



Q1. Configure HTPasswd Identity Provider

Question 1. Manage Identity Providers:

- Configure the Oauth to use **HTPasswd** as the identity provider.
- Secret name should be **ex280-secret** and Identity Provider name should be **ex280-idp-secret**.

Create Users:

- Create user **bob** with password **indionce**
- Create user **jobs** with password **catalog**
- Create user **john** with password **warniak**
- Create user **armstrong** with password **gluengue**
- Create user **natasha** with password **sestiver**
- Create user **alice** with password **thankyou**

SOLUTION

1. Create the htpasswd file with all users

```
oc whoami
```

```
htpasswd -c -B -b /tmp/htpasswd bob indionce
```

```
htpasswd -B -b /tmp/htpasswd jobs catalog
```

```
htpasswd -B -b /tmp/htpasswd john warniak
```

```
htpasswd -B -b /tmp/htpasswd armstrong gluengue
```

```
htpasswd -B -b /tmp/htpasswd natasha sestiver
```

```
htpasswd -B -b /tmp/htpasswd alice thankyou
```

Check:

```
cat /tmp/htpasswd
```

 2. Create the secret using the htpasswd file

```
oc create secret generic ex280-secret --from-file htpasswd=/tmp/htpasswd -n openshift-config
```

```
oc get secret -n openshift-config | grep 280
```

 3. Edit the OAuth cluster configuration

```
oc get oauth
```

```
oc edit oauth cluster
```

Add this block under **spec**: (exact indentation matters):

```
yaml
spec:
  identityProviders:
    - name: ex280-idp-secret
      mappingMethod: claim
      type: HTPasswd
      htpasswd:
        fileData:
          name: ex280-secret
```

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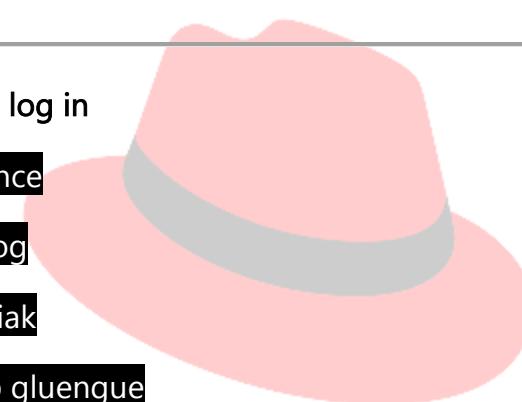
Save & exit.

(mnemonic you should remember - I Need My Tea Hot For Now)  

4. Wait for authentication pods to restart

```
oc get pods -n openshift-authentication -w
```

Pods will go through Terminating → Running again.



```
student@workstation ~]$ oc get pods -n openshift-authentication -w
NAME           READY   STATUS    RESTARTS   AGE
oauth-openshift-57b4bd597d-662p4  1/1     Terminating   0          9m20s
oauth-openshift-7df78485c7-n8cz7  0/1     Pending      0          3s
oauth-openshift-57b4bd597d-662p4  0/1     Terminating   0          9m42s
oauth-openshift-7df78485c7-n8cz7  0/1     Pending      0          25s
oauth-openshift-7df78485c7-n8cz7  0/1     Pending      0          25s
oauth-openshift-7df78485c7-n8cz7  0/1     ContainerCreating   0          25s
oauth-openshift-57b4bd597d-662p4  0/1     Terminating   0          9m43s
oauth-openshift-57b4bd597d-662p4  0/1     Terminating   0          9m43s
oauth-openshift-57b4bd597d-662p4  0/1     Terminating   0          9m43s
oauth-openshift-7df78485c7-n8cz7  0/1     ContainerCreating   0          26s
oauth-openshift-7df78485c7-n8cz7  0/1     Running      0          27s
oauth-openshift-7df78485c7-n8cz7  1/1     Running      0          27s
```

5. Verify all users can log in

```
oc login -u bob -p indionce
```

```
oc login -u jobs -p catalog
```

```
oc login -u john -p warniak
```

```
oc login -u armstrong -p gluengue
```

```
oc login -u natasha -p sestiver
```

```
oc login -u alice -p thankyou
```

Successful login = Identity Provider configured correctly 

6. List users

Login back by using cluster/admin user (ex: **kubeadmin** in the exam and **admin** in lab)

```
oc get users
```

```
[student@workstation ~]$ oc get users | grep -i 280
alice      30f5bd5a-161b-43c1-85bb-08ac81adbf7b      ex280-idp-secret:alice
armstrong   bcf5f320-209b-4e2f-bc09-e4fa9ba56188      ex280-idp-secret:armstrong
bob         051d0339-d756-4f23-aacd-6012ea8a86fb      ex280-idp-secret:bob
jobs        b357ab8f-e739-4cd2-a590-e812258901dd      ex280-idp-secret:jobs
john        ec50782d-5e1f-43cb-8930-d4143155f11d      ex280-idp-secret:john
natasha     9f0c5114-f713-4db8-a206-3ebc94351a16      ex280-idp-secret:natasha
[student@workstation ~]$
```

EXPLANATION

Create HTPasswd file

Stores user data in bcrypt format. Required by OpenShift.

Secret in openshift-config

OAuth can only read secrets from this namespace.

Edit OAuth provider

Adding identityProviders activates new login method.

Operator restart

Auth pods restart → new provider becomes active.

Test login

If login works for all users, the setup is correct.

TECHNICAL EXPLANATION

1. HTPasswd Creation

- `-c` → create a new file (use only for the first user)
- `-B` → use bcrypt hashing (OpenShift **requires** bcrypt)
- `-b` → supply password inline

This creates the **local user database** that OAuth will consume.

2. Secret in openshift-config

OpenShift authentication pulls htpasswd only from:

Namespace: **openshift-config**

If you put it anywhere else → OAuth will not find it.

Secret must be named **ex280-secret**.

A **generic secret** is the default secret type in Kubernetes (type: Opaque) used to store **any file or key-value data**, such as htpasswd files.

We use it because htpasswd is just a normal file and does not belong to special secret types like TLS or docker-registry. **--from-file** simply uploads the file into the secret so OAuth can read it.

3. Editing OAuth

The object:

oauth cluster

is the **global authentication configuration**.

The identityProviders: block tells OpenShift:

- Enable HTPasswd Provider
 - Use secret named ex280-secret
 - Name this provider ex280-idp-secret
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4. Authentication Operator Restart

After modifying OAuth:

- The **authentication operator** detects changes
- It automatically restarts pods in
`openshift-authentication & openshift-oauth-apiserver`
- Once pods return to Running → new IDP is active

This is **normal and expected**.

