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Did you know that you can hide messages with symbols? For example, $!@\#\$\%^\&*($ is 123456789!
Now Try: $^\&,*\$,\&),!@\#,*\#,!!^,(\&,!!\$,(\%,\$^,(\&,!!\$,!!\%,(\%,\$^,(\%,\&),!!!,!!\$,(\%,\$^,(\%,\&^,!)\%,!)@,!)!,!@%$ However, this isn't as easy as you might think.

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Writeup:

created Python script:

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#!/usr/bin/python
s="^&,*$,&),!@#,*#,!!^,(&,!!$,(%,$^,(%,*&,(&,!!$,!!%,(%,$^,(%,&),!!!,!!$,(%,$^,(%,&^,!)%,!)@,!)!,!@%"
s1=""
l=len(s)
C=<u>0</u>
l=1-1
while c<=l:
      ch=s[c]
      if ch=='!':
         s1=s1 +'1'
      elif ch == '@':
         s1=s1+'2'
      elif ch == '#':
         s1=s1+'3'
      elif ch == '$':
         s1=s1+'4'
      elif ch == '%':
         s1=s1+'5'
      elif ch =='^':
         s1=s1+'6'
      elif ch == \frac{1}{6}:
         s1=s1+'7'
      elif ch == '*':
         s1=s1+'8'
      elif ch == '(':
         s1=s1+'9'
      elif ch ==')':
         s1=s1+'0'
      else:
          s1=s1+' '
      C=C+1
print(s1)
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running script gives you the decimal string of:

67 84 70 123 83 116 97 114 95 46 95 87 97 114 115 95 46 95 70 111 114 95 46 95 76 105 102 101 125

converting decimal to text gives you the flag:

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