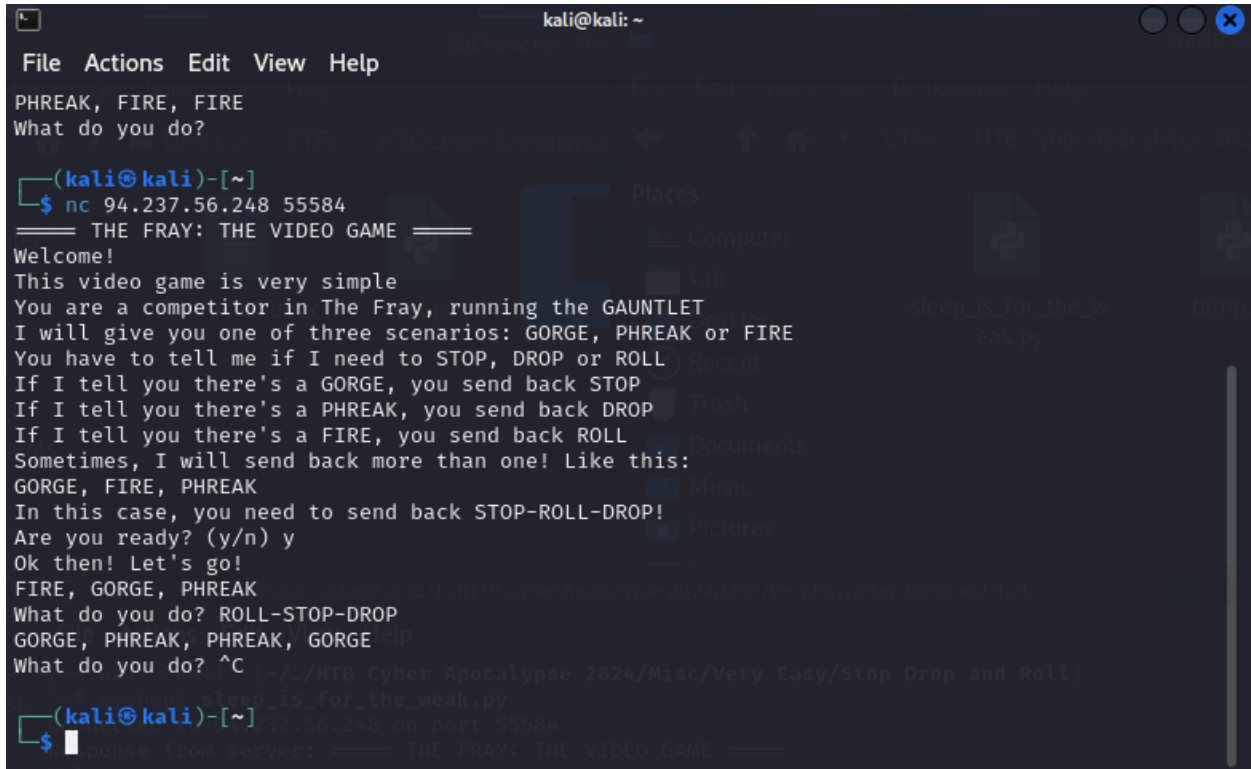


Main Solution:

When you initially netcat to the ip provided, you would notice that it is a game where you need to respond with the correct thing to do given either 1 or multiple scenarios.



```
kali@kali: ~  
File Actions Edit View Help  
PHREAK, FIRE, FIRE  
What do you do?  
  
(kali@kali)-[~]  
$ nc 94.237.56.248 55584  
===== THE FRAY: THE VIDEO GAME =====  
Welcome!  
This video game is very simple  
You are a competitor in The Fray, running the GAUNTLET  
I will give you one of three scenarios: GORGE, PHREAK or FIRE  
You have to tell me if I need to STOP, DROP or ROLL  
If I tell you there's a GORGE, you send back STOP  
If I tell you there's a PHREAK, you send back DROP  
If I tell you there's a FIRE, you send back ROLL  
Sometimes, I will send back more than one! Like this:  
GORGE, FIRE, PHREAK  
In this case, you need to send back STOP-ROLL-DROP!  
Are you ready? (y/n) y  
Ok then! Let's go!  
FIRE, GORGE, PHREAK  
What do you do? ROLL-STOP-DROP  
GORGE, PHREAK, PHREAK, GORGE  
What do you do? ^C  
===== THE FRAY: THE VIDEO GAME =====  
(kali@kali)-[~]  
$
```

So now to automate this process...

The finalized script that would not be terminated by the client is to have a `time.sleep(.53)`, the script I used "beacons" every 2 seconds but have noticed that .53 seconds works as well

1.1 Finalized working script (BEST WAY IN MY OPINION)

The creator could have easily make you miss the flag by continuing with the program execution even after the flag was generated as such since we know the flag start with HTB, if at any point the response contains HTB, i would output it to a file named test.txt with the response.

```
import socket  
import time  
=====
```

Usage: python3 temp.py

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"""

```
def main():
    target_ip = "94.237.56.248"
    target_port = 55584

    # Create a socket object
    client_socket = socket.socket(socket.AF_INET, socket.SOCK_STREAM)
    try:
        # Connect to the target
        client_socket.connect((target_ip, target_port))
        print("Connected to", target_ip, "on port", target_port)

        # Start sending and receiving data based on server's response
        while True:
            # Receive response from the server
            response = client_socket.recv(4096).decode()

            if "Are you ready?" in response:
                print("Response from server:", response)
                data = input("Enter data to send (type 'exit' to quit): ") + "\n" #the \n
or sendline() from pwntools denotes the end of the response
                client_socket.sendall(data.encode())
            elif "What do you do?" in response:
                formatted_response = response
                formatted_response = formatted_response.replace('Ok then!
Let's go!', ").replace('What do you do?', ")
                if "," in formatted_response:
                    tosend = []
                    formattedText = ""
                    temps = response.split(',')
                    for i in range(len(temps)):
                        if "GORGE" in temps[i]:
```

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        tosend.append("STOP")
        if "PHREAK" in temps[i]:
            tosend.append("DROP")
        if "FIRE" in temps[i]:
            tosend.append("ROLL")
    for l in range(len(tosend)):
        if l == (len(tosend)-1):
            formattedText += tosend[l] + "\n"
        else:
            formattedText += tosend[l] + "- "
    client_socket.sendall(formattedText.encode())
    print("Multi Response from server:", response)
    time.sleep(.53)
    print("Multi Sent to server:", formattedText)
    elif "GORGE" in formatted_response or "PHREAK" in
formatted_response or "FIRE" in formatted_response:
        singleTxt = ""
        if "GORGE" in formatted_response:
            singleTxt = "STOP" + "\n"
        if "PHREAK" in formatted_response:
            singleTxt = "DROP" + "\n"
        if "FIRE" in formatted_response:
            singleTxt = "ROLL" + "\n"
        client_socket.sendall(singleTxt.encode())
        print("Single Response from server:", response)
        time.sleep(.53)
        print("Single Sent to server:", singleTxt)
    elif "HTB" in response:
        print("Whatever else:", response)
        f = open("test.txt", "a")
        f.write(response)
        f.close()
    except ConnectionRefusedError:
        print("Connection refused. Make sure the server is running and the address/port
are correct.")
    except Exception as e:
        print("An error occurred:", e)
    finally:
        # Close the connection
        client_socket.close()

if __name__ == "__main__":
    main()

```

1.2 Python Script that I Used:

The difference between this and the above is that for the below i only print out the response that i need while in 1.1 i would save the formatted response in formatted_response and work from there, also the sleep duration for the below is longer and even if the response contains HTB (the flag) it would only print it and not output to a file which is dangerous as mentioned in 1.1 that the creator could have made their code in a way that even after generating the flag it would continue with the game

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import time
"""
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                formattedText = ""
                temps = response.split(',')
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                for l in range(len(tosend)):
                    if l == (len(tosend)-1):
                        formattedText += tosend[l] + "\n"
                    else:
                        formattedText += tosend[l] + "- "
                client_socket.sendall(formattedText.encode())
                print("Multi Response from server:", response)
                time.sleep(2)
                print("Multi Sent to server:", formattedText)
            elif "GORGE" in formatted_response or "PHREAK" in
formatted_response or "FIRE" in formatted_response:
                singleTxt = ""
                if "GORGE" in formatted_response:
                    singleTxt = "STOP" + "\n"
                if "PHREAK" in formatted_response:
                    singleTxt = "DROP" + "\n"
                if "FIRE" in formatted_response:
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                print("Single Response from server:", response)
                time.sleep(2)
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```

Final Output

I think you can guess from that scrollbar that indeed this took waaaaaay tooooooo long

```

kali@kali: ~/Desktop/CTFs/HTB Cyber Apocalypse 2024/Misc/Very Easy/Stop Drop and Roll
File Actions Edit View Help
What do you do?
Multi Sent to server: ROLL-ROLL-ROLL-DROP-STOP

Multi Response from server: GORGE, FIRE
What do you do?
Multi Sent to server: STOP-ROLL

Multi Response from server: FIRE, GORGE, PHREAK, GORGE
What do you do?
Multi Sent to server: ROLL-STOP-DROP-STOP

Multi Response from server: PHREAK, PHREAK, FIRE, GORGE
What do you do?
Multi Sent to server: DROP-DROP-ROLL-STOP

Multi Response from server: FIRE, GORGE, FIRE, GORGE, PHREAK
What do you do?
Multi Sent to server: ROLL-STOP-ROLL-STOP-DROP

Multi Response from server: PHREAK, FIRE
What do you do?
Multi Sent to server: DROP-ROLL

Whatever else: Fantastic work! The flag is HTB{1_will_sT0p_dR0p_4nD_r0LL_mY_w4Y_oUt!}

```