request, let's delete the CHANGELOG.md file so the target repo can create its own new one. Go back to the "Code" tab at the top of the repository and select the "CHANGELOG.md" file. With that file open, click on the three dots icon in the upper right and select "Delete file" from the dropdown. Then go ahead and commit those changes just leave the commit message as-is.



- 6. Also delete the package ison file via the same process.
- 7. Still in the forked repository for your <u>secondary</u> GitHub userid, select the "Pull requests" tab and then click on the "New pull request" button.



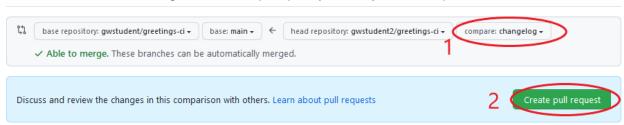
- 8. Note that this automatically drops you into a screen where you are comparing the main branch of your forked project from the secondary GitHub userid (referred to as the "head repository") to the original project's (primary userid) main branch (referred to as the "base repository").
 - In this case, since we made our changes in the "changelog" branch, we want to **switch the branch** in our forked project for the secondary GitHub user id ("head repository") to be the "changelog" branch.

You can click on the dropdown on the far right that says "compare: main" and select "changelog" in

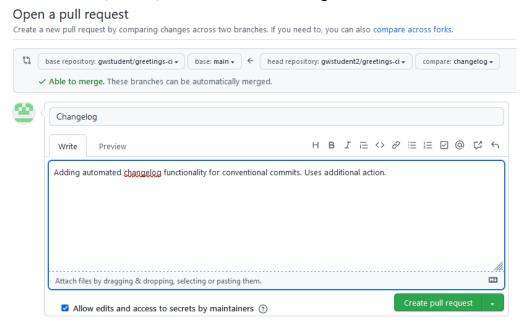
there. Then click on the "Create pull request" button.

Comparing changes

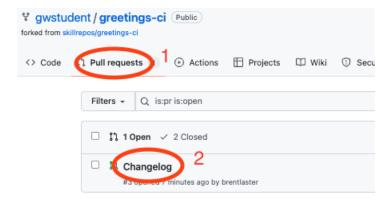
Choose two branches to see what's changed or to start a new pull request. If you need to, you can also compare across forks.



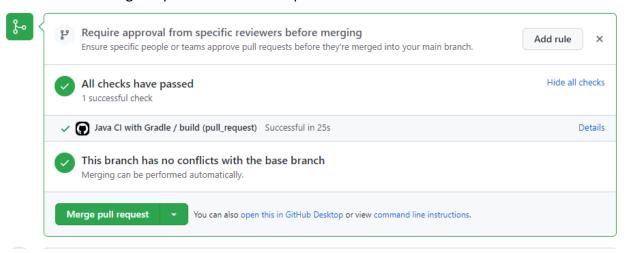
9. On the next screen, you can just enter an appropriate comment and then click the next "Create pull request" button. After this, you'll see a screen that summarizes the pull request with tabs across the top to look at the commits, checks, and files that were changed.



10. **Now, go back to a session under your primary GitHub** userid (log out and log back in if needed or switch browsers, etc.). Then go to the original repository for greetings-ci under that userid. Click on the "Pull requests" tab at the top and you should see 1 open pull request from your <u>secondary</u> userid. Click on the link for that one.



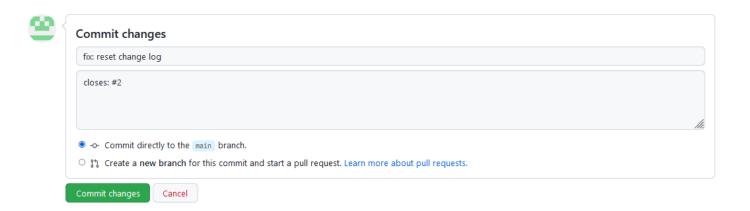
9. Now you can scroll down, and eventually you should see a message that "All checks have passed". You can click on the "Show all checks" link to the right and see that the "check" here was a run of our workflow. Then you can click on the "Merge pull request" button and then click the "Confirm merge" button and the merge request should be completed.



10. After the operation finishes, the workflow should have run. Now, we need to remove the extra lines we added for the changelog action. Remove the lines shown in strikethru below.

```
- name: Conventional Changelog Action
  uses: TriPSs/conventional-changelog-action@v4
  with:
    skip-git-pull: "true"
23
          steps:
          - uses: actions/checkout@v4
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          - name: Conventional Changelog Action
            uses: TriPSs/conventional-changelog-action@v5.1.0
27
28
29
          - name: Set up JDK 17
30
            uses: actions/setup-java@v4
31
            with:
32
              java-version: '17'
              distribution: 'temurin'
33
34
```

11. Click on the button to commit the changes as usual. In the bottom text entry box, in the commit message area for the "Commit changes" box, enter "fix: reset change log". And in the "Add an optional extended description..." box, add the text "closes: #x" where "x" is the number of the issue that we opened earlier in the labs.



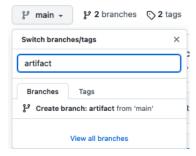
- 12. After that, click on the "Commit changes" button. You can commit directly to the main branch. This should run the action again and close the issue.
- 13. After this is done, look at the CHANGELOG.md file to see the fix increment.
- 14. And you can look at the issue (under the "Issues" tab) to see that it is closed.

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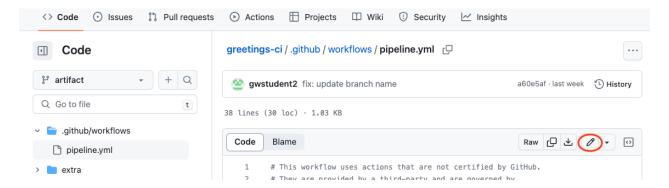
Lab 6 – Managing Artifacts

Purpose: In this lab, we'll look at how to do simple artifact management – an important part of Continuous Delivery.

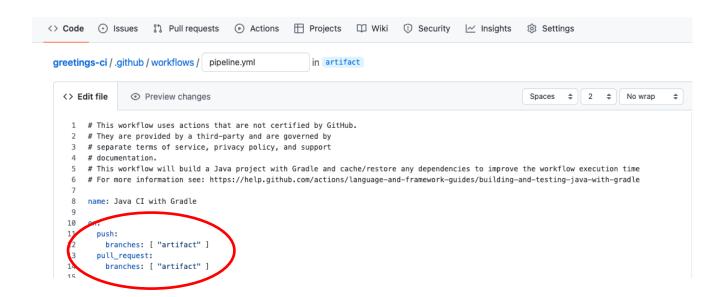
- 1. Ensure you are in your primary GitHub id and go to your "greetings-ci" project that we used in week 1.
- 2. As a best practice for building out the pipeline as a larger project, let's create a separate branch to work in for managing the versioning and storage of the artifact. We'll call it "artifact". In the "Code" tab, click on the branch dropdown that says "main". Then in the text area that says "Find or create a branch...", enter the text "artifact". Then click on the "Create branch: artifact from 'main'" link.



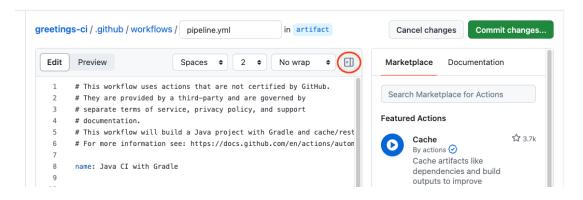
3. Now you should be on the *artifact* branch. We're going to first add the code to persist the artifact that we built in our build step. We want to persist this for use with other jobs in our pipeline such as ones that might test it. Open the .github/workflows/pipeline.yaml file (click on the name) and edit it by clicking on the pencil icon.



4. Change the references in the "on:" clause to be just the "artifact" branch so we don't trigger action runs on the other branches while we are working on this one. Make sure you are on the *artifact* branch before you proceed.



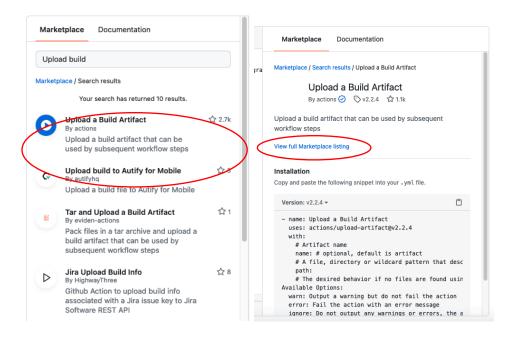
5. Click on the square to the right to show the pane to search for actions (if search pane isn't shown).



6. As before, to the right, you should see a pane with references to GitHub actions. We're going to add a job to our workflow to upload an artifact. Let's find actions related to uploading.

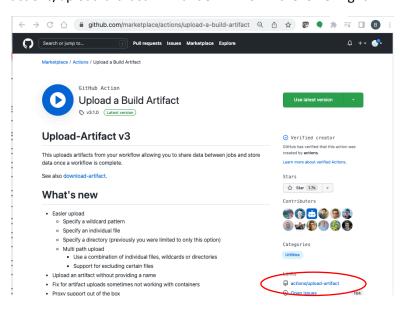
In the "Search Marketplace for Actions" box on the upper right, enter "Upload build" and see what's returned.

Find the one that is named "Upload a Build Artifact By actions" and click on it. Take a look at the page that comes up from that. Let's look at the full listing on the Actions Marketplace. Click on the "View full Marketplace listing".



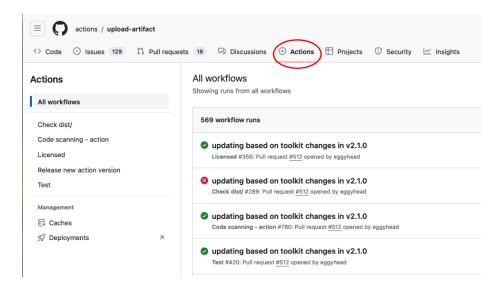
7. This should open up the full GitHub Actions Marketplace listing for this action. Notice the URL at the top - https://github.com/marketplace/actions/upload-a-build-artifact.

Then click on the "actions/upload-artifact" link under "Links" in the lower right.



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8. This will put you on the screen for the source code for this GitHub Action. Notice there is also an Actions button here. GitHub Actions use CI/CD themselves via GitHub Actions. Click on the "Actions" button to see the workflows that are in use/available



9. Switch back to the browser tab where you are editing the workflow for greetings-actions. Update the build job to include a new step to use the "upload-artifact" action to upload the jar the build job creates. To do this, add the following lines inline with the build job steps. Pay attention to the indenting. See the screenshot (lines 40-44) for how this should look afterwards. (Your line numbers may be different.)

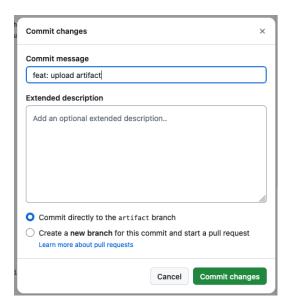
The code to add is immediately below. You can copy and paste but may need to adjust the indenting. Notice this should go after the *Build with Gradle Wrapper* step.

```
- name: Upload Artifact
  uses: actions/upload-artifact@v4.3.0
  with:
     name: greetings-jar
     path: build/libs
     35
             # Configure Gradle for optimal use in GiHub Actions, including caching
     36
             # See: https://github.com/gradle/actions/blob/main/setup-gradle/README
     37
             - name: Setup Gradle
     38
              uses: gradle/actions/setup-gradle@v3
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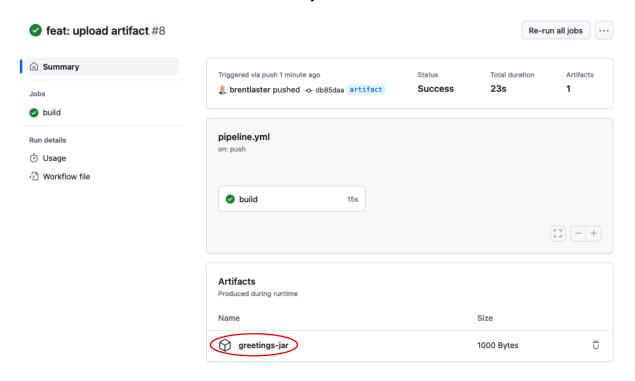
    name: Build with Gradle Wrapper

     40
               run: ./gradlew build
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     43
              name: Upload Artifact
               uses: actions/upload-artifact@v4.3
      4
     45
               with:
     46
                 name: greetings-jar
                 path: build/libs
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```

10. Click on the green "Commit changes..." button in the upper right. In the dialog that comes up, add a conventional commit message like "feat: upload artifact", then click the green "Commit changes" button to make the commit.



11. Switch to the "Actions" tab in your repository to see the workflow run. After a few moments, you should see that the run was successful. Click on the title of that run "feat: upload artifact". On the next screen, in addition to the graph, there will be a new section called "Artifacts" around the middle of the page. (You may have to scroll past several warnings that you can ignore.) You can download the artifact from there. Click on the name of the artifact to try this.



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Lab 7 – Versioning Artifacts

Purpose: In this lab, we'll look at how to do simple artifact versioning to better keep track of what we produce and can use in our CI/CD processes.

- 1. Our artifact is being uploaded now, but we need to have each instance from a run of our pipeline clearly versioned so we can easily track changes and get back to specific versions if we need. For simplicity, we'll use the same semantic versioning scheme and value provided by our changelog generation process specifically we'll use the "version" output from the changelog step.
- 2. To reference the output from a step, we need to assign the step an "id". We can't just use the name. So, switch to the *artifact* branch and edit the pipeline.yaml file again in the usual way and add the line in **bold** below in the "Conventional Changelog Action" step. See the screen capture below for a reference of where to add this. The middle line is the only one you need to add. Make sure you are on the "artifact" branch again!

- name: Conventional Changelog Action

id: changelog

uses: TriPSs/conventional-changelog-action@v3.14.0

```
23
           steps:
24
           uses: actions/checkout@v4
25
26

    name: Conventional Changelog Action

27
            id: changelog
28
             uses: TriPSs/conventional-changelog-action@v5.1.0
29
30
          - name: Set up JDK 17
31
             uses: actions/setup-java@v4
32
            with:
```

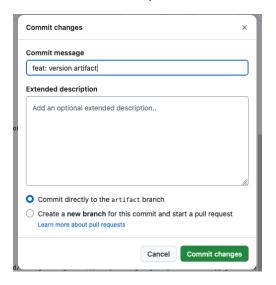
3. Now, we need to construct the reference to get the version output from the changelog step. This is pretty straightforward. The reference looks like this (where *changelog* is the id we added in the previous step): (We're just looking at code here, we'll make the actual changes in the next step)

```
${{ steps.changelog.outputs.version }}.jar
```

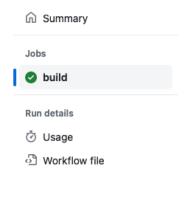
4. To make this simple, we'll just add a step to tag the artifact with the version by renaming it to include the version number. We'll want to add this after the build has produced the artifact and before we upload it. Add the two lines for a new step in the code <u>after the build step and before the upload step</u>. (Note the second line does not need to be split in your code - it just displays that way because of the length.)

```
- name: Tag artifact
    run: mv build/libs/greetings-ci.jar build/libs/greetings-ci-${{
    github.event.inputs.myVersion || steps.changelog.outputs.version }}.jar
```

5. Now we can commit this with a commit message that will trigger a new version, for example: "feat: version artifact". Go ahead and do the commit - directly to the artifact branch - with the conventional commit msg.



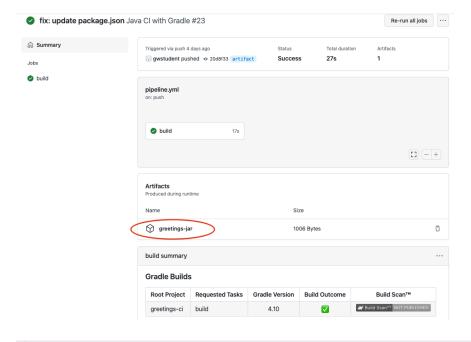
6. After this commit, there will be a new run of the workflow and the build job. If you select the build job in the workflow and expand the conventional changelog steps and the "Tag artifact" step, you'll be able to see the newly generated version and the rename that occurs.

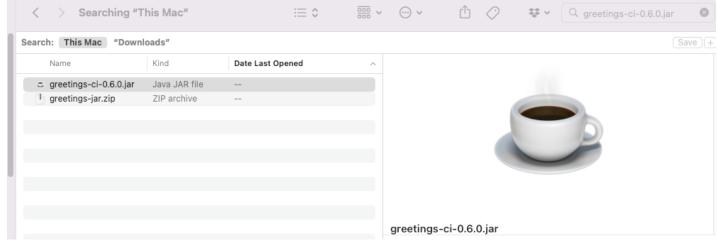




(Note: If you run into an issue where a new tag is not generated, you can try editing the package.json file and updating the version in it to be higher than the hightest current tag on the repo.)

7. If you go to the page for the run of the action, you can see the new jar in the *Artifacts* section. You can click on it and download it and extract it to see the actual versioned artifact that was created.

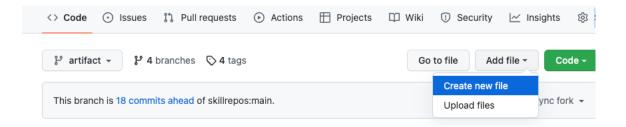




Lab 8 – Adding in a test case

Purpose: In this lab, we'll add a simple test case to download the artifact and verify it

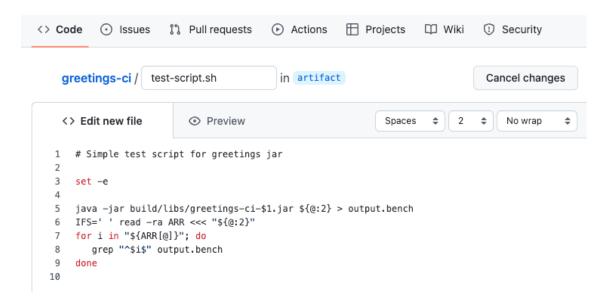
1. First, let's create a new script to test our code. To create a new file via the browser, go back to the "Code" tab at the top. You should still be in the artifact branch. If not, change to it. Click on the Add file button next to the green Code button. From the list that pops up, select Create new file.



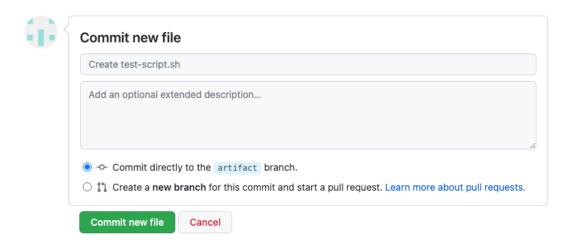
2. In the new editor that pops up, you'll be at the location to type in a name. You can name this "test-script.sh". Then copy and paste the following code into the new file. (A screenshot is shown after the code so you can see how things line up.) (This code is also available at https://gist.github.com/brentlaster/f1c922ff4266882f0e5f2982da053cde)

```
set -e
java -jar build/libs/greetings-ci-$1.jar ${@:2} > output.bench
IFS=' ' read -ra ARR <<< "${@:2}"
for i in "${ARR[@]}"; do
    grep "^$i$" output.bench
done</pre>
```

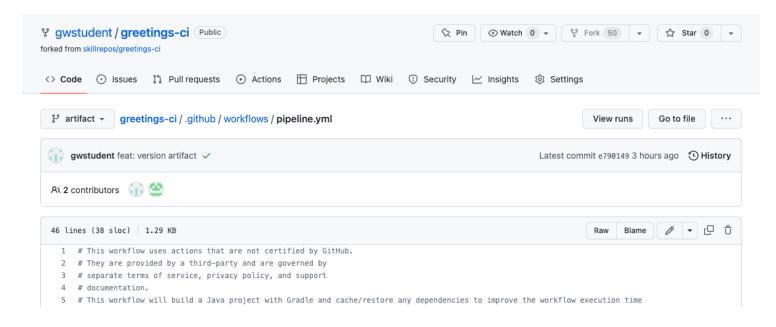
Simple test script for greetings jar



- 3. This script takes the version of the jar to run as its first parameter and the remaining values passed in as the rest of the parameters. Then it simply cycles through all but the first parameter checking to see if they print out on a line by themselves.
- 4. Go ahead and commit this file into the repository on the artifact branch.



5. Now let's add a second job to our workflow (in pipeline.yml) to do a simple "test". We'll continue working in the separate branch "artifact" as we build out our pipeline. As you've done before, edit the *pipeline.yml* file.



6. Add the job definition for a job called "test-run" that runs on ubuntu-latest. What this code does is wait for the build job to complete (the *needs: build* part), then run two steps. The first step downloads the artifacts we uploaded before to have them there for the testing script. And the second step runs the separate testing script against the downloaded artifacts, making it executable first. Since we want to test what we built, it will need to wait for the build job to be completed. That's what the "*needs: build*" part does in the code below.

The screenshot shows where it should go. Pay attention to indentation - *test-run*: should line up with *build*: . (If you see a wavy red line under part of the code, that probably means the indenting is not right.)

```
test-run:
  runs-on: ubuntu-latest
  needs: build
  steps:
  - name: Download candidate artifacts
    uses: actions/download-artifact@v4
       name: greetings-jar
 - name: Set up JDK 17
   uses: actions/setup-java@v4
   with:
      java-version: '17'
     distribution: 'temurin'
  - name: Execute test
    shell: bash
    run: |
       chmod +x ./test-script.sh
       ./test-script.sh ${{ github.event.inputs.myVersion || needs.build.outputs.artifact-tag }} ${{
 github.event.inputs.myValues }}
  60
            uses: actions/upload-artifact@v4.3.0
  61
            with:
  62
              name: greetings-jar
  63
              path: |
  64
               build/libs
  65
                test-script.sh
  66
  67
        test-run:
  68
  69
        runs-on: ubuntu-latest
  70
          needs: build
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    name: Download candidate artifacts

  74
        uses: actions/download-artifact@v4
  75
        with:
  76
         name: greetings-jar
  77
        - name: Set up JDK 17
  78
         uses: actions/setup-java@v4
  81
            java-version: '17'
  82
        distribution: 'temurin'
  83
  84
        name: Execute test
  85
        shell: bash
        run: |
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  87
        chmod +x ./test-script.sh
  88
              ./test-script.sh ${{ github.event.inputs.myVersion || needs.build.outputs.artifact-tag }} ${{ github.event.inputs.myValues }}
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```

(Note: You can also get this code from

https://gist.github.com/brentlaster/72b060faa8e84df14c2a5f9485d89231)

7. There are a couple of "housekeeping" tasks we need to take care of before we call our script. First, since we want to be able to identify a specific version of the script, we need to capture the version from the "build" job into a "job output" that can be accessed from another job.

Add the lines below **in the "build:" job** definition after the "runs-on" and before the "steps". This will setup a new output from the job named artifact-tag.

```
# Map a step output to a job output
outputs:
  artifact-tag: ${{ steps.changelog.outputs.version }}
   15
   16
        jobs:
   17
          build:
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   19
            runs-on: ubuntu-latest
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   21
            # Map a step output to a job output
   22
              artifact-tag: ${{ steps.changelog.outputs.version }}
   23
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            permissions:
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              contents: write
```

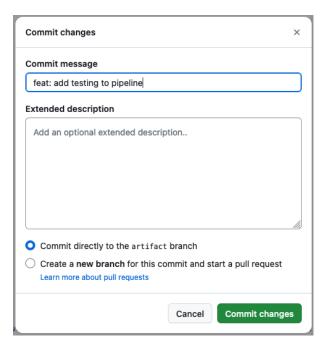
8. Next, since each job executes on a separate runner system, we need to make sure our new test script is available on the runner that will be executing the tests. For simplicity, we can just add it to the list of items that are included in the uploading of artifacts. Modify the **path** section of the "Upload Artifact" step in the "build" job to look like below.

```
path: |
             build/libs
             test-script.sh
48
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          - name: Tag artifact
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             run: mv build/libs/greetings-ci.jar bui
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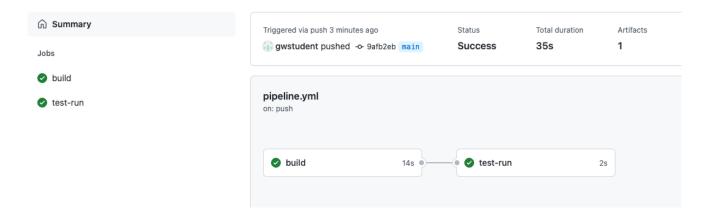
    name: Upload Artifact

            uses: actions/upload-artifact@v4.3.0
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            with:
               name: greetings-jar
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              path: |
                 build/libs
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                 test-script.sh
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        test-run:
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            runs-on: ubuntu-latest
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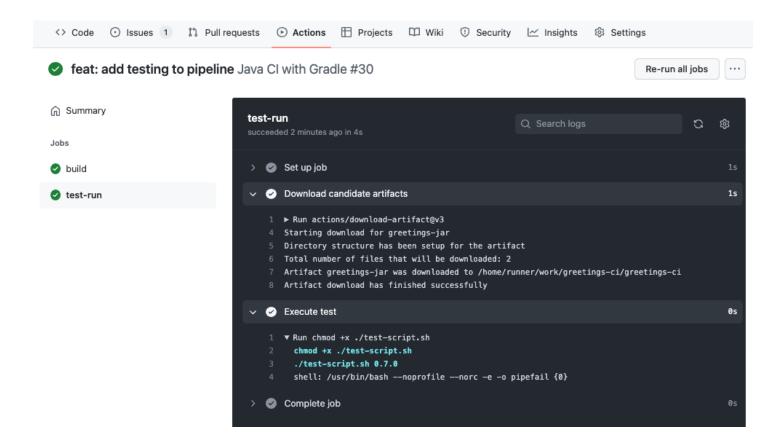
9. Now, you can just commit the pipeline changes with a simple message like "feat: add testing to pipeline".



10. Afterwards, you should see a new run of the action showing multiple jobs in the action run detail. Notice that we can select and drill into each job separately.

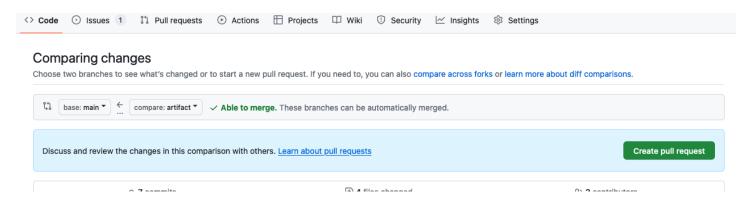


You can look at the logs from the test-run job if you want to see the downloaded script and execution. Note which version got passed in the "./test-script.sh" line. You'll need this later.



11. Now that we've proven out the changes in the *artifact* branch, let's go ahead and merge the changes back into the main branch via a pull request. In the *Pull requests* menu at the top, click on the *New pull request* button.

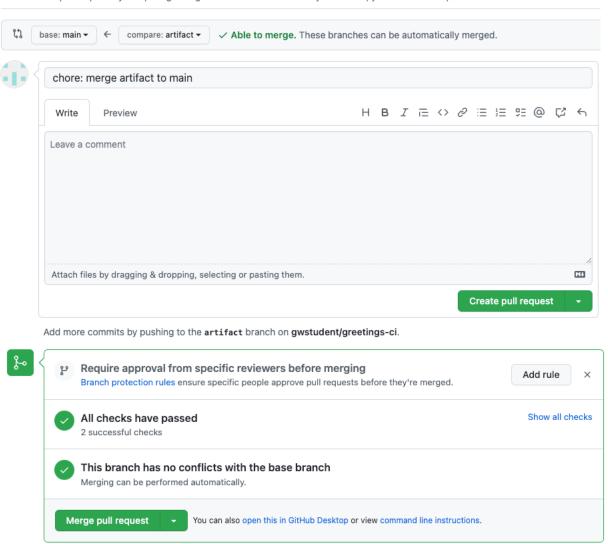
Change the base value to be for **your repo** and **main** (not skillrepos/greetings-ci) and the compare value to be for **your repo and artifact**. Then click on the *Create pull request* button.



On the next dialog enter a conventional commit message like "chore: merge artifact to main", then click the 2nd Create pull request button.

Open a pull request

Create a new pull request by comparing changes across two branches. If you need to, you can also compare across forks.



On the third dialog, all of the checks should be green, so just go ahead and select *Merge pull request*, then *Confirm merge*.

12. Let's make one more change to make it easier to run our workflow manually to try things out, start runs, etc. **Switch to the main branch**. Then edit the pipeline.yaml file again. In the "on:" section near the top, change the branch names from "artifact" to "main" And add the code below at the bottom of the "on" section. ("workflow_dispatch" should line up with "pull" and "push") and then commit the changes.

```
workflow_dispatch:
   inputs:
     myVersion:
     description: 'Input Version'
   myValues:
     description: 'Input Values'
```

Note: Don't forget to change the branch names!

```
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  1 # This workflow uses actions that are not certified by
  2 # They are provided by a third-party and are governed b
  3 # separate terms of service, privacy policy, and suppor
  4 # documentation.
  5 # This workflow will build a Java project with Gradle a
    # For more information see: https://docs.github.com/en/
    name: Java CI with Gradle
  8
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 10 on:
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      push:
 12
       branches: [ "main" ]
       pull_request:
 13
       branches: [ "main" ]
 14
 15
       workflow_dispatch:
       inputs:
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         myVersion:
 17
           description: 'Input Version'
 18
          myValues:
 19
          description: 'Input Values'
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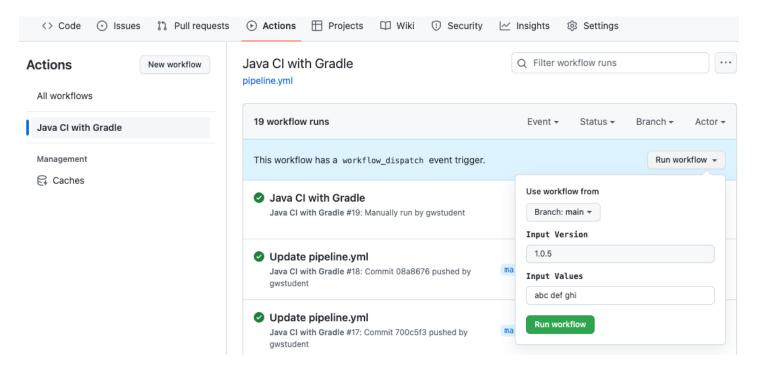
- 13. Commit your changes to the main branch.
- 14. Since we added the *workflow_dispatch* event trigger in our last set of code changes, if you select the workflow from the Actions tab, you should see a blue bar that has a button that allows you to manually run the workflow.

Click on Run workflow. Make sure Branch is set to main.

In the *Input Version* section, put in a semantic version number such as "1.0.5".

In the *Input Values* section, enter whatever you want for arguments.

Click on the green "Run workflow" button. You can look at the output of the test-run job again to see what occurred.



15. If you want, you can download the artifact, extract the contents and see the versioned jar.

