

Challenge SpookyPass



Once I install the file, I have got the next executable file:

```
SHELL
> ls
  pass
> file pass
pass: ELF 64-bit LSB pie executable, x86-64, version 1 (SYSV), dynamically linked, interpreter /lib64/ld-linux-x86-64.so.2, BuildID[sha1]=3008217772cc2426c643d69b80a96c715490dd91, for GNU/Linux 4.4.0, not stripped
```

Let's see how it works:

```
SHELL
> ./pass
Welcome to the SPOOKIEST party of the year.
Before we let you in, you'll need to give us the password: test
You're not a real ghost; clear off!
```

Apparently we must provide the correct password which we don't know. So I run **ltrace** to see closely what happen:

```
SHELL
> ltrace ./pass
puts("Welcome to the \033[1;3mSPOOKIEST\033[...Welcome to the SPOOKIEST party of the year.
) = 54
printf("Before we let you in, you'll nee"... ) = 59
fgets(Before we let you in, you'll need to give us the password: test
"test\n", 128, 0x7a8bea008e0) = 0x7ffd7686fda0
strchr("test\n", '\n') = "\n"
strcmp("test", "s3cr3t_p455_f0r_gh05t5_4nd_gh0ul"... ) = 1
```

```
puts("You're not a real ghost; clear o"...You're not a real ghost; clear off!  
)  
= 36  
+++ exited (status 0) +++
```

It seems a C program, it's using **strcmp** to compare the user's input with the correct password (s3cr3t_p455_f0r_gh05t5_4nd_gh0ul).

SHELL

```
> ./pass  
Welcome to the SPOOKIEST party of the year.  
Before we let you in, you'll need to give us the password: s3cr3t_p455_f0r_gh05t5_4nd_gh0ul  
You're not a real ghost; clear off!
```

Trying I still get this. Perhaps ltrace did not show the full password string because it's too long so let use **strings** to check it:

```
> strings pass  
/lib64/ld-linux-x86-64.so.2  
fgets  
stdin  
puts  
__stack_chk_fail  
__libc_start_main  
__cxa_finalize  
strchr  
printf  
strcmp  
libc.so.6  
GLIBC_2.4  
GLIBC_2.2.5  
GLIBC_2.34  
_ITM_deregisterTMCloneTable  
__gmon_start__  
_ITM_registerTMCloneTable  
PTE1  
u3UH  
Welcome to the  
[1;3mSPOOKIEST  
[0m party of the year.  
Before we let you in, you'll need to give us the password:  
s3cr3t_p455_f0r_gh05t5_4nd_gh0ul5  
welcome inside!
```

We have it!

SHELL

```
> ./pass  
Welcome to the SPOOKIEST party of the year.  
Before we let you in, you'll need to give us the password: s3cr3t_p455_f0r_gh05t5_4nd_gh0ul5  
Welcome inside!
```

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