Users & Groups Methodology - Creation

Open VMware Workstation:

- 1. Create a Virtual Machine from a gold image Ubuntu 16.04 LTS, and call it Ansible01,
- 2. Each VM logs in under the user L00155876, as a super admin with sudo privileges,
- 3. Open the VM (Ansible 01) and login using the default password Password1,
- 4. Open the terminal window.
- 5. To confirm that L00155876 is the user on the VM type in whoami
- 6. The response is L00155876
- 7. From the cli type in the sudo init 6, to reboot the vm,
- From the cli, type in te following sudo apt-get Install open-vm-tools
 This installs the tools need to carry out the install, of which one of the tools is the copy and paste command,
- 9. Input the sudo password Passw0rd1
- 10. Then on the cli input the following command sudo apt-get install open-vm-tools-desktop, Press enter.
- 11. From the cli type in the sudo init 6, to reboot the VM,
- 12. Input the sudo password Passw0rd1
- 13. Open the terminal window,
- 14. To determine what IP address Ansible01 has type in the command ifconfig
- 15. From the output the inet address: is 192.168.191.147
- 16. Make a copy of the IP address,
- 17. Now we need to give Ansible01 a host name, type in the command hostnamectl sethostname Ansible01, Press enter,
- 18. From the cli type in the sudo init 6, to reboot the VM,
- 19. Open the terminal window,
- 20. Then in the cli type in sudo nano /etc/hosts, Press enter,
- 21. Input the sudo password Passw0rd1
- 22. Moving into the /etc/hosts folder, remove all the script that is there, and input the following

```
127.0.0.1 Ansible01
127.0.1.1 Ansible01
192.168.191.147 Ansible01
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- 23. Then accept the changes and write the file to the /etc/hosts folder, returning you to the terminal window,
- 24. The next step is to get the update, in the cli type in sudo apt-get update, Press enter,
- 25. Then type in sudo apt-get Install openssh-server, Press enter,
- 26. Then type into the cli sudo systemctl restart ssh, Press enter,
- 27. Then type into the cli sudo nano /etc/ssh/sshd_config, Press enter,
- 28. Moving into the /etc/ssh/sshd_config folder, got to the following lines of code and make the following changes;
 - (i) #AuthorizedkeysFile %h/.ssh/authorized_keys remove the hash to the front, and again, the same text further down
 - (ii) #AuthorizedkeysFile %h/.ssh/authorized_keys remove the hash to the front, and again, the same text further down
 - (iii) #PasswordAuthentication no remove the hash to the front, and change the yes to no



- (iv) Then accept the changes and write the file to the /etc/ssh/sshd_config, returning you to the terminal window,
- 29. Then type into the cli sudo systemctl restart ssh, Press enter,
- 30. Then type into the cli sudo nano /etc/ssh/sshd_config, Press enter,
- 31. Moving into the /etc/ssh/sshd_config folder, got to the following lines of code and make the following changes under the PubkeyAuthentication yes script;
 - (i) #AuthorizedkeysFile %h/.ssh/authorized_keys remove the hash to the front, and again, the same text further down,
- 32. Then accept the changes and write the file to the /etc/ssh/sshd_config folder, returning you to the terminal window,
- 33. Then type into the cli sudo systemctl restart ssh, Press enter,
- 34. Then type into the cli ssh-keygen -t rsa, Press enter,
- 35. Then type into the cli ssh-keygen -t rsa, again, and Press enter,
- 36. Then type into the cli ssh-copy-Id -l ./.ssh/Id_rsa.pub l00155876@ansible01
- 37. Then type into the cli sudo systemctl restart ssh
- 38. Then type into the cli ssh-copy-ld -l ./.ssh/ld_rsa.pub l00155876@ansible01, again to get it to run this time.
- 39. Then type into the cli sudo nano /etc/ssh/sshd_config, Press enter,
- 40. The type ssh-agent bash, Press enter,
- 41. Then type into the cli ssh-add ./.ssh/Id_rsa, Press enter,
- 42. Then type into the cli sudo visudo, Press enter,
- 43. Moving into the /etc/sudoers.tmp folder, go to the following lines of code and make the following changes under the %sudo ALL=(ALL:ALL) ALL script;
 - (i) I00155876 ALL=(ALL:ALL) NOPASSWD:ALL
- 44. Then accept the changes and write the file to the /etc/ssh/sshd_config folder, returning you to the terminal window,
- 45. Then type into the cli sudo apt-add-repository ppa:ansible/ansible, Press enter,
- 46. Then type into the cli sudo apt install ansible, Press enter,
- 47. Then type into the cli sudo nano /etc/ansible/hosts, Press enter,
- 48. Moving into the /etc/ansible/hosts folder, got to the following lines of code and make the following changes under the #[webservers] script; remove

#alpha.example.rog #beta.example.rog #192/168.1.100 #192.168.1.110

Include

#192.168.191.147

Ansible01 ansible_hosts=Ansible01 ansible_user=l00155876

- 49. Then type into the cli sudo mkdir /etc/ansible/hosts vars, Press enter,
- 50. Then type into the cli sudo nano /etc/ansible/host_vars/webservers, Press enter,
- 51. Moving into the /etc/ansible/host_vars/webservers folder, add the following script;
 - (i) ansible host: Ansible01
 - (ii) ansible_port: 22
 - (iii) ansible_user: l00155876
 - (iv) ansible host: McLeanClient
 - (v) ansible port: 22
 - (vi) ansible_user: l00155876



- 52. Then accept the changes and write the file to the /etc/ansible/host_vars/webservers folder, returning you to the terminal window,
- 53. Then type into the cli sudo nano /etc/ansible/hosts, Press enter,
- 54. Moving into the /etc/ansible/hosts folder, got to the following lines of code and confirm their status remains the same under the #[webservers] script;

#192.168.191.147

Ansible01 ansible_hosts=Ansible01 ansible_user=I00155876

- 55. Then type into the cli sudo nano /etc/ansible/inventory, Press enter,
- 56. Moving into the /etc/ansible/inventory folder, add the following script
 - (i) [Ansible]
 - (ii) 192.168.191.147
- 57. Then accept the changes and write the file to the /etc/ansible/inventory folder, returning you to the terminal window,
- 58. Then type into the cli sudo nano /etc/ansible/inventory, Press enter,
- 59. Moving into the /etc/ansible/inventory folder, add the following script
 - (iii) [Ansible]
 - (iv) 192.168.191.147
 - (v) [Ansible01:vars]
 - (vi) Admin_group=sudo
- 60. Then accept the changes and write the file to the /etc/ansible/inventory folder, returning you to the terminal window,
- 61. From the cli type in the sudo init 6, to reboot the VM,

That concludes the initial build of the Host VM

In order to complete the build, we need to create the second VM

Now we create the second VM from our gold image. This machine shall be referred to as

Now we create the second VM from our gold image. This machine shall be referred to as **McLeanClient**,

- 1. Again, each VM logs in under the user L00155876, as a super admin with sudo privileges,
- 2. Open the VM (McLeanClient) and login using the default password Password1,
- 3. Open the terminal window.
- From the cli, type in the following sudo apt-get Install open-vm-tools, press enter,
 This installs the tools need to carry out the install, of which one of the tools is the copy and paste command,
- 5. From the cli, type in the following hostnamectl set-hostname McLeanClient, press enter,
- 6. From the cli type in the sudo init 6, to reboot the vm,
- 7. Input the sudo password Passw0rd1
- 8. Open the terminal window,
- 9. From the cli, type in the following sudo apt-get Install open-vm-tools, press enter,
- 10. Then on the cli input the following command sudo apt-get install open-vm-tools-desktop, Press enter,
- 11. To determine what IP address McLeanClient has type in the command ifconfig,
- 12. From the output the inet address: is 192.168.191.148
- 13. Make a copy of the IP address,
- 14. From the cli, type sudo nano /etc/hosts, to reset the host file on this client VM, and you will have to do the same on the host VM aswell.



15. Moving into the /etc/hosts folder, remove all the script that is there, and input the following

127.0.0.1 McLeanClient 127.0.1.1 McLeanClient 192.168.191.148 McLeanClient 192.168.191.147 Ansible01

16. Then accept the changes and write the file to the /etc/hosts folder, returning you to the terminal window,

One thing I should have done at the start was to turn of the lock, so that each machine did not automatically log out after a period of time.

17. Now back to the Host (Ansible01),

- 18. Open the terminal window,
- 19. From the cli, type in the following sudo nano /etc/hosts, press enter,
- 20. Moving into the /etc/hosts folder, add to the script that is already there, and input the following;

127.0.0.1 Ansible01 127.0.1.1 Ansible01 192.168.191.147 Ansible01 192.168.191.148 McLeanClient

21. Then accept the changes and write the file to the /etc/hosts folder, returning you to the terminal window,

22. Now back to the client server (McLeanClient),

- 23. From the cli, type in the following sudo nano /etc/hosts, press enter,
- 24. From the cli, type in the following sudo apt-get update, press enter,
- 25. From the cli, type in the following sudo apt-get install openssh-server, press enter,
- 26. From the cli, type in the following sudo systemctl restart ssh, press enter,
- 27. From the cli, type in the following sudo nano /etc/ssh/sshd_config, press enter,

28. Now back to the Host (Ansible01),

29. From the cli, type in the following ssh-copy-id -l ./.ssh/id_rsa.pub l00155876@McLeanClient, press enter,

30. Now back to the client server (McLeanClient),

- 31. Moving into the /etc/ssh/sshd_config folder, got to the following lines of code and make the following changes;
 - (v) #AuthorizedkeysFile %h/.ssh/authorized_keys remove the hash to the front, and again, the same text further down
 - (vi) #AuthorizedkeysFile %h/.ssh/authorized_keys remove the hash to the front, and again, the same text further down
 - (vii) #PasswordAuthentication no remove the hash to the front, and change the yes to no
 - (viii) Then accept the changes and write the file to the /etc/ssh/sshd_config, returning you to the terminal window,
- 32. Then type into the cli sudo systemctl restart ssh, Press enter,
- 33. Then type into the sudo visudo, Press enter,
- 34. Moving into the /etc/sudoers,tmp folder, got to the following lines of code and make the following changes;

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36. following changes under the %sudo ALL=(ALL:ALL) ALL script;

(ii) I00155876 ALL=(ALL:ALL) NOPASSWD:ALL

Then accept the changes and write the file to the /etc/ssh/sshd_config folder, returning you to the terminal window,

37. Now back to the Host (Ansible01),

38. Then type into the cli sudo nano /etc/ansible/hosts, Press enter,

Then under #192.168.191.147

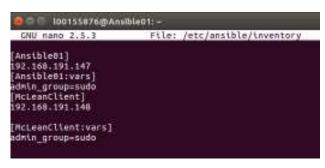
Ansible01 ansible_hosts=Ansible01 ansible_user=l00155876

Include #192.168.191.148

Ansible01 ansible hosts=McLeanClient ansible user=l00155876

- 39. Then accept the changes and write the file to the /etc/ansible/hosts, returning you to the terminal window,
- 40. Then type into the cli sudo nano /etc/ansible/inventory, Press enter,
- 41. Moving into the /etc/ansible/inventory folder, add the following script below the black text;

[Ansible]
192.168.191.147
[Ansible01:vars]
Admin_group=sudo
[McLeanClient]
192.168.191.148



- [McLeanClient:vars]
 Admin_group=sudo
- 42. Then accept the changes and write the file to the /etc/ansible/inventory folder, returning you to the terminal window,
- 43. Then type into the cli sudo apt install python-pip, Press enter,
- 44. Then type into the cli pip install ansible-lint, Press enter,

With the entire pre-configuration now done for both the Ansible-01 & McLeanClient Servers we can now create a user.

I am still in the Host (Ansible01),

- 45. Then type into the cli sudo nano /user1.yaml, Press enter,
- 46. Moving into the File: user1.yaml folder, and add the following script;

uid:2001
group: SYSAdmin'
state: Present
shell: /bin/bash
System: no
createhome: yes
home: /home/MarkMcLean
generate_ssh_keys: yes
ssh_key_bits: 2048
ssh_key_file: .ssh/id_rsa.pub

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utd: 2001

group: SYSAdmin

state: present

shell: /bin/bash

system: no

createhome: yes
home: /home/MarkMcLean
generate_ssh_key: yes
ssh_key_bits: 2048
ssh_key_file: ,ssh/ld_rsa.pub
```

47. Then accept the changes and write the file to the File: user1.yaml folder, returning you to the terminal window,

- 48. Then type into the cli ansible-lint user1.yaml -v, Press enter,
- 49. With the Ansible script having been run some errors were found, (see screenshot below); the result identified what the error was [201] Trailing whitespace, and the <u>line</u> where the error was made, user1.yaml:5 and user1.yaml:22 from within the user1.yaml playbook.

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100155870gAnsible01:-S ansible-lint user:.yaml -v
Examining user:.yaml of type playbook
[301] Varithmy whitesuage
user:.yaml:S
vars_files:
[301] 7251110g.whitesuage
user:.yaml:22-
group: 57584mln*
100155870gAnsible01:-S
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- 50. Then type into the cli sudo nano /user1.yaml, Press enter,
- 51. Moving into the File: user1.yaml folder, amend the following script;

```
52. GNU nano 2.5.3 File: useri.yanl

- name: Create Ansible8i Linux User
hosts: Ansible8i become: true
vars_files:
- /etc/ansible/vars_files/pwd_mark.yanl
tasks:
- name: Add group SYSAdmin to Ansible8i server
group:
    name: SYSAdmin
    gid: 2018
    state: present
- name: "Add user MarkMcLean to Ansible8i"
user:
    name: MarkMcLean
    password hash('sha512') })"
```

53. Then moving down to line 22 I can see more white spaces present

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group:
    name: SYSAdmin
    gid: 2010
    state: present

- name: "Add user MarkMcLean to Ansible01"
    user:
    name: KarkMcLean
    password: "({ pmd_nark | password_hash('sha512') }}"
    comment: MarkMcLean
    uid: 2001
    group: SYSAdmin"
    state: present
    shell: /bin/bash
    system: no
    createhome: yes
    home: /home/MarkMcLean
    generate_ssh_key: yes
    ssh_key_bits: 2048

AG Get Help AG Write Out AM Where Is AK Cut Text AJ Justify
AR Read File Al Replace

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AR Read File Al Replace

U Uncut Text AJ Justify
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- 55. Then type into the cli ansible-lint user1.yaml -v, Press enter,
- 56. The command line returned is Examining user-1.yaml of type playbook L00155876ansible01:-\$

Check Mode ("Dry Run")

57. Then type into the cli ansible-playbook user1-yaml --check, Press enter,

- 59. Having run check mode it found that /etc/ansible/vars_files/pwd_mark.yaml was not yet created.
- 60. Then type into the cli sudo nano /user1.yaml, Press enter,

```
GNU nano 2.5.3
                            File: useri.yanl
name: Create Ansible81 Linux User
hosts: Ansible@1
become: true
vars files:
       /etc/ansible/vars_flles/pwd_mark.vaml
tasks:
  - name: Add group SYSAdmin to Ansibled: server
    group:
      name: SYSAdmin
      gid: 2816
      state: present
    name: "Add user MarkMcLean to Ansible01"
    usera
      name: MarkMcLean
      password: "({ pwd_mark
                             | password hash('sha512') }}"
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- 62. Then accept the changes and write the file to the /etc/ansible/inventory folder, returning you to the terminal window,
- 63. Then type into the cli sudo mkdir /etc/ansible/vars_files/, Press enter,
- 64. This folder has now been created
- 65. Then type into the cli sudo mkdir /etc/ansible/vars_files/pwd_mark, Press enter,
- 66. Then type into the cli sudo nano pwd mark.yaml Press enter,

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O CNU nano 2.5.3 File: pwd_mark.yaml Modified

pwd_mark: College
```

- 68. Then accept the changes and write the file to the /etc/ansible/inventory folder, returning you to the terminal window,
- 69. Then type into the cli cd home/l00155876, Press enter,
- 70. You have been returned to the home directory of l00155876

Now to check that the Playbook runs, again a dry run;

71. Then type into the cli ansible-playbook user1.yaml --check, Press enter,

Now to run the playbook for real;

73. Then type into the cli ansible-playbook user1.yaml, Press enter,

```
PLAY [Create Ansible01 Linux User]

TASK [Cathering Facts]

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75. Then type into the cli Sudo nano user1.yaml, Press enter,

77. So, running the command again, type into the cli ansible-playbook user1.yaml, Press enter,

PLAY [Create Ansible01 Linux User]

TASK [Gathering Facts]

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MX: [And group SYSAdmin to Ansible01 server]

TASK [Add user MarkMcLean to Ansible01]

TASK [Add user MarkMcLean to Ansible01]

PLAY RECAP

Ansible01

PLAY RECAP

Ansible01

1 ok=1 changed=1 unreachable=0 failed=0 s kipped=0 rescued=0 ignored=0

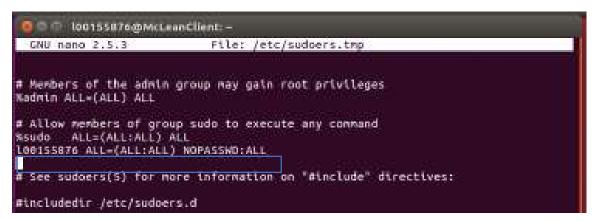


80. So, for now the user MarkMcLean only exists on this host machine.

So, the user MarkMcLean now only exists on this machine the host machine, so the next step would be to create the user on the second machine the McLeanClient client machine

81. Now back to the client server (McLeanClient),

- 82. A check to confirm you don't exist would be to go the McLean Client client machine
- 83. Then type into the cli Sudo nano /etc/sudoers.tmp, Press enter,



So, making sure to be logged in as the Host (Ansible01), and as the Super user L00155876

- 84. Create the second user on the client machine with the following commands
- 85. Then type into the cli Sudo nano user2.yaml, Press enter,

```
GNU nano 2.5.3
                                    File: user2.yaml
                                                                               Modified
            regexp: "%sudo
insertafter: ""%sudo ALL=(ALL) NOPASSWD: ALL"
            Time: "MarkMcLean ALL=(ALL) NOPASSMD: ALL

    name: Allqw authorised keys

           lineinfile:
             path: /etc/ssh/sshd_config
             state: present
             regexp: ^PasswordAuthentication
             line: PasswordAuthentication no
          name: Disable Password Autentication
           lineinfile:
             path: /etc/ssh/sshd_config
             state: present
             regexp: ^AuthorizedKevsFile
             line: AuthorizedKeysFile
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- 87. Then accept the changes and write the file to the user2.yaml, returning you to the terminal window,
- 88. Then type into the cli ansible-lint user2.yaml -v, Press enter,

90.

```
I0015587a@Ansible01: -
GNU nano 2.5.3
                                File: user2.yaml
                                                                               Modified
name: "Create Remote Linux User"
hosts: "client1 100155876"
become: "true"

vars_files: 
- /etc/ansible/vars_files/pwd_mark.yaml
tasks:

    name: Add group SYSAdmin to remote server

    group: 
name: SYSAdmin
gid: 2018
       state: present

    name: Add user MarkMcLean to remote server

    user:
       name: MarkMcLean
                                  [ Read 57 lines ]
                                              Cut Text *3 Justify
Uncut Text*T To Spell
             ^6 Write Out AM Where Is
 Get Help
                                                                            Cur Pos
                Read File Replace
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                                                                            Co To Line
```

91. Then type into the cli ansible-lint user2.yaml -v, Press enter,

```
    authorized_key:
        user: MarkMcLean
        state: present
        nanage_dir: yes
        key: "{{ lookup('file', '/hone/l00155876/.ssh/id_rsa.pub') }}"
        nane: 'Allow admin users to sudo without a password"
        lineinfile:
        path: /etc/sudoers
```

```
- name: "key transfer"
authorized_key:
    user: MarkMcLean
    state: present
    nanage_dir: yes
    key: "[{ lookup('file', '/home/l00155076/.ssh/id_rsa.pub') }}"
- name: "Allow admin users to sudo without a password"
    lineinfile:
```

- 95. Then accept the changes and write the file to the user2.yaml, returning you to the terminal window,
- 96. Then type into the cli ansible-lint user2.yaml -v, Press enter,

```
l00155876@Anstble01:-$ sudo nano user2.yaml
l00155876@Anstble01:-$ anstble-lint user2.yaml -v
Examining user2.yaml of type playbook
l00155876@Anstble01:-$
```

98. Another check needs to be carried out using the command

Check Mode ("Dry Run")

99. Then type into the cli ansible-playbook user2.yaml --check, Press enter,

101. So, by returning to sudo nano user2.yaml

93.

```
CNU mano 2.5.3 File: user2.yaml

- name: "Create Remote Lloux User"
hosts: 'client1_l00155876"
become: "true"
vars_files:
- /etc/ansible/vars_files/pwd_mark.yaml
```

103. We can see that we did not change the name of the host on the second machine

```
CNU nano 2.5.3 File: user2.yaml Modified

- name: "Create Remote Linux User"
hosts: "McLeanClient"
become: "true"
vars_files:
- /etc/ansible/vars_files/pwd_mark.yaml
```

- 105. Then accept the changes and write the file to the user2.yaml, returning you to the terminal window,
- 106. Now we need to run the playbook to

```
100155876@Anstble01:-$ anstble-playbook user2.yaml
107.
```

```
TASK [Add group SYSAdmin to remote server] ****

TASK [Add user MarkMcLean to remote server] *****

TASK [Add user MarkMcLean to remote server] ****

Changed: [McLeanClient]

TASK [key transfer] ****

changed: [McLeanClient]

TASK [Allow admin users to sudo without a password] ****

changed: [McLeanClient]

TASK [Allow authorised keys] ****

uk: [McLeanClient]

TASK [Disable Password Autentication] ***

changed: [McLeanClient]

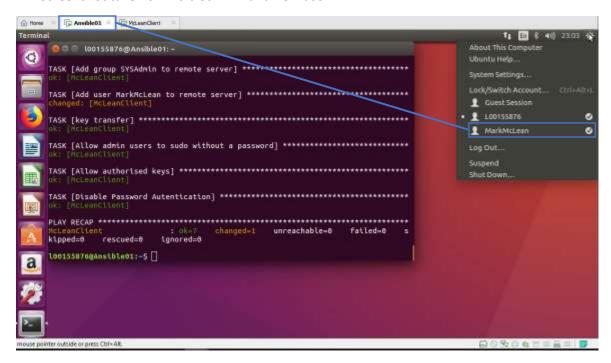
PLAY RECAP ***

McLeanClient : ok=7 changed=5 unreachable=8 failed=8 s
kipped=8 rescued=8 ignored=8

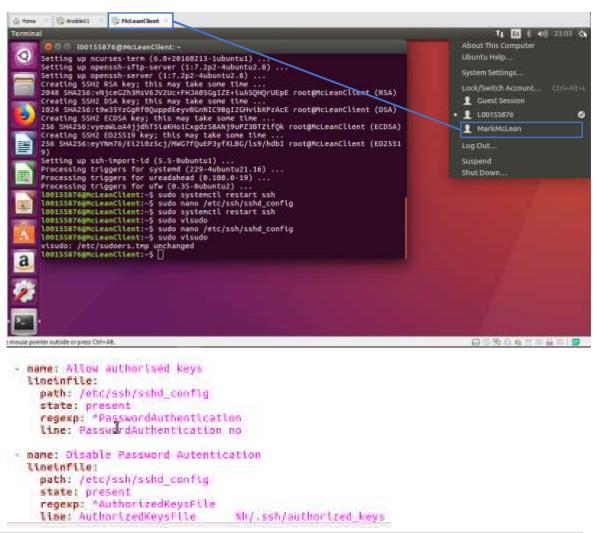
100155876@Ansible01:-$ ansible-playbook user2.yaml
```

109. Then type into the cli ansible-playbook user2.yaml --check, Press enter,

111. Screenshot taken of Ansible01 VM and new user.

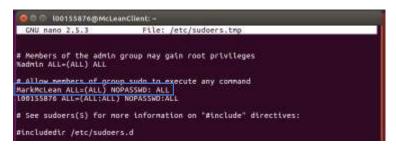


112. Screenshot taken of McCleanClient VM and new user.





113. New Admin user MarkMcLean shown added to McLeanClient



Final period/duration of build equated to 1hr and fifteen minutes

End.....