



# Cybersecurity

## Project 1 Hardening Summary and Checklist

### OS Information

Customer	Baker Street Corporation
Hostname	<u>Baker_Street_Linux_Server</u>
OS Version	<u>Ubuntu 22.04.5 LTS</u>
Memory information	<u>Total: 15gi, Used:1.5gi, Free: 8.3gi, Shared 200mi, buff/cache: 5.6gi, Available: 13gi</u>
Uptime information	<u>2:11:52 up 49 min, 0 users, load average: 1.27, 1.24, 0.91</u>

### Checklist

Completed	Activity	Script(s) used / Tasks completed / Screenshots
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	OS backup	<p>This is the command I used to create a backup.</p> <pre>tar -cvpzf /baker_street_backup.tar.gz --exclude=/baker_street_backup.tar.gz --exclude=/proc --exclude=/tmp --exclude=/mnt --exclude=/sys --exclude=/dev --exclude=/run / root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server baker_street_backup.tar.gz  bi root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server ..</pre>

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<p>Auditing users and groups</p>	<p>Went through and used the userdel -r username command to delete all the terminated employees and their home directories.</p> <pre>12 directories, 71 files root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# passwd -l moriarty passwd: password expiry information changed. root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# userdel -r lestrade userdel: lestrade mail spool (/var/mail/lestrade) not found root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# ls adler gregson irene mary moriarty mrs_hudson mycroft sherlock sysadmin toby watson root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# userdel -r irene userdel: irene mail spool (/var/mail/irene) not found root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# userdel -r irene userdel: 'irene' does not exist root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# ls adler gregson mary moriarty mrs_hudson mycroft sherlock sysadmin toby watson root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# passwd -l mrs_hudson passwd: password expiry information changed. root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# userdel -r mary userdel: mary mail spool (/var/mail/mary) not found root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# ls adler moriarty mrs_hudson mycroft sherlock sysadmin toby watson root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# userdel -r gregson userdel: gregson mail spool (/var/mail/gregson) not found root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# ls adler moriarty mrs_hudson mycroft sherlock sysadmin toby watson root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home#</pre> <p>I used the command getent group to see what groups are on the system. I noticed that there was no one in the marketing group so I used the command groupdel marketing. Then I used the command groupadd research to make that group anyway.</p> <pre>sambashare:x:111: sherlock:x:1000: watson:x:1001: moriarty:x:1002: mycroft:x:1003: irene:x:1004: lestrade:x:1005: mrs_hudson:x:1006: mary:x:1007: sysadmin:x:1008: gregson:x:1009: toby:x:1010: adler:x:1011: engineering:x:1012:sherlock,watson,moriarty finance:x:1013:mrs_hudson,mary,gregson marketing:x:1014:</pre> <pre>root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# groupadd research root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home#</pre> <pre>finance:x:1013:mary research:x:1014:adler,toby</pre> <p>Then I used the usermod -U on sherlock, watson, mycroft and unlocked them. I had to set passwords for toby and adler in order to unlock those accounts. Then I used the command usermod -L on moriarty and mrs_hudson to lock those accounts.</p>
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		<pre> root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# usermod -L mrs_hudson root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# usermod -U sherlock root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# usermod -U watson root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# usermod -U mycroft root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# usermod -L moriarty root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# usermod -U toby root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# usermod -U adler usermod: unlocking the user's password would result in a passwordless account. You should set a password with usermod -p to unlock this user's password. root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# passwd -S adler adler L 12/12/2024 0 99999 7 -1 root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# passwd adler New password: Retype new password: Sorry, passwords do not match. passwd: Authentication token manipulation error passwd: password unchanged root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# passwd adler New password: Retype new password: passwd: password updated successfully root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# usermod -U adler root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# passwd -S adler adler P 02/25/2025 0 99999 7 -1 root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# passwd -S sherlock sherlock P 02/25/2025 0 99999 7 -1 root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# passwd -S watson watson P 02/25/2025 0 99999 7 -1 root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# passwd -S mycroft mycroft P 02/25/2025 0 99999 7 -1 root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# passwd -S toby toby P 02/25/2025 0 99999 7 -1 root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# passwd -S mrs_hudson mrs_hudson L 12/12/2024 0 99999 7 -1 root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# passwd -S moriarty moriarty L 02/25/2025 0 99999 7 -1 root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# </pre>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Updating and enforcing password policies	I opened nano /etc/pam.d/common-password to edit the password permissions. According to the Activity guide there wasn't a password requisite pam_pwquality.so. I did some research and everything I found told me to add it to the pam_unix.so line. So this is what I added. <pre> # pam-auth-update(8) configuration file for common password modules. See # pam-auth-update(8) for details.  # here are the per-package modules (the "Primary" block) password [success=1 default=ignore]      pam_unix.so obscure yescrypt minlen=8 ocrediet=-1 ucredit=-1 retry=3 password [failure=1 no module succeeds]    pam_deny.so password requisite                      pam_env.so </pre>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Updating and enforcing sudo permissions	I did notice that Toby and adler had no group so in order to get more practice with visudo, and permissions I added them to the research group. Then added permissions for the /tmp/scripts/research group. <pre> research:x:1014:toby,adler </pre> <pre> @includedir /etc/sudoers.d sherlock ALL=(ALL) NOPASSWD:ALL watson ALL=(ALL) NOPASSWD: /var/log/logcleanup.sh moriarty ALL=(ALL) NOPASSWD: /var/log/logcleanup.sh adler ALL=(ALL) NOPASSWD: /tmp/scripts/research_script.sh toby ALL=(ALL) NOPASSWD: /tmp/scripts/research_script.sh </pre>



Validating and updating permissions on files and directories

This one took me a while to figure out. BUT I think I got it.

First I checked who was in what group. Then I used the tree command to see what was in each person's directory

```
|-- adler
|   |-- Engineering_script.sh_0.txt
|   |-- Engineering_script.sh_3.txt
|   |-- Engineering_script.sh_script1.sh
|   |-- Engineering_script.sh_script2.sh
|   |-- deduction.doc_2.txt
|   `-- game_is_afoot.txt_1.txt
|-- moriarty
|   |-- Finance_script.sh_0.txt
|   |-- Finance_script.sh_2.txt
|   |-- elementary.txt_1.txt
|   |-- game_is_afoot.txt_3.txt
|   |-- game_is_afoot.txt_script1.sh
|   |-- game_is_afoot.txt_script2.sh
|   `-- my_file.txt
|-- mrs_hudson
|   |-- Engineering_script.sh_1.txt
|   |-- deduction.doc_0.txt
|   |-- deduction.doc_2.txt
|   |-- elementary.txt_3.txt
|   |-- elementary.txt_script1.sh
|   `-- elementary.txt_script2.sh
`--
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└─ mycroft
    |-- Engineering_script.sh_0.txt
    |-- Finance_script.sh_3.txt
    |-- Finance_script.sh_script1.sh
    |-- Finance_script.sh_script2.sh
    |-- deduction.doc_1.txt
    '-- deduction.doc_2.txt
-- sherlock
    |-- deduction.doc_3.txt
    |-- deduction.doc_script1.sh
    |-- deduction.doc_script2.sh
    |-- elementary.txt_0.txt
    |-- game_is_afoot.txt_1.txt
    '-- game_is_afoot.txt_2.txt
    '-- my_file.txt
-- sysadmin
-- toby
    |-- Engineering_script.sh_2.txt
    |-- deduction.doc_1.txt
    |-- elementary.txt_0.txt
    '-- elementary.txt_3.txt
    |-- elementary.txt_script1.sh
    '-- elementary.txt_script2.sh
-- watson
    |-- Finance_script.sh_3.txt
    |-- Finance_script.sh_script1.sh
    '-- Finance_script.sh_script2.sh
    |-- deduction.doc_0.txt
    |-- deduction.doc_1.txt
    '-- deduction.doc_2.txt
    '-- my_file.txt

```

Then I used the find command to find all the files with world permissions in the home directory.

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find unknown processes -perm -o+rx
root@baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# find /home -type f \(\-perm -o+r -o-wm -o-perm -o-wm -o-perm -o+rx\) -ls
4388774 4 -rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 46 Feb 26 16:01 /home/adler/Engineering_script.sh.script1.sh
3944903 4 ---x-r-x-r-x 1 root root 49 Dec 12 07:45 /home/sherlock/deduction.doc.script1.sh
3944904 4 ---x-r-x-r-x 1 root root 49 Dec 12 07:45 /home/sherlock/deduction.doc.script2.sh
3944745 4 -rwxr--r-- 1 watson watson 3771 Jan 6 2022 /home/watson/.bash_logout
3944744 4 -rwxr--r-- 1 watson watson 220 Jan 6 2022 /home/watson/.bashrc
3944746 4 -rwxr--r-- 1 watson watson 867 Jan 6 2022 /home/watson/.profile
3944910 4 -rwxr--r-- 1 root root 47 Dec 12 07:45 /home/watson/Finance_script.sh.script2.sh
3944909 4 -rwxr--r-- 1 root root 47 Dec 12 07:45 /home/watson/Finance_script.sh.script1.sh
3944857 0 -rwxr--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 /home/watson/Finance_script.sh_3.txt
3944863 0 -rwxr--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 /home/watson/my_file.txt
3944861 0 -rwxr--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 /home/watson/deduction.doc_1.txt
3944862 0 -rwxr--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 /home/watson/deduction.doc_2.txt
3944860 0 -rwxr--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 /home/watson/deduction.doc_0.txt
3944721 4 -rwxr--r-- 1 moriarty moriarty 3771 Jan 6 2022 /home/moriarty/.bashrc
3944720 4 -rwxr--r-- 1 moriarty moriarty 220 Jan 6 2022 /home/moriarty/.bash_logout
3944722 4 -rwxr--r-- 1 moriarty moriarty 807 Jan 6 2022 /home/moriarty/.profile
3944723 4 -rwxr--r-- 1 root root 47 Dec 12 07:45 /home/moriarty/game_is_afoot.txt.script2.sh
3944894 4 -rwxr--r-- 1 root root 49 Dec 12 07:45 /home/moriarty/game_is_afoot.txt.script1.sh
3944921 0 -rwxr--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 /home/moriarty/Finance_script.sh_2.txt
3944826 0 -rwxr--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 /home/moriarty/Finance_script.sh
3944822 0 -rwxr--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 /home/moriarty/elementary.txt_1.txt
3944823 0 -rwxr--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 /home/moriarty/game_is_afoot.txt_3.txt
3944820 0 -rwxr--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 /home/moriarty/Finance_script.sh_0.txt
3944729 4 -rwxr--r-- 1 mycroft mycroft 3771 Jan 6 2022 /home/mycroft/.bashrc

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3944728 4 -rw-r--r-- 1 mycroft mycroft 228 Jan 6 2022 /home/mycroft/.bash_logout
3944730 4 -rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 867 Jan 6 2022 /home/mycroft/Finance_script.sh
3944901 4 -rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 48 Dec 12 07:45 /home/mycroft/Finance_script.sh.script2.sh
3944900 4 -rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 48 Dec 12 07:45 /home/mycroft/Finance_script.sh.script1.sh
3944836 0 -rw-r--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 /home/mycroft/Finance_script.sh.0.txt
3944835 0 -rw-r--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 /home/mycroft/Engineering_script.sh.0.txt
3944839 0 -rw-r--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 /home/mycroft/deduction.doc.1.txt
3944840 0 -rw-r--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 /home/mycroft/deduction.doc.2.txt
3944841 4 -rwxr-xr-x 1 toby toby 277 Jan 6 2022 /home/toby/.bash_logout
3944748 4 -rwxr-xr-x 1 toby toby 239 Jan 6 2022 /home/toby/.profile
3944742 4 -rwxr-xr-x 1 toby toby 807 Jan 6 2022 /home/toby/.profile
3944907 [ 4 -rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 45 Dec 12 07:45 /home/toby/elementary.txt.script2.sh
3944906 4 -rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 45 Dec 12 07:45 /home/toby/elementary.txt.script1.sh
3944853 0 -rw-r--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 /home/toby/elementary.txt.3.txt
3944852 0 -rw-r--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 /home/toby/elementary.txt.0.txt
3944850 0 -rw-r--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 /home/toby/Engineering_script.sh.2.txt
3944851 0 -rw-r--r-- 1 root root 3771 Jan 6 2022 /home/toby/deduction.doc.1.txt
3944725 4 -rwxr-xr-x 1 mrs_hudson mrs_hudson 3791 Jan 6 2022 /home/mrs_hudson/.bash_logout
3944724 4 -rwxr-xr-x 1 mrs_hudson mrs_hudson 239 Jan 6 2022 /home/mrs_hudson/.bash_logout
3944726 4 -rwxr-xr-x 1 mrs_hudson mrs_hudson 807 Jan 6 2022 /home/mrs_hudson/.profile
3944898 4 -rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 51 Dec 12 07:45 /home/mrs_hudson/elementary.txt.script2.sh
3944897 4 -rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 51 Dec 12 07:45 /home/mrs_hudson/elementary.txt.script1.sh
3944831 0 -rw-r--r-- 1 root root 51 Dec 12 07:45 /home/mrs_hudson/elementary.txt.3.txt
3944838 0 -rw-r--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 /home/mrs_hudson/Engineering_script.sh.1.txt
3944830 0 -rw-r--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 /home/mrs_hudson/deduction.doc.1.txt
3944829 0 -rw-r--r-- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 /home/mrs_hudson/deduction.doc.2.txt
3944736 4 -rwxr-xr-- 1 sysadmin sysadmin 3771 Jan 6 2022 /home/sysadmin/.bashrc
3944735 4 -rwxr-xr-- 1 sysadmin sysadmin 220 Jan 6 2022 /home/sysadmin/.bash_logout
3944738 4 -rwxr-xr-- 1 sysadmin sysadmin 807 Jan 6 2022 /home/sysadmin/.profile

```

To verify I ran the find command again as shown below.

```

root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# find /home -type f \(-perm -o=r -o=perm -o=w -o=perm -o=x \) -exec chmod o-rwx {} +
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home#

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root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# chmod -R a-rwx /home/toby
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# ls -l
total 60
d----- 1 adler adler 4096 Feb 26 21:18 adler
d----- 1 moriarty moriarty 4096 Dec 12 07:45 moriarty
d----- 1 mrs_hudson mrs_hudson 4096 Dec 12 07:45 mrs_hudson
d----- 1 mycroft mycroft 4096 Dec 12 07:45 mycroft
d----- 2 sherlock sherlock 4096 Feb 26 21:17 sherlock
drwxr-x--- 1 sysadmin sysadmin 4096 Dec 12 07:45 sysadmin
d----- 1 toby toby 4096 Dec 12 07:45 toby
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# chmod -R a-rwx /home/watson
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# ls -l
total 60
j----- 1 adler adler 4096 Feb 26 21:18 adler
j----- 1 moriarty moriarty 4096 Dec 12 07:45 moriarty
j----- 1 mrs_hudson mrs_hudson 4096 Dec 12 07:45 mrs_hudson
j----- 1 mycroft mycroft 4096 Dec 12 07:45 mycroft
j----- 2 sherlock sherlock 4096 Feb 26 21:17 sherlock
jrwxr-x--- 1 sysadmin sysadmin 4096 Dec 12 07:45 sysadmin
j----- 1 toby toby 4096 Dec 12 07:45 toby
j----- 1 watson watson 4096 Feb 26 21:18 watson
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home/watson# chmod +x Finance_script.sh.script1.sh Finance_script.sh.script2.sh
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home/watson# ls -l
total 8
----- 1 root finance 0 Dec 12 07:45 Finance_script.sh.3.txt
----- 1 root finance 47 Dec 12 07:45 Finance_script.sh.script1.sh
----- 1 root finance 47 Dec 12 07:45 Finance_script.sh.script2.sh

```

Then used the find command to find scripts with engineering and finance in the filename.

```

root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# find /home -type f -iname "*engineering*"
/home/adler/Engineering_script.sh.script1.sh
/home/adler/Engineering_script.sh.0.txt
/home/adler/Engineering_script.sh.3.txt
/home/adler/Engineering_script.sh.script2.sh
/home/mycroft/Engineering_script.sh.0.txt
/home/toby/Engineering_script.sh.2.txt
/home/mrs_hudson/Engineering_script.sh.1.txt
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# find /home -type f -iname "*finance*"
/home/moriarty/Finance_script.sh.2.txt
/home/moriarty/Finance_script.sh.0.txt
/home/mycroft/Finance_script.sh.3.txt
/home/mycroft/Finance_script.sh.script1.sh
/home/watson/Finance_script.sh.3.txt
/home/watson/Finance_script.sh.script2.sh
/home/watson/Finance_script.sh.script1.sh

```

There wasn't any scripts with research in the home directory but I did find a research script in the tmp directory

```

root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# find /tmp -type f -iname "**research**"
tmp/scripts/research_script.sh

```

Then I ran chown :groupname scriptname.sh to

change ownership of the scripts

```
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home/adler# ls -l /home/sherlock | grep "engineering"
-rwx--x--- 1 root engineering 46 Feb 26 16:01 Engineering_script.sh_script1.sh
---x--x--x 1 root engineering 46 Feb 26 16:00 Engineering_script.sh_script2.sh
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home/adler# ls -l /home | grep "engineering"
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home/adler# ls -l /home/watson | grep "fianace"
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home/adler# ls -l /home/watson | grep "fianance"
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home/adler# ls -l /home/watson | grep "finance"
----- 1 root finance 0 Dec 12 07:45 Finance_script.sh_3.txt
----- 1 root finance 47 Dec 12 07:45 Finance_script.sh_script1.sh
----- 1 root finance 47 Dec 12 07:45 Finance_script.sh_script2.sh
```

Then I used the mv and cp commands to move scripts to the proper directories then I used the tree command to verify.

```
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home#
tree
-- adler
    |-- Engineering_script.sh_0.txt
    |-- Engineering_script.sh_3.txt
    |-- deduction.doc_2.txt
    |-- game_is_afoot.txt_1.txt
    `-- research_script.sh
-- moriarty
    |-- Engineering_script.sh_script1.
    |-- Engineering_script.sh_script2.
    |-- Finance_script.sh_0.txt
    |-- Finance_script.sh_2.txt
    |-- elementary.txt_1.txt
    |-- game_is_afoot.txt_3.txt
    |-- game_is_afoot.txt_script1.sh
    |-- game_is_afoot.txt_script2.sh
    `-- my_file.txt
-- mrs_hudson
    |-- Engineering_script.sh_1.txt
    |-- Finance_script.sh_script1.sh
    |-- Finance_script.sh_script2.sh
    |-- deduction.doc_0.txt
    |-- deduction.doc_2.txt
    |-- elementary.txt_3.txt
    |-- elementary.txt_script1.sh
    `-- elementary.txt_script2.sh
```

```

mycroft
|-- Engineering_script.sh_0.txt
|-- Finance_script.sh_3.txt
|-- Finance_script.sh_script1.sh
|-- Finance_script.sh_script2.sh
|-- deduction.doc_1.txt
`-- deduction.doc_2.txt
sherlock
|-- Engineering_script.sh_script1.sh
|-- Engineering_script.sh_script2.sh
|-- deduction.doc_3.txt
|-- deduction.doc_script1.sh
`-- deduction.doc_script2.sh
|-- elementary.txt_0.txt
|-- game_is_afoot.txt_1.txt
`-- game_is_afoot.txt_2.txt
`-- my_file.txt
sysadmin
toby
|-- Engineering_script.sh_2.txt
|-- deduction.doc_1.txt
|-- elementary.txt_0.txt
|-- elementary.txt_3.txt
|-- elementary.txt_script1.sh
`-- elementary.txt_script2.sh
`-- research_script.sh
watson
|-- Engineering_script.sh_script1.sh
|-- Engineering_script.sh_script2.sh
|-- Finance_script.sh_3.txt
|-- deduction.doc_0.txt
|-- deduction.doc_1.txt
`-- deduction.doc_2.txt
`-- my_file.txt

```

And last but not least i changed permissions to each group

```

root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home# find /home -type f -iname "*engineering*" -exec chmod 770 {} +
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home/moriarty# ls -l
total 16
-rwxrwx--- 1 root engineering 46 Feb 27 00:54 Engineering_script.sh_script1.sh
-rwxrwx--- 1 root engineering 46 Feb 27 00:54 Engineering_script.sh_script2.sh
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home/watson# ls -l
total 8
-rwxrwx--- 1 root root 46 Feb 27 00:42 Engineering_script.sh_script1.sh
-rwxrwx--- 1 root root 46 Feb 27 00:42 Engineering_script.sh_script2.sh
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home/watson# cd /home/adler
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home/adler# ls -l
total 0
----- 1 root engineering 0 Dec 12 07:45 Engineering_script.sh_0.txt
----- 1 root engineering 0 Dec 12 07:45 Engineering_script.sh_3.txt
----- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 deduction.doc_2.txt
----- 1 root root 0 Dec 12 07:45 game_is_afoot.txt_1.txt
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root research 0 Feb 27 00:45 research_script.sh

```

		<pre>toby@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home/toby# cd /home/toby root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home/toby# ls -l total 8 ----- 1 root engineering 0 Dec 12 07:45 Engineering_script.sh_2.txt ----- 1 root root      0 Dec 12 07:45 deduction.doc_1.txt ----- 1 root root      0 Dec 12 07:45 elementary.txt_0.txt ----- 1 root root      0 Dec 12 07:45 elementary.txt_3.txt ----- 1 root root      45 Dec 12 07:45 elementary.txt_script1.sh ----- 1 root root      45 Dec 12 07:45 elementary.txt_script2.sh -rwxr-xr-x 1 root research   0 Feb 26 20:51 research_script.sh  root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home/mrs_hudson# ls -l total 16 ----- 1 root engineering 0 Dec 12 07:45 Engineering_script.sh_1.txt -rwxrwx--- 1 root finance   47 Dec 12 07:45 Finance_script.sh_script1.sh -rwxrwx--- 1 root finance   47 Dec 12 07:45 Finance_script.sh_script2.sh  root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home/sherlock# ls -l total 16 -rwxrwx--- 1 root engineering 46 Feb 26 16:01 Engineering_script.sh_script1.sh -rwxrwx--- 1 root engineering 46 Feb 26 16:00 Engineering_script.sh_script2.sh</pre> <p>Mycroft also didn't have a group so I added them to research.</p> <pre>root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home/mycroft# ls -l total 0 ----- 1 root engineering 0 Dec 12 07:45 Engineering_script.sh_0.txt ----- 1 root finance    0 Dec 12 07:45 Finance_script.sh_3.txt ----- 1 root root       0 Dec 12 07:45 deduction.doc_1.txt ----- 1 root root       0 Dec 12 07:45 deduction.doc_2.txt -rwxr-xr-x 1 root research   0 Feb 27 01:34 research_script.sh</pre> <p>Then I updated visudo</p> <pre># See sudoers(5) for more information on "@include" directives  @includedir /etc/sudoers.d sherlock ALL=(ALL) NOPASSWD:ALL watson ALL=(ALL) NOPASSWD: /var/log/logcleanup.sh moriarty ALL=(ALL) NOPASSWD: /var/log/logcleanup.sh adler ALL=(ALL) NOPASSWD: /tmp/scripts/research_script.sh toby ALL=(ALL) NOPASSWD: /tmp/scripts/research_script.sh mycroft ALL=(ALL) NOPASSWD: /tmp/scripts/research_script.sh</pre> <p>I hope I don't get docked for adding people into the research group. It was a lot of fun to get the practice in.</p>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Optional: Updating password hashing configuration	<p>I ran the command cat etc/shadow   grep root and it gave me this output</p> <pre>root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# cat etc/shadow   grep root root:*:19977:0:99999:7:::</pre> <p>I went into nano and found this line,</p> <pre># NOTE: it is recommended to # the PAM modules configurati # # ENCRYPT_METHOD SHA512 # #</pre> <p>When I was researching how to do this it said to change it to YESCRYPT for stronger security. So I did,</p> <p>You can also update it through the /etc/pam.d/common-password file as well.</p>

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<p>Auditing and securing SSH</p>	<p>I ran the command nano /etc/ssh/sshd_config. I found the line that says PermitEmptyPasswords yes and I changed it to no.</p> <pre># To disable tunneled clear #PasswordAuthentication yes PermitEmptyPasswords no</pre> <p><b># Change to yes to enable ch</b></p> <p>Then I found the line that says PermitRootLogin yes and I changed it to no.</p> <pre>#LoginGraceTime 2m PermitRootLogin no #StrictModes yes #MaxAuthTries 6 #MaxSessions 10  #PubkeyAuthentication yes</pre> <p>I found the line that said port 22 and it uncommented it.</p> <pre>include /etc/ssh/sshd_config  Port 22 #AddressFamily any #ListenAddress 0.0.0.0 #ListenAddress ::  #HostKey /etc/ssh/ssh_host_dsa_key #HostKey /etc/ssh/ssh_host_ecdsa_key #HostKey /etc/ssh/ssh_host_rsa_key</pre> <p>I found additional ports and I commented them in</p> <pre>#      AllowTcpForwarding yes #      PermitTTY no #      ForceCommand cvs Port 2222 Port 2223 Port 2224 Port 2225</pre>
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		<pre>#      X11Forwarding #      AllowTcpForwarding #      PermitTTY #      ForceCommand #Port 2222 #Port 2223 #Port 2224 #Port 2225 Protocol 1 AllowUsers sherlock</pre> <p>I found the line that said protocol one and I changed it to:</p> <pre>#Port 2225 Protocol 2 AllowUsers sherlock</pre> <p>Then I restarted the ssh with these changes</p> <pre>root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# service ssh restart * Restarting OpenBSD Secure Shell server sshd</pre>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Reviewing and updating system packages	<p>I ran apt update then I upgraded the packages</p> <pre>root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/bin# root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/bin# apt update Get:1 http://archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu jammy InRelease [27 kB] Get:2 http://archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu jammy-updates InRelease [27 kB] Reading state information... Done 36 packages can be upgraded. Run 'apt list --upgradable' to see them. root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/bin# apt upgrade -y Reading package lists... Done</pre> <p>Then I ran the command touch package_list.txt to create a new file.</p> <pre>jammy-updates,jammy-security,now 1.1.2.11.0+sg-zubuntu-1 root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/bin# cd .. root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# touch package_list.txt root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# ls -l</pre> <p>I ran the command dpkg --get-selections &gt; package_list.txt and it put all the newly installed packages into this file. I ran the cat package_list.txt to confirm they were all there.</p> <pre>root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# dpkg --get-selections &gt; package_list.txt root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# cat package_list.txt adduser      install apt         install attr        install base-files   install base-passwd  install bash         install bsdutils     install ca-certificates  install coreutils    install cron         install dash         install dbus         install debconf      install debianutils  install diffutils    install firmware    install</pre>

encrypted.

Rsh-client is a security risk due to its dependence on weak authentication methods, making it vulnerable to IP spoofing and DNS spoofing attacks.

I found they were indeed on the list.

```
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# apt list --installed | grep telnet
tcpd
tdb-tools
telnet
tree
ubuntu-keyring
ucf
update-inetd
python3.10-minimal
readline-common
rsh-client
rsh-server
rsyslog
samba
```

Then I removed the packages using the apt remove command then I updated my package\_list. I noticed that telnet's configuration files were left behind so at first I used the apt purge telnet. But it said it was unable to locate the package to remove

```
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# apt purge remove telnet
Reading package lists... Done
Building dependency tree... Done
Reading state information... Done
E: Unable to locate package remove
```

So then I used the command dpkg –purge –force-all telnet. Then I used the command dpkg -l | grep telnet and it came up with nothing meaning it was removed.

```
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# dpkg -l | grep telnet
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/#
```

Then I ran the apt autoremove -y.

Then using the apt install command to install the packages ufw, lynis, and tripwire.

```
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# apt install ufw
Reading package lists... Done
Building dependency tree... Done
Reading state information... Done
The following additional packages will be installed:
  iptables libip6tc2 libnetfilter-conntrack3 libnfnetwork0 libnftnl1
Suggested packages:
  firewalld kmod nftables
The following NEW packages will be installed:
  iptables libip6tc2 libnetfilter-conntrack3 libnfnetwork0 libnftnl1
0 upgraded, 6 newly installed, 0 to remove and 0 not upgraded.
Need to get 764 kB of archives.
After this operation, 4266 kB of additional disk space will be used.
Do you want to continue? [Y/n] y
Processing triggers for libc-bin (2.35-0ubuntu3.9) ...
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# apt install lynis
Reading package lists... Done
Building dependency tree... Done
Reading state information... Done
The following additional packages will be installed:
  menu
Suggested packages:
  dnsutils apt-listbugs debsecan debsums tripwire samhain aide fail2ban menu-l10n gksu | kde-runtime | ktsu
The following NEW packages will be installed:
  lynis menu
0 upgraded, 2 newly installed, 0 to remove and 0 not upgraded.
Need to get 581 kB of archives.
After this operation, 3164 kB of additional disk space will be used.
Do you want to continue? [Y/n]
```

		<pre>root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# apt install tripwire Reading package lists... Done Building dependency tree... Done Reading status information... Done The following additional packages will be installed:   cpio postfix-sys-cert Suggested packages:   libarchive16 procmail postfix-mysql postfix-pgsql postfix-ldap postfix-pcre postfix-lmdb postfix-sqlite sasl2-bin   dovecot-common resolvconf   postfix-cdb mail-reader postfix-mta-sts-resolver postfix-doc The following NEW packages will be installed:   cpio postfix-sys-cert tripwire 0 upgraded, 4 newly installed, 0 to remove and 0 not upgraded. Need to get 0 B/0 B from 0 B. After this operation, 16.3 MB of additional disk space will be used. Do you want to continue? [Y/n]</pre> <p>Ufw stands for uncomplicated firewall and it provides a user-friendly interface for managing firewall rules, simplifies common firewall tasks and helps protect against unauthorized access. It denies all incoming connections and allows all outgoing connections. It uses a default deny for incoming traffic that only allows connections. It provides logging capabilities to monitor firewall activity.</p> <p>Lynis is a security auditing tool that provides guidance for system hardening, it detects vulnerabilities, and assists with security compliance testing. It provides specific recommendations and suggestions for hardening the system. It performs in depth security scans and identifies any potential weakness a system might have.</p> <p>Tripwire provides hardening features through its file integrity monitoring and security configuration management. They help companies reduce their attack surface, maintain system integrity and ensure continuous compliance. It monitors for suspicious or unauthorized changes to critical assets by recording specific attributes of files, i.e. hashes and timestamps. It can also detect unauthorized file and directory modifications on local systems.</p>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Disabling unnecessary services	<p>I learned that this web lab is a sysvinit based system and the systemctl -t service - -all didn't work but I did some research and service - -status-all was the one that worked.</p> <pre>root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# service --status-all [ - ] cron [ - ] dbus [ ? ] hwclock.sh [ + ] mysql [ + ] nmbd [ - ] openbsd-inetd [ - ] postfix [ - ] procps [ - ] samba-ad-dc [ + ] smbd [ - ] ssh [ - ] ufw</pre>

Then to save that to a file I ran the command service -status-all > service\_list.txt then I ran the cat command to verify. For some reason [ ? ] hwclock.sh didn't go in there.

I used the command service -status-all mysql to stop that service then I ran the command to list all the services to verify that it stopped.

```
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# service mysql stop
* Stopping MySQL database server mysqld
[ ok ]
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# service --status-all
[ - ] cron
[ - ] dbus
[ ? ] hwclock.sh
[ - ] mysql
[ + ] nmbd
[ - ] openbsd-inetd
[ - ] postfix
[ - ] procps
[ - ] samba-ad-dc
[ + ] smbd
[ - ] ssh
[ - ] ufw
```

Samba-ad-dc was already stopped but, I heard someone in class say that smbd was also a part of samba so I stopped that one as well and verified

```
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# service smbd stop
* Stopping SMB/CIFS daemon smbd
[ ok ]
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# service --status-all
[ - ] cron
[ - ] dbus
[ ? ] hwclock.sh
[ - ] mysql
[ + ] nmbd
[ - ] openbsd-inetd
[ - ] postfix
[ - ] procps
[ - ] samba-ad-dc
[ - ] smbd
[ - ] ssh
[ - ] ufw
```

So chkconfig isn't on this version. So I used the command apt-get remove --purge mysql-server mysql-client mysql-common mysql-server-core-\* mysql-client-core-\* then I ran the apt-get autoremove -y to get rid of any dependencies. Then I verified that it was removed.

```
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# apt-get remove --purge mysql-server mysql-client mysql-common mysql-server-core-* mysql-client-core-*
```

```
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# service --status-all
[ - ] cron
[ - ] dbus
[ ? ] hwclock.sh
[ + ] nmbd
[ - ] openbsd-inetd
[ - ] postfix
[ - ] procps
[ - ] samba-ad-dc
[ - ] smbd
[ - ] ssh
[ - ] ufw
```

```
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# [■]
```

Then in order to run the smbd and samba-ad-dc packages I ran the command apt-get remove --purged samba samba-common-bin smbclient Then I ran apt autoremove -y to clear out any dependencies. Then I verified it was removed.

```
smbd: no process found
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# apt-get remove --purge samba samba-common samba-common-bin smbclient
Reading package lists... Done
Building dependency tree... Done
Reading state information... Done
Package 'smbclient' is not installed, so not removed
The following packages were automatically installed and are no longer required:
  attr dirmngr gnupg gnupg-l10n gnupg-utils gpg gpg-agent gpg-wks-server gpgconf gpgsm libverb
  libavahi-common-data libavahi-common3 libboost-iostreams1.74.0 libcephfs2 libcurls2 libcurls2-1
  libgpgme11 libibverbs1 libjansson4 libksba8 libldap-2.5-0 libldap-common libltdb0 libltdb0_1.200 libn
  librados2 librdmacm1 libtalloc2 libtdb1 libtevent0 libwbcclient0 libyaml-2.0-pinenut-curses python
  python3-chardet python3-cryptography python3-dns python3-gpg python3-idna python3-importlib-metadata
  python3-more-itertools python3-pkg-resources python3-pygments python3-requests python3-requests-toolbelt p
  python3-tdb python3-urllib3 python3-yaml python3-zipp samba-dsdb-modules samba-libs samba-vfs-modules tdb
Use 'apt autoremove' to remove them. [■]
```

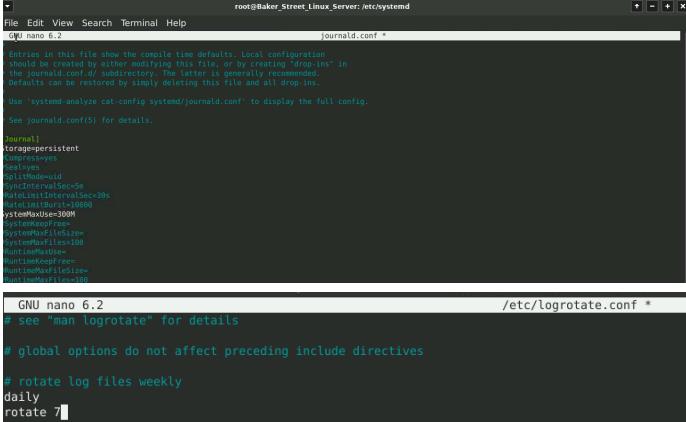
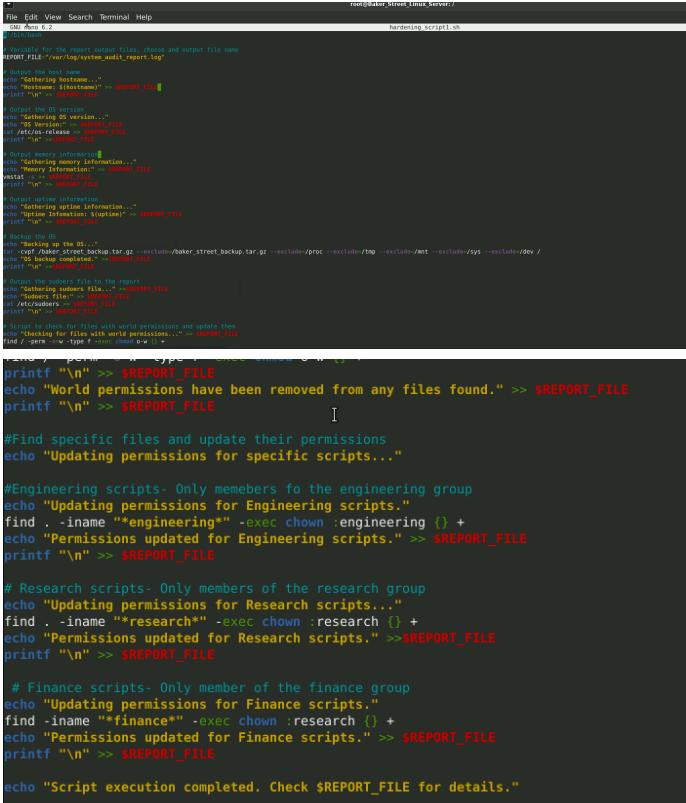
```
The following packages will be REMOVED:
```

```
  attr dirmngr gnupg gnupg-l10n gnupg-utils gpg gpg-a
  libavahi-common-data libavahi-common3 libboost-iostreams1.74.0 libcephfs2 libcurls2 libcurls2-1 libgpgme11 libibverbs1 libjansson4 libksba8 libldap-2.5-0 libldap-common libltdb0 libltdb0_1.200 libn
  librados2 librdmacm1 libtalloc2 libtdb1 libtevent0 libwbcclient0 libyaml-2.0-pinenut-curses python
  python3-chardet python3-cryptography python3-dns python3-gpg python3-idna python3-importlib-metadata
  python3-more-itertools python3-pkg-resources python3-pygments python3-requests python3-requests-toolbelt p
  python3-tdb python3-urllib3 python3-yaml python3-zipp samba-dsdb-modules samba-libs samba-vfs-modules tdb
0 upgraded, 0 newly installed, 71 to remove and 0 not
After this operation, 105 MB disk space will be freed
(Reading database ... 16336 files and directories cur
Removing attr (1:2.5.1-1build1)
```

```
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# service --status-all
```

```
[ - ] cron
[ - ] dbus
[ ? ] hwclock.sh
[ - ] openbsd-inetd
[ - ] postfix
[ - ] procps
[ - ] ssh
[ - ] ufw
```

```
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/# [■]
```

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Enabling and configuring logging	<p>This step was pretty easy. I went through and updated the logrotate nano.</p>  <pre>root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server: /etc/journald.conf File Edit View Search Terminal Help GNU nano 6.2 journald.conf * [...] root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server: /etc/logrotate.conf File Edit View Search Terminal Help GNU nano 6.2 /etc/logrotate.conf * [...]</pre>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Scripts created	 <pre>root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server: ~ File Edit View Search Terminal Help hardening_script.sh [...] root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server: ~ [...]</pre>



## Scripts scheduled with cron

```
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home/natas
[GNOME-terminal] hardened script2.sh
#!/bin/nano
#
# Variable for the report output file
REPORT_FILE="/var/log/cron_report.log"
#
# Output the sshd configuration file
echo "Gathering details from the sshd file."
cat /etc/ssh/sshd_config >> $REPORT_FILE
cat /etc/ssh/sshd_config >> $REPORT_FILE
printf "\n" >> $REPORT_FILE
#
# Update packages and services
# Check for updated packages and services.
apt update
apt upgrade
printf "\n" >> $REPORT_FILE
echo "Packages have been updated and upgraded." >> $REPORT_FILE
printf "\n" >> $REPORT_FILE
echo "Installed packages(s)(dpkg --list)" >> $REPORT_FILE
printf "\n" >> $REPORT_FILE
#
# Print out logging configuration data
echo "Printing out logging configuration data"
cat /etc/journald.conf >> $REPORT_FILE
cat /etc/systemd/journald.conf >> $REPORT_FILE
cat /etc/rsyslog.conf >> $REPORT_FILE
cat /etc/elogind.conf >> $REPORT_FILE
cat /etc/lopgrat.conf >> $REPORT_FILE
printf "\n" >> $REPORT_FILE
#
# Script execution complete. Check cron_report.log for details.
echo "Script execution complete. Check cron_report.log for details."

```

Once you understand what you are doing, writing scripts is actually pretty fun.  
Then I scheduled the cron jobs

```
root@Baker_Street_Linux_Server:/home/natas
[GNOME-terminal] /tmp/crontab.Xvu4TG/crontab
#
# Edit this file to introduce tasks to be run by cron.
#
# Each task to run has to be defined through a single line
# indicating with different fields when the task will be run
# and what command to run for the task
#
# To define the time you can provide concrete values for
# minute (0 - 59), hour (0 - 23), day of month (1 - 31),
# and day of week (0w) or use '*' in these fields (for 'any').
#
# Notice that tasks will be started based on the cron's system
# daemon's notion of time and timezone.
#
# Output of the crontab jobs (including errors) is sent through
# email to the user the crontab file belongs to (unless redirected).
#
# For example, you can run a backup of all your user accounts
# at 5 a.m. every week with:
# 0 5 * * * root/backup/backup.sh > /home/backup.log 2> /home/backup.err
0 0 1 * * /root/hardening/script.sh
0 0 * * 1 /root/hardening/script.sh
#
# For more information see the manual pages of crontab(5) and cron(8)
# m h dom mon dow   command

```