Cyber Security Project: Bounty Hunt DVWA

Target Information

- **Application Name:** Damn Vulnerable Web Application (DVWA)
- **Deployment Type:** Localhost (Lab Environment)
- **Testing Type:** Authorized Lab Testing
- **Tester:** Raj Kulkarni
- **Date of Testing:** 17/01/2025

Scope

The scope of testing was limited strictly to the DVWA application hosted locally.
All testing was performed in a **controlled lab environment** for educational purposes only.

In-Scope Assets:

- Web application endpoints exposed by DVWA

Out-of-Scope:

- Any external systems
- Production or real-world targets

Tools Used

- Burp Suite Community Edition
- OWASP ZAP
- SQLMap
- Nmap
- Web Browser (Firefox)

ID	Vulnerability Type	Severity
V-01	Reflected Cross-Site Scripting (XSS)	Medium
V-02	SQL Injection (Authentication Bypass)	High

V-01: Reflected Cross-Site Scripting (XSS)

Severity: Medium

Affected Endpoint: /vulnerabilities/xss_r/

Impact

- Allows execution of arbitrary JavaScript
- Can lead to session hijacking
- Enables phishing attacks
- Could be chained with social engineering

Steps to Reproduce

1. Navigate to the **Reflected XSS** section in DVWA
2. Enter the following payload in the input field:

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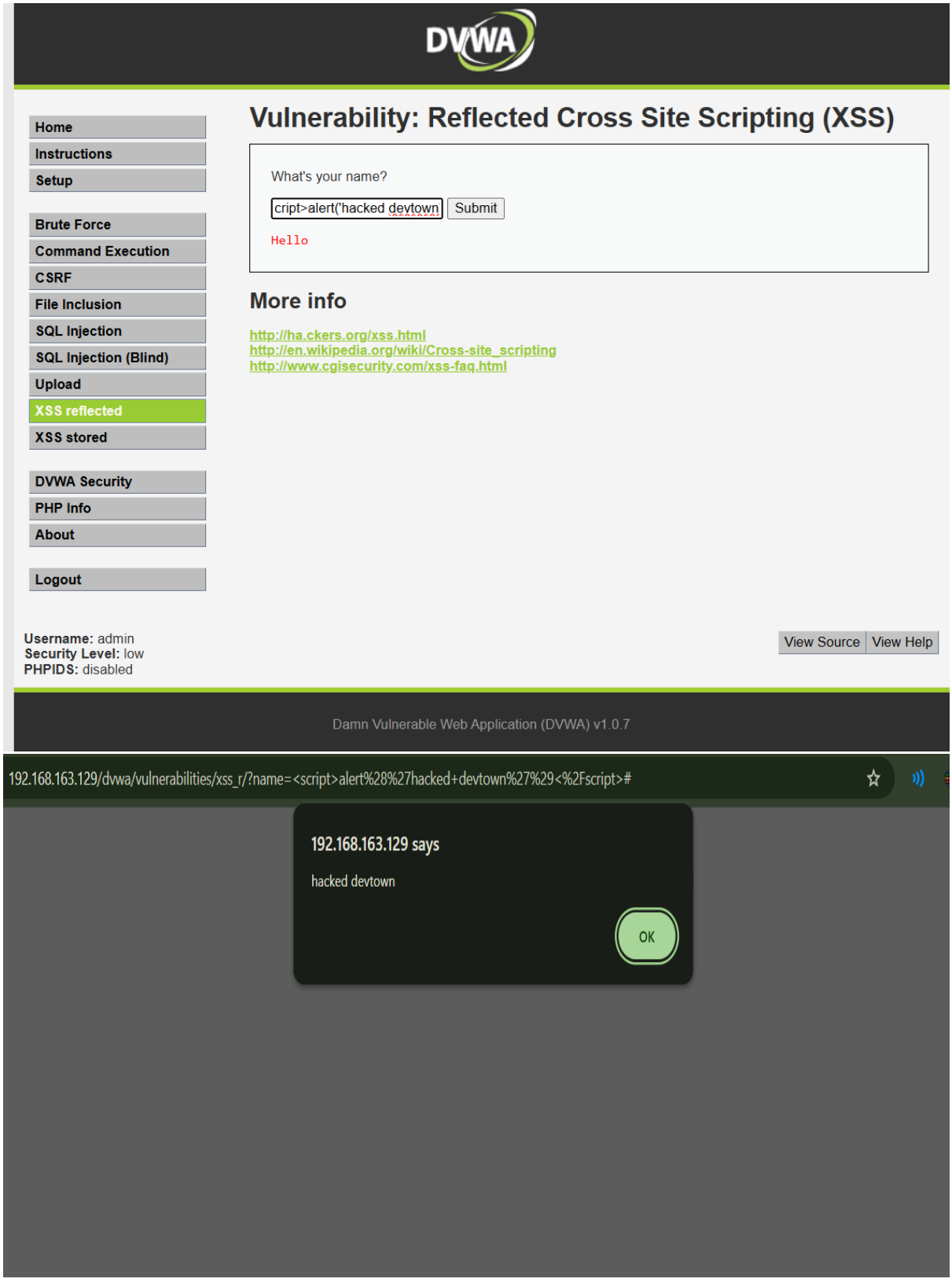
<script>alert('XSS')</script>
```

3. Submit the request
4. The JavaScript executes successfully in the browser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Vulnerability: Reflected Cross Site Scripting (XSS)
What's your name?
cript>alert('hacked devtown
Submit
Hello
More info
http://ha.ckers.org/xss.html
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cross-site_scripting
http://www.cgisecurity.com/xss-faq.html
Username: admin
Security Level: low
PHPIDS: disabled
View Source
View Help
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192.168.163.129/dvwa/vulnerabilities/xss_r/?name=<script>alert%28%27hacked+devtown%27%29<%2Fscript>#
192.168.163.129 says
hacked devtown
OK

V-02: SQL Injection (Authentication Bypass)

Severity: High

Affected Endpoint: http://vulnerabilities/sqli/

Impact

- Complete database compromise
- Unauthorized data access
- Potential data modification or deletion
- Full application takeover

Steps to Reproduce

1. Navigate to the **SQL Injection** section
2. Enter the following payload in the User ID parameter:

1' OR '1'='1

3. Submit the request
4. Application returns user data without proper authorization

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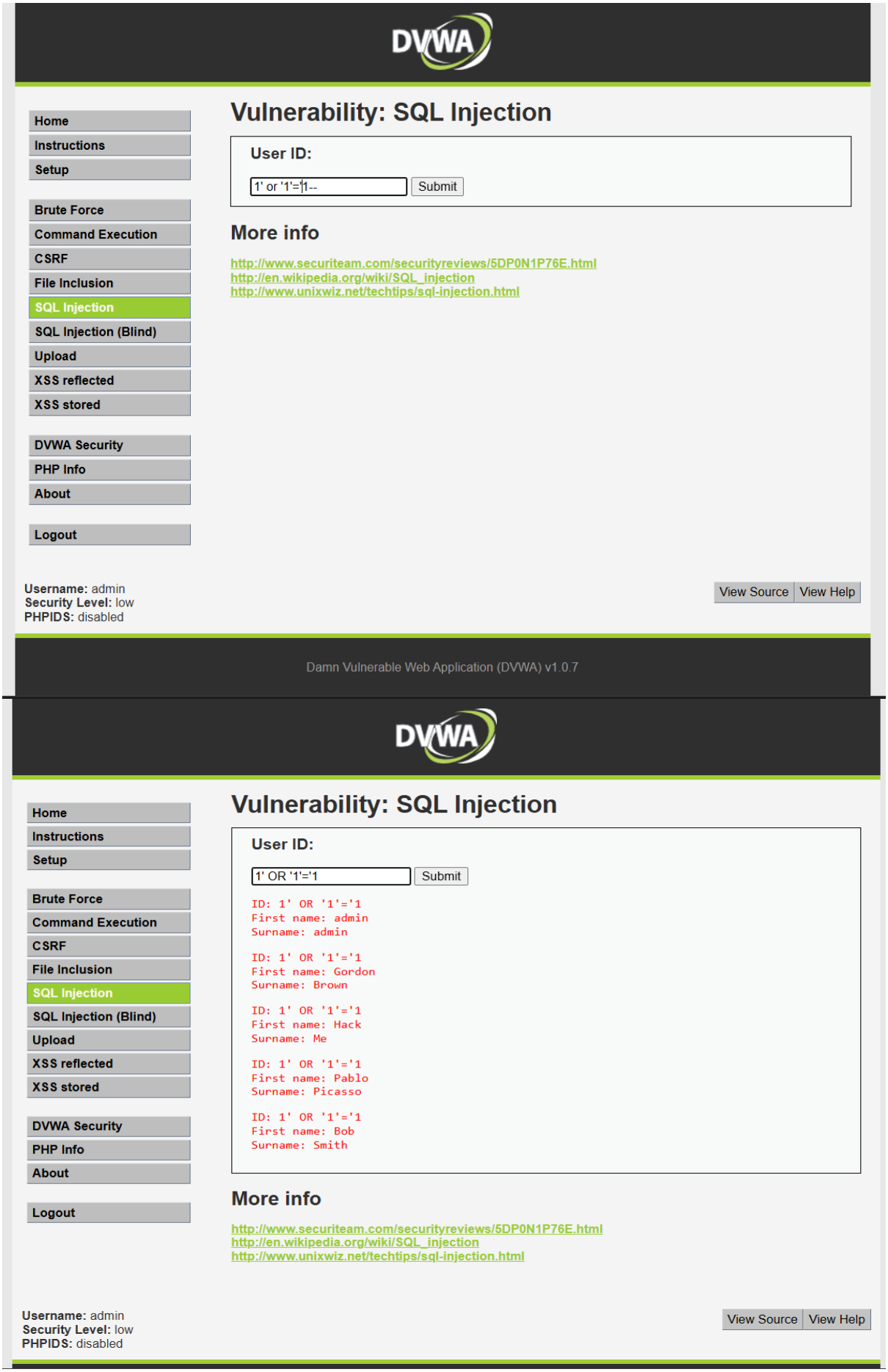
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Submit
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http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/SQL_injection
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1' OR '1'='1
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ID: 1' OR '1'='1
First name: admin
Surname: admin
ID: 1' OR '1'='1
First name: Gordon
Surname: Brown
ID: 1' OR '1'='1
First name: Hack
Surname: Me
ID: 1' OR '1'='1
First name: Pablo
Surname: Picasso
ID: 1' OR '1'='1
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Overall Risk Assessment

The application contains **multiple critical vulnerabilities** that could allow an attacker to:

- Steal sensitive data
- Bypass authentication
- Execute arbitrary code in a victim's browser

If deployed in a real-world environment, these vulnerabilities could result in **severe security breaches**.

Conclusion

This project successfully demonstrates the **end-to-end bug bounty workflow**, including reconnaissance, vulnerability identification, exploitation, and professional reporting.
All findings were responsibly documented within the defined scope.