### Step 1: Ensure/Double Check Permissions on Sensitive Files

- 1. Permissions on /etc/shadow should allow only root read and write access.
  - o Command to inspect permissions:

```
Is -I /etc/shadow
```

Command to set permissions (if needed):

```
sudo chmod 600 /etc/shadow
```

- 2. Permissions on /etc/gshadow should allow only root read and write access.
  - Command to inspect permissions:

```
Is -I /etc/shadow
```

Command to set permissions (if needed):

```
sudo chmod 600 /etc/gshadow
```

- 3. Permissions on /etc/group should allow root read and write access, and allow everyone else read access only.
  - Command to inspect permissions:

```
Is -I /etc/group
```

Command to set permissions (if needed):

```
sudo chmod 604 /etc/group
```

- 4. Permissions on /etc/passwd should allow root read and write access, and allow everyone else read access only.
  - Command to inspect permissions:

```
Ls -I /etc/passwd
```

Command to set permissions (if needed):

```
sudo chmod 604 /etc/passwd
```

## **Step 2: Create User Accounts**

- 1. Add user accounts for sam, joe, amy, sara, and admin.
  - Command to add each user account (include all five users):

```
sudo useradd sam
sudo useradd joe
sudo useradd amy
sudo useradd sara
sudo useradd admin
```

```
**** OR***
```

```
sudo adduser --system sam
sudo adduser --system joe
sudo adduser --system amy
sudo adduser --system sara
sudo adduser --system admin
```

- 2. Ensure that only the admin has general sudo access.
  - Command to add admin to the sudo group:

sudo usermod -aG sudo admin

# **Step 3: Create User Group and Collaborative Folder**

- 1. Add an engineers group to the system.
  - Command to add group:

sudo addgroup engineers

- 2. Add users sam, joe, amy, and sara to the managed group.
  - o Command to add users to engineers group (include all four users):

```
sudo usermod -aG engineers sam
sudo usermod -aG engineers joe
sudo usermod -aG engineers amy
sudo usermod -aG engineers sara
```

- 3. Create a shared folder for this group at /home/engineers.
  - o Command to create the shared folder:

Sudo mkdir /home/engineers

- 4. Change ownership on the new engineers' shared folder to the engineers group.
  - Command to change ownership of engineer's shared folder to engineer group:

sudo chown :engineers /home/engineers

## **Step 4: Lynis Auditing**

1. Command to install Lynis:

Sudo apt install Lynis

2. Command to see documentation and instructions:

man lynis

3. Command to run an audit:

sudo lynis audit system

4. Provide a report from the Lynis output on what can be done to harden the system. There are 6 warnings and 53 suggestions given to help ameliorate hardening the system. Please find below screenshots of (some) of these findings (report output)

```
Suggestions (53):
 * Install libpam-tmpdir to set $TMP and $TMPDIR for PAM sessions [CUST-0280]
     https://your-domain.example.org/controls/CUST-0280/
 * Install libpam-usb to enable multi-factor authentication for PAM sessions [C
JST-0285]
     https://your-domain.example.org/controls/CUST-0285/
 * Install apt-listbugs to display a list of critical bugs prior to each APT in
stallation. [CUST-0810]
     https://your-domain.example.org/controls/CUST-0810/
 * Install apt-listchanges to display any significant changes prior to any upgr
ade via APT. [CUST-0811]
     https://your-domain.example.org/controls/CUST-0811/
 * Install debian-goodies so that you can run checkrestart after upgrades to de
ermine which services are using old versions of libraries and need restarting.
CUST-0830]
     https://your-domain.example.org/controls/CUST-0830/
                        larnings (6):
    Version of Lynis is very old and should be updated [LYNIS]
      https://cisofy.com/controls/LYNIS/
  ! Multiple users with UID 0 found in passwd file [AUTH-9204]
      https://cisofy.com/controls/AUTH-9204/
  ! Multiple accounts found with same UID [AUTH-9208]
      https://cisofy.com/controls/AUTH-9208/
  ! No password set for single mode [AUTH-9308]
      https://cisofy.com/controls/AUTH-9308/
    Found one or more vulnerable packages. [PKGS-7392]
      https://cisofy.com/controls/PKGS-7392/
  ! Found some information disclosure in SMTP banner (OS or software name) [MAIL
 8818]
      https://cisofy.com/controls/MAIL-8818/
```

#### **Bonus**

Command to install chkrootkit:

sudo apt install chkrootkit

2. Command to see documentation and instructions:

man chkrootkit

3. Command to run expert mode:

sudo chkrootkit -x

4. Provide a report from the chrootkit output on what can be done to harden the system.

sudo chkroot

Screenshot of end of sample output:

```
2790 tty2
                                         /usr/lib/gnome-settings-daemon/gsd-printer
  sysadmin

      sysadmin
      2790 tty2

      sysadmin
      2712 tty2

      sysadmin
      2713 tty2

      sysadmin
      2717 tty2

      sysadmin
      2721 tty2

      sysadmin
      2723 tty2

      sysadmin
      2724 tty2

      sysadmin
      2619 tty2

      sysadmin
      2623 tty2

      sysadmin
      2882 tty2

      sysadmin
      2625 tty2

                                         /usr/lib/gnome-settings-daemon/gsd-rfkill
                                         /usr/lib/gnome-settings-daemon/gsd-screensaver-proxy
                                         /usr/lib/gnome-settings-daemon/gsd-sharing
                                         /usr/lib/gnome-settings-daemon/gsd-smartcard
                                         /usr/lib/gnome-settings-daemon/gsd-sound
                                         /usr/lib/gnome-settings-daemon/gsd-wacom
                                         /usr/lib/gnome-settings-daemon/gsd-xsettings
                                         ibus-daemon --xim --panel disable
                                         /usr/lib/ibus/ibus-dconf
                                         /usr/lib/ibus/ibus-engine-simple
                                         /usr/lib/ibus/ibus-x11 --kill-daemon
                2625 tty2
2813 tty2
  sysadmin
                                         nautilus-desktop
  sysadmin
  root
                    13265 pts/0 /bin/sh /usr/sbin/chkrootkit
  root
                   14091 pts/0
                                        ./chkutmp
  root
                   14093 pts/0 ps axk tty,ruser,args -o tty,pid,ruser,args
14092 pts/0 sh -c ps axk "tty,ruser,args" -o "tty,pid,ruser,args"
  root
                   13264 pts/0 sudo chkrootkit
  root
                     3111 pts/0 bash
  sysadmin
chkutmp: nothing deleted
Checking `OSX_RSPLUG'...
                                                                                             not tested
sysadmin@UbuntuDesktop:~$
```