

# Breakme2

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# Embedded System Security Analysis In-Class Activity

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## 1 breakme2

Download breakme2 from: <http://classes.csse.rose-hulman.edu/ece497/breakme2>

This is similar to breakme from the ELF activities. Make this program output "You win!" only by running it in the debugger.

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# In the first shell, this will do nothing (QEMU waits for a debugger to attach)
qemu-arm -g 1234 -L /usr/arm-linux-gnueabi ./checkpass
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# In the second shell, we'll start the debugger
gdb-multiarch ./breakme2
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# In the debugger, we'll connect to the running program. If you don't have the
# gef prompt, you haven't pulled the latest container
gef-remote --qemu-user --qemu-binary /share/breakme2 localhost 1234
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Looking at the disassembly dump, I looked at what was being printed in the puts commands. A word hex gets put into r0, which corresponded to the .word found directly under main. I found the word for You win!\n conveniently under the win function (which is never called) and set \$r0 to this value to make it output You win!\n

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000104b4 <win>:
104b4: e92d4800      push    {fp, lr}
104b8: e28db004      add     fp, sp, #4
104bc: e3a02009      mov     r2, #9
104c0: e59f100c      ldr     r1, [pc, #12] ; 104d4 <win+0x20>
104c4: e3a00001      mov     r0, #1
104c8: ebffffb7      bl      103ac <write@plt>
104cc: e3a00000      mov     r0, #0
104d0: ebffffb2      bl      103a0 <exit@plt>
104d4: 00010598      .word   0x00010598

000104d8 <main>:
104d8: e92d4800      push    {fp, lr}
104dc: e28db004      add     fp, sp, #4
104e0: e24dd008      sub     sp, sp, #8
104e4: e50b0008      str     r0, [fp, #-8]
104e8: e50b100c      str     r1, [fp, #-12]
104ec: e59f0028      ldr     r0, [pc, #40] ; 1051c <main+0x44>
104f0: ebffffa1      bl      1037c <puts@plt>
104f4: e59f3024      ldr     r3, [pc, #36] ; 10520 <main+0x48>
104f8: e5933000      ldr     r3, [r3]
104fc: e1a00003      mov     r0, r3
10500: ebffff9a      bl      10370 <fflush@plt>
10504: e59f0018      ldr     r0, [pc, #24] ; 10524 <main+0x4c>
10508: ebffff9b      bl      1037c <puts@plt>
1050c: e3a03001      mov     r3, #1
10510: e1a00003      mov     r0, r3
10514: e24bd004      sub     sp, fp, #4
10518: e8bd8000      pop     {fp, pc}
1051c: 000105a4      .word   0x000105a4
10520: 00021034      .word   0x00021034
10524: 000105c4      .word   0x000105c4
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0x21034 <stdout@@GLIBC_2.4>: "\b\315z\377"
(remote) gef> x/s 0x000105c4
0x105c4: "You lose!"
(remote) gef> x/s 0x00010598
0x10598: "You win!\n"
(remote) gef> x/s $r0
0x105c4: "You lose!"
(remote) gef> set $r0=0x00010598
(remote) gef> c
Continuing.
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