TASK 1: How to setup Apache Server

Step 1: Update your local package index

Command:

```
$ sudo apt update
```

Install the apache2 package:

Command:

```
$ sudo apt install apache2
```

Step 2: Configure Your Firewall

Although the Apache installation process is complete, there is one more additional step. Configure the default UFW firewall to allow traffic on port 80.

Start by displaying available app profiles on UFW:

Command:

```
$ sudo ufw app list
```

The terminal should respond by listing all available application profiles, as seen in the example below.

```
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osboxes@osboxes: -$ sudo ufw app list
[sudo] password for osboxes:

Available applications:

Apache
Apache Full
Apache Secure
CUPS
OpenSSH
osboxes@osboxes: -$

Osboxes@osboxes: -$
```

Let's enable the most restrictive profile that will still allow the traffic you've configured, permitting traffic on port 80 (normal, unencrypted web traffic):

Command:

```
$ sudo ufw allow 'Apache'
```

Verify the change:

```
$ sudo ufw status
```

In case your firewall's status is inactive, you can use the command "sudo ufw enable" to active.

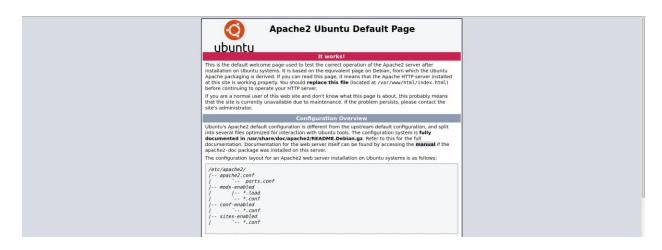
Step 3: Checking your Web Server

Check with the systemd init system to make sure the service is running by typing:

Command:

```
$ sudo systemctl status apache2
```

Access the default Apache landing page to confirm that the software is running properly through your IP address: http://your_server_ip



Step 4: Set up password Authentication

* Installing the Apache Utilities Package

Command:

```
$ sudo apt-get update
$ sudo apt-get install apache2-utils
```

— Creating the Password File

We now have access to the htpasswd command. We can use this to create a password file that Apache can use to authenticate users. We will create a hidden file for this purpose called .htpasswd within our /etc/apache2 configuration directory. The first time we use this utility, we need to add the -c option to create the specified file. We specify a username (jupyter in this example) at the end of the command to create a new entry within the file:

```
osboxes@osboxes:~$ sudo htpasswd -c /etc/apache2/.htpasswd jupyter
New password:
Re-type new password:
Adding password for user jupyter
osboxes@osboxes:~$
```

Leave out the -c argument for any additional users you wish to add:

```
osboxes@osboxes:~$ sudo htpasswd /etc/apache2/.htpasswd group1
New password:
Re-type new password:
Adding password for user group1
osboxes@osboxes:~$
```

If we view the contents of the file, we can see the username and the encrypted password for each record:

```
osboxes@osboxes:~$ cat /etc/apache2/.htpasswd
jupyter:$apr1$ZcLjXov3$b.L58CdCSvF4i959Mr/0w1
group1:$apr1$S3g8bm33$zvB4905tJyClcc5SCGm8v1
osboxes@osboxes:~$
```

STEP 5: — Configuring Apache Password Authentication

Configuring Access Control within the Virtual Host Definition

Begin by opening up the virtual host file that you wish to add a restriction to. For our example, we'll be using the 000-default.conf file that holds the default virtual host installed through Ubuntu's apache package:

```
$ sudo nano /etc/apache2/sites-enabled/000-default.conf
```

Authentication is done on a per-directory basis. To set up authentication, you will need to target the directory you wish to restrict with a <Directory ____ > block. In our example, we'll restrict the entire document root, but you can modify this listing to only target a specific directory within the web space.

Within this directory block, specify that we wish to set up Basic authentication. For the AuthName, choose a realm name that will be displayed to the user when prompting for credentials. Use the AuthUserFile directive to point Apache to the password file we created. Finally, we will require a valid-user to access this resource, which means anyone who can verify their identity with a password will be allowed in:

Save and close the file when you are finished.

Before restarting the web server, you can check the configuration with the following command:

Command:

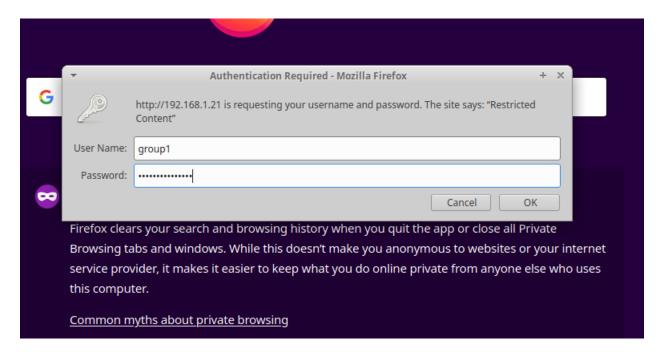
```
$ sudo apache2ctl configtest

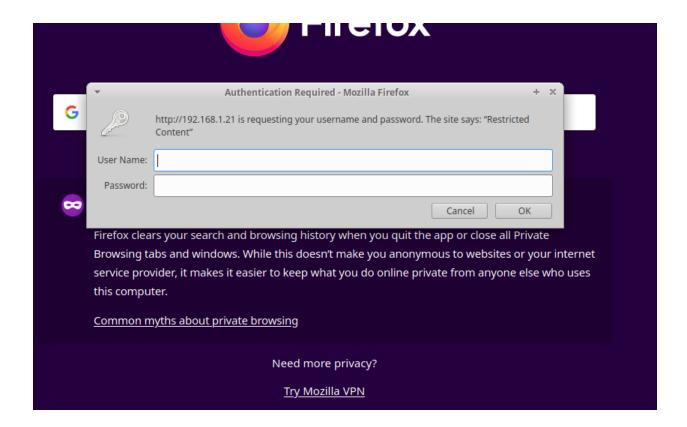
osboxes@osboxes:~$ sudo apache2ctl configtest
AH00550: apache2: Could not reliably determine the server's fully qualified domain name, using 127.0.1.1. Set the 'ServerName' directive globally to suppress this message Syntax OK
```

— Confirming Password Authentication



In case I type wrong password, I can not access to the web server:





Unauthorized

This server could not verify that you are authorized to access the document requested. Either you supplied the wrong credentials (e.g., bad password), or your browser doesn't understand how to supply the credentials required.

Apache/2.4.41 (Ubuntu) Server at 192.168.1.21 Port 80

In case you want to see all the log files, this is the path: /var/log/apache2/. It contains all the process and action from user with the web server.

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