Week 4 Homework Submission File: Linux Systems Administration

Step 1: Ensure/Double Check Permissions on Sensitive Files

- 1. Permissions on /etc/shadow should allow only root read and write access.
 - Command to inspect permissions: Is -I shadow
 - Command to set permissions (if needed): <u>sudo chmod 600 shadow</u>
- 2. Permissions on /etc/gshadow should allow only root read and write access.
 - Command to inspect permissions: Is -I gshadow
 - Command to set permissions (if needed): <u>sudo chmod 600 gshadow</u>
- 3. Permissions on /etc/group should allow root read and write access, and allow everyone else read access only.
 - Command to inspect permissions: <u>Is -I group</u>
 - Command to set permissions (if needed): sudo chmod 644 group
- Permissions on /etc/passwd should allow root read and write access, and allow everyone else read access only.
 - Command to inspect permissions: <u>Is -I passwd</u>
 - Command to set permissions (if needed): <u>sudo chmod 644 group</u>

Step 2: Create User Accounts

- 1. Add user accounts for sam, joe, amy, sara, and admin.
 - Command to add each user account (include all five users):
 - Sudo adduser sam
 - Sudo adduser joe
 - Sudo adduser amy
 - Sudo adduser sara
 - Sudo adduser admin

- 2. Ensure that only the admin has general sudo access.
 - Command to add admin to the sudo group:
 - Sudo usermod -aG sudo admin

Step 3: Create User Group and Collaborative Folder

- 1. Add an engineers group to the system.
 - Command to add group:
 - Sudo groupadd engineers
- 2. Add users sam, joe, amy, and sara to the managed group.
 - Command to add users to engineers group (include all four users):
 - Sudo adduser sam engineers or sudo usermod -G engineers sam
 - Sudo adduser joe engineers or sudo usermod -G engineers joe
 - Sudo adduser amy engineers or sudo usermod -G engineers amy
 - Sudo adduser sara engineers or sudo usermod -G engineers sara
- 3. Create a shared folder for this group at /home/engineers.cd
 - Command to create the shared folder: sudo mkdir /home/engineers
- 4. Change ownership on the new engineers' shared folder to the engineers group.
 - Command to change ownership of engineer's shared folder to engineer group:
 - Sudo chown :engineers engineers

Step 4: Lynis Auditincdg

- 1. Command to install Lynis: sudo apt install lynis
- Command to see documentation and instructions: man lynis
- 3. Command to run an audit: sudo lynis audit system
- 4. Provide a report from the Lynis output on what can be done to harden the system.
 - Screenshot of report output:

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Suggestions (55):

        Install libpam-tmpdir to set $TMP and $TMPDIR for PAM sessions [CUST-0280] https://your-domain.example.org/controls/CUST-0280/

Install libpam-usb to enable multi-factor authentication for PAM sessions [CUST-0285] https://your-domain.example.org/controls/CUST-0285/
Install apt-listbugs to display a list of critical bugs prior to each APT installation. [CUST-0810] https://your-domain.example.org/controls/CUST-0810/
Install apt-listchanges to display any significant changes prior to any upgrade via APT. [CUST-0811] https://your-domain.example.org/controls/CUST-0811/
Install debian-goodies so that you can run checkrestart after upgrades to determine which services are using old versions of libraries and need restarting. [CUST-0830] https://your-domain.example.org/controls/CUST-0830/
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Bonus

- 1. Command to install chkrootkit:
- 2. Command to see documentation and instructions:
- 3. Command to run expert mode:
- 4. Provide a report from the chrootkit output on what can be done to harden the system.
 - Screenshot of end of sample output:

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