Kali Linux Study Plan for Developers & Ethical Hackers

Week 1: Mastering the Basics of Linux & Kali

- Learn file system: /, /etc, /usr, /home
- Basic commands: cd, ls, mkdir, rm, cp, mv, nano, cat
- Permissions: chmod, chown, sudo
- Package management: apt, dpkg
- Resources: LinuxCommand.org, YouTube Kali tutorials

Week 2: Networking & System Monitoring

- Network tools: ifconfig, ip a, ping, traceroute
- Scanning: nmap
- Monitoring: htop, netstat, ss, wireshark
- Practice scanning your router
- Resources: HackTheBox Academy, nmap.org/book

Week 3-4: Bash Scripting & Automation

- Variables, loops, conditionals, functions in Bash
- Automate tasks with nmap, whois, dig
- Write scripts and schedule with cron
- Resources: freeCodeCamp, YouTube bash tutorials

Week 5-6: Introduction to Ethical Hacking

- Tools: nmap, metasploit, hydra, burpsuite, nikto, gobuster
- Practice on TryHackMe and HackTheBox
- Complete beginner rooms and labs
- Document findings in reports

Bonus: Developer Path on Kali

- Install VSCode: sudo apt install code
- Learn Python, Git, and automation
- Use GitHub CLI, virtualenv for projects

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- Build tools to automate scans and reports

Pro Tips

- Only hack in legal environments
- Document everything you learn
- Practice daily
- Join Discords or subreddits like r/HowToHack