Question: Gradient sky is a beginner level ctf challenge which is aimed towards rookies.

File provided: sky.jpg

Solution: Usually for easy challs with an image, the flag can be viewed if you just open the image with an editor. Easier way is to use the strings command to print all the strings in the image.

cryptal-clear@kali:~/Documents/CTFs/csivitCTF/Forensics/gradiant_sky\$ strings sky.jpg | grep csictf
csictf{j0ker_w4snt_happy}

Flag:csictf{j0ker_w4snt_happy}