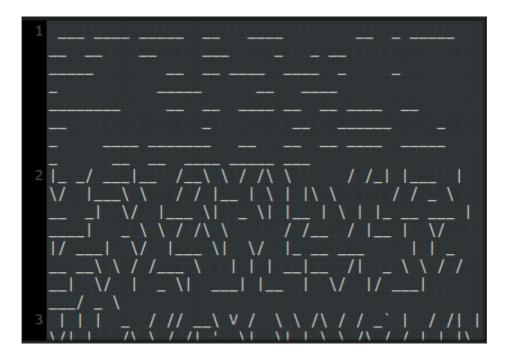
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bass64

Description

*"It, uh... looks like someone bass-boosted this? Can you make any sense of it?"

We get a file, bass64 to download. When we open it, we see:



It looks like a number of ascii characters but not not in any particular sequence. What is noticeable is that the line numbers on the left indicate that we are seeing the characters bunched up.

If we extend the notepad across the screens we actually see the ascii change and become letters.



From here we copy the newly shaped letters, and using base64 (from the challenge header) we get the flag.

\$echo "IGZsYWd7MzVhNWQxM2RhNmEyYWZhMGM2MmJMY2JkZDYzMDFhMGF9" | base64 -d flag {35a5d13da6a2afa0c62bLcbdd6301a0a}

Flag:

flag{35a5d13da6a2afa0c62bLcbdd6301a0a}