

OverTheWire: Bandit – All Levels

Process	How (commands/notes/actions taken)	Outcome (what happened as a result)
Install SSH	<p>My linux had no ssh pre-installed so I followed: https://linuxconfig.org/how-to-install-ssh-secure-shell-service-on-kali-linux and installed ssh</p> <pre>sudo apt install ssh sudo systemctl enable ssh</pre>	ssh installed
Level 0 → Level 1	<pre>ssh <username>@<remote> -p<portnumber> ssh bandit0@bandit.labs.overthewire.org -p 2220 ls -all -s cat readme</pre> <p>Flag obtained: NH2SXQwcBdpmTEzi3bvBHMM9H66vVXjL</p>	<p>Connected to the bandit server as user bandit0 and password bandit0</p> <p>ls showed what files are in the current working directory.</p> <p>Viewed contents of file ‘readme’ and obtained password.</p>
Level 1 → Level 2	<p>Exit from Bandit0: <code>exit</code></p> <pre>ssh bandit1@bandit.labs.overthewire.org -p 2220 ls cat ./-</pre> <p>Flag obtained: rRGizSaX8Mk1RTb1CNQoXTcYZWU6lgzi</p>	<p>Dashed Filename: have to specify the full location of the file from the current working directory.</p> <p>Added ./ in front of filename.</p>
Level 2 → Level 3	<p>Exit from Bandit1: <code>exit</code></p> <pre>ssh bandit2@bandit.labs.overthewire.org -p 2220</pre>	<p>Spaces in Filename:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Type command, space, first word of filename and tab OR

	<pre>ls</pre> <p>Flag obtained: aBZ0W5EmUfAf7kHTQeOwd8bauFJ2lAiG</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Type command, space, filename but before every space, insert "\\"
Level 3 → Level 4	<p>Exit from Bandit2: <code>exit</code></p> <pre>ssh bandit3@bandit.labs.overthewire.org -p 2220</pre> <pre>ls</pre> <pre>ls -a</pre> <pre>cd inhere</pre> <pre>ls -a</pre> <pre>cat .hidden</pre> <p>Flag obtained: 2EW7BBsr6aMMoJ2HjW067dm8EgX26xNe</p>	Hidden Files: Include -a after command to include hidden files.
Level 4 → Level 5	<p>Exit from Bandit3: <code>exit</code></p> <pre>ssh bandit4@bandit.labs.overthewire.org -p 2220</pre> <pre>ls</pre> <pre>cd inhere</pre> <pre>ls</pre> <pre>cat ./-file00 (gave gibberish)</pre> <pre>cat ./-file01 (gave gibberish)</pre> <pre>cat ./-file02 (gave gibberish)</pre>	2 methods: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Open 1 by 1 Use file /*

	<pre>cat ./-file03 (gave gibberish) cat ./-file04 (gave gibberish) cat ./-file05 (gave gibberish) cat ./-file06 (gave gibberish) cat ./-file07 (gave readable text: password)</pre> <hr/> <pre>file /* (gives the type of data inside the file, look for ASCII) Flag obtained: lrIWWI6bB37kxfiCQZqUdOIYfr6eEeqR</pre>	
Level 5 → Level 6	<p>Exit from Bandit4: <code>exit</code></p> <pre>ssh bandit5@bandit.labs.overthewire.org -p 2220</pre> <pre>ls</pre> <pre>cd inhere</pre> <pre>ls</pre> <pre>find -size 1033c</pre> <pre>ls -l ./maybehhere07/.file2</pre> <pre>cat ./maybehhere07/.file2</pre> <hr/>	<p>There is only 1 file that is 1033 bytes in size.</p> <p>Verify the file with <code>ls -l</code>:</p> <pre>-rw-r----- 1 root bandit5 1033 Apr 23 18:04 ./maybehhere07/.file2</pre> <p>The file is indeed non executable</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Specify all criterias in the find command.</p> <p>(c stands for bytes)</p>

	<pre>find ./* -size 1033c -type f ! -executable</pre> <pre>cat ./maybehhere07/.file2</pre> <p>Flag obtained: P4L4vucdmLnm8I7Vl7jG1ApGSfjYKqJU</p>	
Level 6 → Level 7	<p>Exit from Bandit5: <code>exit</code></p> <pre>ssh bandit6@bandit.labs.overthewire.org -p 2220</pre> <pre>ls</pre> <pre>find / -type f -user bandit7 -group bandit6 -size 33c (too many Permission Denied errors)</pre> <pre>find / -type f -user bandit7 -group bandit6 -size 33c 2>/dev/null (excluded all errors)</pre> <pre>cat /var/lib/dpkg/info/bandit7.password</pre> <p>Flag Obtained: z7WtoNQU2XfjmMtWA8u5rN4vzqu4v99S</p>	<p>Error exclusion learnt from:</p> <p>https://www.cyberciti.biz/faq/bash-find-exclude-all-permission-denied-messages/</p>
Level 7 → Level 8	<p>Exit from Bandit6: <code>exit</code></p> <pre>ssh bandit7@bandit.labs.overthewire.org -p 2220</pre> <pre>ls</pre> <pre>grep millionth data.txt</pre> <p>Flag Obtained: TESKZC0XvTetK0S9xNwm25STk5iWrBvP</p>	<p>Grep <word> <file></p> <p>Gives the entire line with the specified word.</p>
Level 8 → Level 9	<p>Exit from Bandit7: <code>exit</code></p>	<p>One limitation of the <code>uniq</code> command is that it will only identify duplicates that are adjacent, or next to each other, in the file.</p>

	<pre>ssh bandit8@bandit.labs.overthewire.org -p 2220 ls sort data.txt uniq -u</pre> <p>Flag Obtained: EN632PlfYiZbn3PhVK3XOGSINlnNE00t</p>	Thus, we will need to sort the file first before using uniq.
Level 9 → Level 10	<p>Prev flag: EN632PlfYiZbn3PhVK3XOGSINlnNE00t</p> <pre>ssh bandit9@bandit.labs.overthewire.org -p 2220 ls grep == data.txt grep -a == data.txt</pre> <p>Flag Obtained: G7w8Lli6J3kTb8A7j9LgrywtEULyyyp6s</p>	<p>Doing grep without any flags gave: grep: data.txt: binary file matches.</p> <p>Adding -a or --text flag processes a binary file as if it were text because the txt file contains random binary bytes</p> <p>Highlighted 4 lines with multiple consecutive '='</p> <p>Picked the correct looking one.</p>
Level 10 → Level 11	<p>Exit from Bandit9: <code>exit</code></p> <pre>ssh bandit10@bandit.labs.overthewire.org -p 2220 ls base64 --decode data.txt</pre> <p>Flag Obtained: 6zPeziLdR2RKNdNYFNb6nVCKzphIXHBM</p>	<p>Reference:</p> <p>https://www.serverlab.ca/tutorials/linux/administration-linux/how-to-base64-encode-and-decode-from-command-line/</p>
Level 11 → Level 12	Exit from Bandit10: <code>exit</code>	

	<pre>ssh bandit11@bandit.labs.overthewire.org -p 2220 ls cat data.txt tr 'a-zA-Z' 'n-za-mN-ZA-M'</pre> <p>Flag Obtained: JVNBFSmZwKKOP0XbFXOoW8chDz5yVRv</p>	ROT13 (rotate by 13 spaces) A → N, a→n. Encryption and decryption goes the same way.
Level 12 → Level 13	<p>Exit from Bandit11: <code>exit</code></p> <pre>ssh bandit12@bandit.labs.overthewire.org -p 2220 ls mkdir /tmp/Agnes cd /tmp/Agnes cp ~/data.txt . mv data.txt dataHex.txt</pre> <p>Decompression 1:</p> <pre>xxd -r dataHex.txt dataComp.txt cat dataComp.txt</pre> <p>Rename dataComp to gzip file</p> <pre>mv dataComp.txt dataComp.gz gzip -d dataComp.gz</pre> <p><code>cat dataComp</code> (still unreadable)</p>	<p>Create a directory where I have permission to create files</p> <p>revert the hexdump using xxd and get the actual data which is not readable</p> <p>To figure out what decompression we need to use, look at the first bytes in the hexdump to find the file signature. (1fb8)</p> <p>https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_file_signatures shows that 1f8b is a gzip compressed file.</p>

Decompression 2:

```
xxd dataComp
```

```
mv dataComp dataComp.bz2
```

```
bzip2 -d dataComp.bz2
```

```
cat dataComp (still unreadable)
```

File is still compressed. Repeat process.

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(bz2)

Decompression 3:

```
xxd dataComp
```

```
mv dataComp dataComp.gz
```

```
gzip -d dataComp.gz
```

```
cat dataComp (still unreadable)
```

File is still compressed. Repeat process.

Decompression 4:

```
xxd dataComp (too many lines)
```

```
xxd dataComp | head
```

```
mv dataComp dataComp.tar
```

```
tar -xf dataComp.tar
```

```
ls
```

```
xxd data5.bin | head
```

File is archived this time.

| head gives me only the first 10 lines in the file which is easier to see since I only need to know the name of the archive file.

use tar to extract the file.

```
tar -xf data5.bin
```

```
ls
```

Decompression 5:

```
xxd data6.bin
```

```
bzip2 -d data6.bin
```

```
ls
```

Decompression 6:

```
xxd data6.bin.out | head
```

```
tar -xf data6.bin.out
```

```
ls
```

Decompression 7:

```
xxd data8.bin | head
```

```
mv data8.bin data8.gz
```

```
gzip -d data8.gz
```

```
ls
```

```
cat data8
```

Another archive file data6.bin

Another bzip2 file

Another archive file data8.bin

Another gzip file

	Flag Obtained: wbWdlBxEir4CaE8LaPhauuOo6pwRmrDw	Finally uncompressed the file
Level 13 → Level 14	Exit from Bandit12: <code>exit</code> <code>ssh bandit13@bandit.labs.overthewire.org -p 2220</code> <code>ls</code> <code>cat sshkey.private</code> <code>ssh -i sshkey.private bandit14@bandit.labs.overthewire.org -p 2220</code> <code>cat /etc/bandit_pass/bandit14</code> Flag Obtained: fGrHPx402xGC7U7rXKDaxiWFToiF0ENq	Ssh into bandit14 using the ssh key given in bandit13 (@localhost doesn't work says wrong port used)
Level 14 → Level 15	<code>man nc</code> <code>nc localhost 30000</code> Enter previous flag. Flag Obtained: jN2kgmIXJ6fShzhT2avhotn4Zcka6tnt	Netcat or NC is a utility tool that uses TCP and UDP connections to read and write in a network. Use nc to connect to localhost port 3000 and write the password
Level 15 → Level 16	Exit from Bandit14: <code>exit</code> <code>ssh bandit15@bandit.labs.overthewire.org -p 2220</code> <code>openssl s_client -connect localhost:30001</code> Enter previous flag Flag Obtained: JQttfApK4SeyHwDII9SXGR50qlOAi1	<code>openssl s_client</code> is the implementation of a simple client that connects to a server using SSL/TLS Note: adding <code>-ign_eof</code> does not help with anything it seems 😞

Level 16 → Level 17

Exit from Bandit15: `exit`

```
ssh bandit16@bandit.labs.overthewire.org -p 2220
```

```
nmap -p31000-32000 localhost
```

```
nmap -sV -p31000-32000 localhost
```

```
nmap -sV -T4 -p31000-32000 localhost
```

PORT	STATE	SERVICE	VERSION
31046/tcp	open	echo	
31518/tcp	open	ssl/echo	
31691/tcp	open	echo	
31790/tcp	open	ssl/unknown	
31960/tcp	open	echo	

```
openssl s_client -connect localhost:31790
```

```
mkdir /tmp/level16to17
```

```
cd /tmp/level16to17
```

```
cat >> sshkey.txt
```

Paste the ssh key

```
chmod 400 sshkey.txt
```

```
ls -l
```

```
ssh -i sshkey.private bandit17@bandit.labs.overthewire.org -p 2220
```

Flag Obtained: NIL

Want to know service as well so I added the `-sV` flag

Added `-T4` to speed up the scan.

(<https://nmap.org/book/performance-timing-templates.html>)

port 31518 runs only the echo service so we connect to port 31790.

create directory and save key in a file.

Change permissions to only owner can read only

(<https://www.pluralsight.com/blog/it-ops/linux-file-permissions>)

ssh key is given:

-----BEGIN RSA PRIVATE KEY-----

```
MIIEogIBAAKCAQEAvmOkufmMg6HL2YPIjon6iWfbp7c3jx34YkYWqUH57UdyJ  
imZzeYGC0gtZPGujUSxiJSWI/oTqexh+cAMTSMIOJf7+BrJObArnxd9Y7YT2bRPQ  
Ja6Lzb558YW3FZI87ORiO+rW4LCDNnd2IUvLE/GL2GWyuKN0K5iCd5TbtJzEkQTu  
DSt2mcNn4rhAL+jFr56o4T6z8WWAW18BR6yGrMq7Q/kALHYW3OekePQAzL0VUYbW  
JGTi65CxbCnzc/w4+mqQyvmzpWtMAzTzAzQxNbKR2MBGy5xDLrjg0LWN6sK7wNX  
x0YVztz/zblkPjfku1jHS+9EbVNj+D1XFOJuaQIDAQABAOIBABagpxpM1aoLWfvD  
KHcj10nqcoBc4oE11aFYQwik7xfW+24pRNuDE6SFthOar69jp5RILwD1NhPx3iBl  
J9nOM8QJOVToum43UOS8yxF8WwhXriyGnc1sskbwpXOUUDc9uX4+UESzH22P29ovd  
d8WErY0gPxun8pbJlmxkAtWNhpMvfe0050vk9TL5wqbu9AlbssgTcCXkMQnPw9nC
```

		<pre> YNN6DDP2IbcBrvgT9YCNL6C+ZKufD52yOQ9qOkwFTEQpjF4uNtJom+asvlpms8A vLY9r60wYSvmZhNqBURj7lyCxIMlu1kkd4w7F77k+DjHoAXycUp1DGL51sOmama +TOWWgEcgYE8JtPxP0GRJ+IQkX262jM3dElka8ky5molwUqYdsx0NxHgRRhORT 8c8hAuRBb2G82so8vUhk/fur850Efc9TncnCY2crpoqsgifKLxrLgtT+qDpfZnx SatLdt8GfQ85yA7hnWWJ2MxF3NaeSDm75Lsm+tBbAiyc9P2jGRNtMSkCgYEAYpHd HCctNi/FwjuLhttFx/rHYKhlzDFYeiE/v45bN4yFm8x7R/b0iE7KaszX+Exdvt SghaTdcG0Knyw1bpJVyusavPzpaJMjd6tcFhVAbAjm7enClvGCSx+X3l5SiWg0A R57hJglezliVjv3aGwHwvIZvtszK6zV6oXFau0ECgYAbjo46T4hyP5tj93V5HDi TtieK7xRVxU+iU7rWkGAXFpMLFteQEsRr7PJ/lemmeEY5eTDafMLy9FL2m9oQWCg R8VdwSk8r9FGLS+9aKcV5PI/WEKlwgXinB3OhYimtiG2Cg5JCqlZFHxD6MjEGOiu L8ktHMPvodBwNsSBULpG0QKBgBApITfc1HOnWiMGOU3KPwYWt0O6CdTkmJ0mL8Ni bh9elyZ9FsGxsgtRBXRsqXuz7wtsQAgLhxbdLq/ZlQ7YfzOKU4ZxEnabvXnvWkU YOdjHdSOoKvDQNwu6ucyLRAWFuSeXw9a/9p7ftpxm0TSgyvmfLF2MIAEwyZRqaM 77pBAoGAMmjmlJdp+Ez8duyn3ieo36yrttF5NSsJLAbxFpd1cgvGCWW+9Cq0b dxviW8+TFVEBI1O4f7Hvm6EpTscdDxU+bCXWkfjuRb7Dy9G0tt9JPsX8MBTakzh3 vBgsyi/sN3RqRBcGU40fOoZyfAMT8s1m/uYv52O6lgeuZ/ujbjY= -----END RSA PRIVATE KEY----- </pre>
Level 17 → Level 18	<pre> ls man diff diff passwords.new passwords.old Flag Obtained: hga5tuuCLF6fFzUpnagiMN8ssu9LFrdg </pre>	Diff compares file line by line and by default tells us which lines in one file has to be changed to make the two files identical (aka different lines)
Level 18 → Level 19	<pre> Exit from Bandit17: exit ssh bandit18@bandit.labs.overthewire.org -p 2220 ssh -t bandit18@bandit.labs.overthewire.org -p 2220 bash –norc ls cat readme Flag Obtained: awhqfNnAbc1naukrpqDYcF95h7HoMTrC </pre>	<p>Got logged out with message: “Byebye !”</p> <p>Add bash –norc to bypass .bashrc since that file gets executed right after logging in which is causing the logging out.</p> <p>(Adding /bin/sh at the end works as well.)</p> <p>Check that I have sucessfully logged in.</p>
Level 19 → Level 20	<pre> Exit from Bandit18: exit ssh bandit19@bandit.labs.overthewire.org -p 2220 </pre>	Setuid is a Linux file permission setting that allows a user to execute the file or program with the permission of the owner of that file.

	<pre>ls /etc/bandit_pass</pre> <pre>ls -la</pre> <pre>-rwsr-x--- 1 bandit20 bandit19 14876 Apr 23 18:04 bandit20-do</pre> <pre>./bandit20-do</pre> <pre>id (check what are the ids of users)</pre> <pre>./bandit20-do id (euid is bandit20 means assigned id for me is bandit20)</pre> <pre>./bandit20-do cat /etc/bandit_pass/bandit20</pre> Flag obtained: VxCazJaVykl6W36BkB0U0mJTCM8rR95XT	<p>See which file is the goal</p> <p>List all files and the permissions in current directory. User is bandit20, group is bandit19.</p> <p>This file allows user to run commands as user bandit20</p> <p>"I am bandit20" if I execute ./bandit20-do</p> <p>Access the file as user bandit20</p>
Level 20 → Level 21	<pre>Exit from Bandit19: exit</pre> <pre>ssh bandit20@bandit.labs.overthewire.org -p 2220</pre> <pre>ls</pre> <pre>echo 'VxCazJaVykl6W36BkB0U0mJTCM8rR95XT' nc -l -p 1234 & (receive the password inputted through echo)</pre> <pre>./suconnect 1234</pre> Flag obtained: NvEJF7oVjkddltPSrdKEFOllh9V1IBcq	<p>I need to send over the previous flag to a listening port I created</p> <p>Use nc to create a connection in server mode to port 1234 (-p) which listens (-l) for inbound connections.</p> <p>& is used to keep the command running while executing other commands in the same terminal.</p>
Level 21 → Level 22	<pre>Exit from Bandit20: exit</pre>	

	<pre>ssh bandit21@bandit.labs.overthewire.org -p 2220 cd /etc/cron.d/ ls cat cronjob_bandit22 @reboot bandit22 /usr/bin/cronjob_bandit22.sh &> /dev/null * * * * * bandit22 /usr/bin/cronjob_bandit22.sh &> /dev/null cat /usr/bin/cronjob_bandit22.sh #!/bin/bash chmod 644 /tmp/t706lds9S0RqQh9aMcz6ShpAoZKF7fgv cat /etc/bandit_pass/bandit22 > /tmp/t706lds9S0RqQh9aMcz6ShpAoZKF7fgv cat /tmp/t706lds9S0RqQh9aMcz6ShpAoZKF7fgv</pre> <p>Flag obtained: WdDozAdTM2z9DiFEQ2mGlwngMfj4EZff</p>	<p>cronjob runs the /usr/bin/cronjob_bandit22.sh file as bandit22 user</p> <p>read the bash file</p> <p>bash file creates a file in tmp folder and gives read access to everyone (chmod 644)</p> <p>bash file then copies contents in /etc/bandit_pass/bandit22 into the created file in tmp.</p> <p>Read the file in tmp</p>
Level 22 → Level 23	<p>Exit from Bandit21: <code>exit</code></p> <pre>ssh bandit22@bandit.labs.overthewire.org -p 2220 cd /etc/cron.d/ ls cat cronjob_bandit23 cat /usr/bin/cronjob_bandit23.sh</pre>	<p>First few steps similar to previous level</p> <p>This bash file set ‘myname’ variable as bandit23 (since this bash script will be run as bandit23, whoami gives</p>

	<pre>#!/bin/bash myname=\$(whoami) mytarget=\$(echo I am user \$myname md5sum cut -d ' ' -f 1) echo "Copying passwordfile /etc/bandit_pass/\$myname to /tmp/\$mytarget" cat /etc/bandit_pass/\$myname > /tmp/\$mytarget echo I am user bandit23 md5sum cut -d ' ' -f 1 cat /tmp/8ca319486bfbbc3663ea0fbe81326349</pre> <p>Flag obtained: QYw0Y2aiA672PsMmh9puTQuhoz8SyR2G</p>	<p>bandit23).</p> <p>It also sets 'mytarget' variable as 8ca319486bfbbc3663ea0fbe81326349 (check by running the echo command and replace \$myname with bandit23)</p> <p>It then copies what is inside /etc/bandit_pass/bandit22 to tmp/ 8ca319486bfbbc3663ea0fbe81326349</p>
Level 23 → Level 24	<p>Exit from Bandit22: <code>exit</code></p> <pre>ssh bandit23@bandit.labs.overthewire.org -p 2220 ls /etc/cron.d/ cat /etc/cron.d/cronjob_bandit24 cat /usr/bin/cronjob_bandit24.sh</pre>	<p>Bash file is executed as user bandit24</p> <p>The script executes and deletes all files in the folder '/var/spool/bandit24'. (because they are created by bandit23)</p> <p>myname: bandit24</p> <p>For loop is used to iterate through all the files in the directory (*. : All files in current working directory)</p>

```
#!/bin/bash

myname=$(whoami)

cd /var/spool/$myname/foo || exit 1
echo "Executing and deleting all scripts in /var/spool/$myname/foo:"
for i in * .*;
do
    if [ "$i" != "." -a "$i" != ".." ];
    then
        echo "Handling $i"
        owner=$(stat --format "%U" ./i)
        if [ "${owner}" = "bandit23" ]; then
            timeout -s 9 60 ./i
        fi
        rm -rf ./i
    fi
done
```

```
mkdir /tmp/Agnes
```

```
cd /tmp/Agnes
```

```
nano getPass.sh
```

```
#!/bin/bash                                         cat
/etc/bandit_pass/bandit24 > /tmp/Agnes/flag
```

```
cat getPass.sh
```

```
touch flag
```

```
chmod 777 -R /tmp/Agnes
```

The first if statement makes sure the directories '.' – bandit24 and '..' -spool are ignored.

owner: information about the owner of the file

If owner is bandit23, current selected file is executed and sent the KILL signal after waiting for 60 seconds and then deleted (-s flag specifies the signal to send to, "9" is an alias for KILL command)

Need to write a script that will be executed from the bandit24 folder (get the password and save in a location that I can access)

Create a folder for my bash file.

Populate my bash file with code to copy contents from the deleted folder to the directory I just created.

Check if code is there.

Create a 'flag' file to put in the flag later.

(touch creates an empty file for use later while cat creates a file for you to immediately populate)

Gives rwx permission to all users for all files in that folder so that bandit24 can execute my script.sh and write into the flag filee

Copy the new bash script into the bandit24 folder for cron job to execute it.

After while, flag file will be populated with the password due to the execution of my script.sh

	<pre>cp getPass.sh /var/spool/bandit24/foo</pre> <pre>cat flag</pre> <p>Flag obtained: VAfGXJ1PBSsPSnvsjl8p759leLZ9GGar</p> <p><i>almost died</i></p>	
Level 24 → Level 25	<p>Exit from Bandit23: <code>exit</code></p> <pre>ssh bandit24@bandit.labs.overthewire.org -p 2220</pre> <pre>nc localhost 30002</pre> <pre>entered: VAfGXJ1PBSsPSnvsjl8p759leLZ9Ggar 0000</pre> <p><code>mkdir /tmp/Agnes</code> (file exists from previous level)</p> <pre>cd /tmp/Agnes</pre> <pre>nano script25.sh</pre> <pre>#!/bin/bash ></pre> <pre>prevFlag = 'VAfGXJ1PBSsPSnvsjl8p759leLZ9GGar'</pre> <pre>for first in {0..9}</pre>	<p>I am the pincode checker for user bandit25. Please enter the password for user bandit24 and the secret pincode on a single line, separated by a space.</p> <p>Wrong! Please enter the correct current password. Try again.</p> <p>Seems like I need to create a bash script to help me do this for all 10000 combinations of the pincode.</p> <p><i>I want to die</i></p>

```
do
    for second in {0..9}
        do
            for third in {0..9}
                do
                    for fourth in {0..9}
                        do
                            pin = "$first" + "$second" + "$third" + "$fourth"
                            submit = prevFlag + " " + pin
                        done
                    done
                done
            done
        done
```

for i in {0000..9999} → do this instead

Flag obtained:

Level 24 → Level 25

Exit from Bandit23: **exit**

"I am the pincode checker for user bandit25. Please enter the password for user bandit24 and the secret pincode on

	<pre>ssh bandit24@bandit.labs.overthewire.org -p 2220 nc localhost 30002 entered: VAfGXJ1PBSsPSnvsjI8p759leLZ9GGar 0000 mkdir /tmp/Agnes (file exists from previous level) cd /tmp/Agnes nano script25.sh for i in {0000 .. 9999} do echo "VAfGXJ1PBSsPSnvsjI8p759leLZ9GGar \$i" done nc localhost 30002 ./script25.sh chmod +x script25.sh ./script25.sh for i in {0000..9999}; do echo "VAfGXJ1PBSsPSnvsjI8p759leLZ9GGar \$i"; done nc localhost 30002</pre> <p>Flag obtained: p7TaowMYrmu23Ol8hiZh9UvD0O9hpx8d</p>	<p>a single line, separated by a space."</p> <p>Wrong! Please enter the correct current password. Try again.</p> <p>Seems like I need to create a bash script to help me do this for all 10000 combinations of the pin code.</p> <p>My bash script code.</p> <p>Permission denied, need to grant execute permission.</p> <p>Grant permission to execute.</p> <p>Execute bash script (the code gets stuck after a while dk why)</p> <p>Did this instead and worked (but it's the same code leh 😞)</p>
Level 25 → Level 26	<p>Exit from Bandit24: <code>exit</code></p> <pre>ssh bandit25@bandit.labs.overthewire.org -p 2220</pre>	There is a ssh key I can use to log into bandit26.

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ls
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ssh bandit26@bandit.labs.overthewire.org -i bandit26.sshkey -p 2220
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cat /etc/passwd (too many lines)
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grep "bandit26" /etc/passwd
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bandit26:x:11026:11026:bandit level 26:/home/bandit26:/usr/bin/showtext
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cat /usr/bin/showtext
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#!/bin/sh  
  
export TERM=linux  
  
exec more ~/text.txt  
exit 0
```

In vim mode,

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:set shell=/bin/bash
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:shell
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s
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whoami
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cat /etc/bandit_pass/bandit26
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Flag Obtained: c7GvcKlw9mC7aUQaPx7nwFstuAlBw1o1

Seems like I am immediately logged out after logging in.

I need to find out where is the default shell for bandit26 (<https://www.baeldung.com/linux/find-current-shell>)

The default shell is /usr/bin/showtext

The more command is used to display the contents of a file one screenful at a time.

In this case, the text shown is very short and more finishes executing and the next line exit 0 executes which logs me out of bandit26.

Solution here is to set the terminal window size small so that more does not execute finish instantly.

With that, before more reaches 100%, I press 'V' to enter vim mode.

Using vim, I can set the shell to the normal /bin/bash and launch the bash shell

(<https://superuser.com/questions/287994/how-to-specify-shell-for-vim>)

Successfully inside bandit26

Get the flag for bandit26

Level 26 → Level 27	<p>Continue from bandit26 (already logged in)</p> <pre>ls ls -l ./bandit27-do cat /etc/bandit_pass/bandit27</pre> <p>Flag Obtained: YnQpBuifNMas1hcUFk70ZmqkhUU2EuaS</p>	<p>Binary file bandit27-do is owned by bandit27 and its SETUID bit is set.</p> <p>Meaning if we execute this file together with other commands, we are running those commands as bandit27.</p>
Level 27 → Level 28	<p>Exit from Bandit26: <code>exit</code></p> <pre>ssh bandit27@bandit.labs.overthewire.org -p 2220 cd /tmp/Agnes git clone ssh://bandit27-git@localhost/home/bandit27-git/repo git clone ssh://bandit27-git@localhost:2220/home/bandit27-git/repo ls cd repo cat README</pre> <p>Flag Obtained: AVanL161y9rsbcJlsFHuw35rjaOM19nR</p>	<p>I should be in a directory that I have permission to create and populate files.</p> <p>Permission denied error due to unknown host (dk why, googled the error)</p> <p>Specified the host manually (https://stackoverflow.com/questions/74289381/trying-to-pass-bandit-level-27-on-overthewire-org-git-clone-not-working)</p>
Level 28 → Level 29	<p>Exit from Bandit27: <code>exit</code></p> <pre>ssh bandit28@bandit.labs.overthewire.org -p 2220</pre>	<p>Same steps as previous level</p>

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cd /tmp/Agnes
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git clone ssh://bandit28-git@localhost:2220/home/bandit28-git/repo
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cd repo
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cat README.md
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# Bandit Notes  
Some notes for level29 of bandit.  
  
## credentials  
  
- username: bandit29  
- password: XXXXXXXXXXXX
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git log
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Author: Morla Porla <morla@overthewire.org>  
Date: Sun Apr 23 18:04:39 2023 +0000  
  
    fix info leak  
  
commit abcff758fa6343a0d002a1c0add1ad8c71b88534  
Author: Morla Porla <morla@overthewire.org>  
Date: Sun Apr 23 18:04:39 2023 +0000  
  
    add missing data  
  
commit c0a8c3cf093fba65f4ee0e1fe2a530b799508c78  
Author: Ben Dover <noone@overthewire.org>  
Date: Sun Apr 23 18:04:39 2023 +0000  
  
    initial commit of README.md
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git show 899ba88df296331cc01f30d022c006775d467f28
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Password censored or smth (knew it -_- *sighs*)

Past versions of the file may have the uncensored passwords. Look into git history.

Check past commits.

“fix info leak” might be to censor the password so means previous version of this fix has the viewable password.

Want to see the file before that commit was made.

(Commit: red to green)

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commit 899ba88df296331cc01f30d022c006775d467f28 (HEAD → master, origin
n/HEAD)
Author: Morla Porla <morla@overthewire.org>
Date: Sun Apr 23 18:04:39 2023 +0000

    fix info leak

diff --git a/README.md b/README.md
index b302105 .. 5c6457b 100644
--- a/README.md
+++ b/README.md
@@ -4,5 +4,5 @@ Some notes for level29 of bandit.
## credentials

- username: bandit29
-- password: tQKvmcwNYcFS6vmPHIUSI3ShmsrQZK8S
+- password: xxxxxxxxxxxx

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Flag Obtained: tQKvmcwNYcFS6vmPHIUSI3ShmsrQZK8S

Level 29 → Level 30

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Exit from Bandit28: exit

ssh bandit29@bandit.labs.overthewire.org -p 2220

mkdir git29

cd git29/

git clone ssh://bandit29-git@localhost:2220/home/bandit29-git/repo

cd repo

cat README.md

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Same steps as previous level

“production” tells me that there might be branches that are involved in version control.

	<pre># Bandit Notes Some notes for bandit30 of bandit. ## credentials - username: bandit30 - password: <no passwords in production!></pre> <pre>git branch -a</pre> <pre>git checkout remotes/origin/dev</pre> <pre>ls</pre> <pre>cat README.md</pre> <p>Flag Obtained: xbhV3HpNGITldnjUrdAlPzc2L6y9EOnS</p>	<p>Show all branches</p> <p>https://www.atlassian.com/git/tutorials/using-branches/git-checkout</p>
Level 30 → Level 31	<pre>Exit from Bandit29: exit</pre> <pre>ssh bandit30@bandit.labs.overthewire.org -p 2220</pre> <pre>cd /tmp/Agnes</pre> <pre>mkdir git30</pre> <pre>cd git30</pre> <pre>git clone ssh://bandit30-git@localhost:2220/home/bandit30-git/repo</pre> <pre>cd repo</pre> <pre>cat README.md</pre> <pre>git log</pre>	<p>Same steps as previous level</p> <p>“just an empty file... muahaha” (zzz)</p>

	<pre>git branch -a</pre> <pre>git tag</pre> <pre>git show secret</pre> Flag Obtained: OoffzGDlzhAlerFJ2cAiz1D41JW1Mhmt	<p>No commits or branches of interest...</p> <p>Tags are ref's that point to specific points in Git history. Tagging is generally used to capture a point in history that is used for a marked version release (https://www.atlassian.com/git/tutorials/inspecting-a-repository/git-tag)</p> <p>There is a secret file.</p>
Level 31 → Level 32	<p>Exit from Bandit30: <code>exit</code></p> <pre>ssh bandit31@bandit.labs.overthewire.org -p 2220</pre> <pre>cd /tmp</pre> <pre>mkdir Agnes</pre> <pre>cd Agnes</pre> <pre>git clone ssh://bandit31-git@localhost:2220/home/bandit31-git/repo</pre> <pre>cd repo</pre> <pre>cat README.md</pre> <pre>This time your task is to push a file to the remote repository.</pre> <pre>Details:</pre> <pre>File name: key.txt</pre> <pre>Content: 'May I come in?'</pre> <pre>Branch: master</pre> <pre>cat >> key.txt</pre> <pre>May I come in?</pre> <pre>ls -l -a</pre>	<p>Same steps as previous level</p> <p>Need to create a file called key.txt with contents: "May I come in?"</p>

	<pre>cat .gitignore</pre> <pre>git add -f key.txt</pre> <pre>git commit</pre> <pre>git push</pre> Flag Obtained: rmCBvG56y58BXzv98yZGdO7ATVL5dW8y	.gitignore lists all file type that git will not push to the repository. In this case, .txt files. I need to use -f flag to force add txt files Commit changes
Level 32 → Level 33	Exit from Bandit31: exit ssh bandit32@bandit.labs.overthewire.org -p 2220 ls pwd sh: 1: PWD: Permission denied \$SHELL \$0 whoami cat /etc/bandit_pass/bandit33 Flag Obtained: odHo63fHiFqcWWJG9rLiLDtPm45KzUKy	sh: bourne shell Typing simple commands like ls can't work here. Seems like any commands I type turns into uppercase. Positional arguments are denoted by \$0, \$1, \$2 ... (https://www.in-ulm.de/~mascheck/bourne/v7/) \$0 is sh “WELCOME TO THE UPPERCASE SHELL”. Need to switch to bourne shell aka sh which is at position 0 Shows that I am user bandit33 which means I can cat into the password file.

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