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Backstory

One day I was on site with client and was tasked with assessing an application for them. This was troubling for two reasons: 1.) This was my first on site assessment and 2.) due to the nature of the client I was tasked to work with my little visit there required full supervision, which meant that my primary point of contact (POC) watched over my shoulder as I worked on this application for about 4 or so hours.

On top of this I wasn't working from my work laptop which was full of hack tools and con-booting this machine wasn't necessarily in scope. Needless to say it was a tad bit nerve wrecking also considering the fact that this thing was LOCKED down in terms of being able to access any of the underlying Windows functionality; Or so I thought!

Hacking

So after spending a bunch of time poking around on this thing I noticed that `ctrl+alt+delete` worked which brought up the screen below:

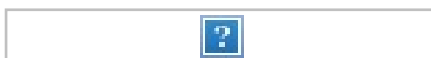


Image of Windows 7 lock options

From playing around in the past in the past and partially out of desperation I decided to open up the infamous `on Screen Keyboard` in hopes that this thing would give me additional Windows options:

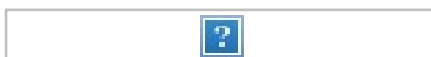


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