



Introduction

Initially Capture the Flag (CTF) game can be identified as an outdoor game which is played among two teams in order to achieve the goal of capturing the flag of the opponent team and bringing it to the base station. In the computerized environment, CTF games can be identified as a puzzle solving about computer security issues and exploring creatively and safely which are not considered as malicious actions. In this instance a safe place is given to the player to explore, so that the player is able to understand the tools needed when playing against the opponent.

Capture The Flag games played on computers are mainly created on testing the Penetration Testing skills and Vulnerability Assessment of a person. There are many benefits of CTF as, by playing a CTF game, a player can get a clear understanding on the current skill level of them and they can practice existing skills, Development the ability of scanning for Vulnerabilities and penetration testing skills, understanding how to develop a secured system and etc. In the CTF we are about to develop, we mainly focus on the Cryptographic Technologies. With the help of this CTF we hope that the player will be able to get a clear understanding on his knowledge about the usage of cryptography, what are the cryptographic algorithms and how these algorithms are used in securing connections and what areas should be accessed.

A player does not need have a deep knowledge on the field of Cryptography as this game is created to enhance the player's knowledge on Cryptography. In order to keep the encouragement and the motivation of the players, there will be a storyline running behind. Players will be asked to solve each level with the knowledge on cryptography. A hint will be given through the story. And at the end of the 13 levels, the player will be able to solve the criminal case while gaining and improving knowledge on cryptography.

We are mainly focusing on the security using cryptography and we hope to check the knowledge from simple encoding and decoding skills to encrypting decrypting skills of a person. As the CTF is created with the aim of marketing, we have created it with an attractive web page. We started the creation of the CTF with the creation of the web page. Up to this point, in our CTF game, we have developed the webpage and 8 levels in the game. This report will explain what we have done so far.

In the proposal we are focusing on doing only 10 levels. But we thought of changing it as 13 levels as 03 from easy, 05 from medium and 05 from hard. At this stage we have completed up to 08th level which complete both easy and medium.



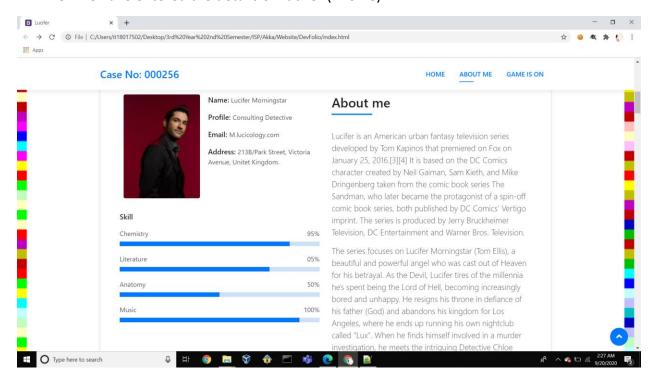


Web Page

• This is the Home Page.



• Then we have entered the details of Lucifer (Theme).



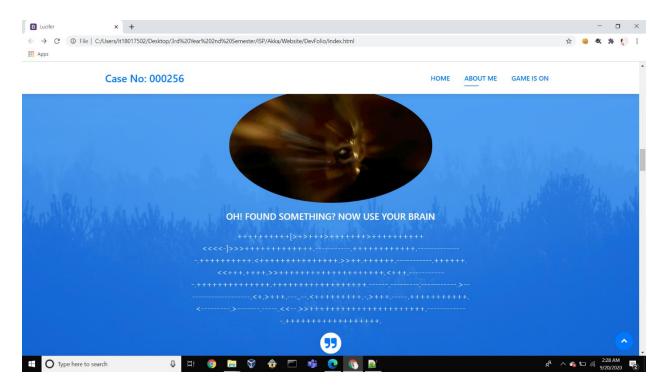
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• Then an attractive phrase.

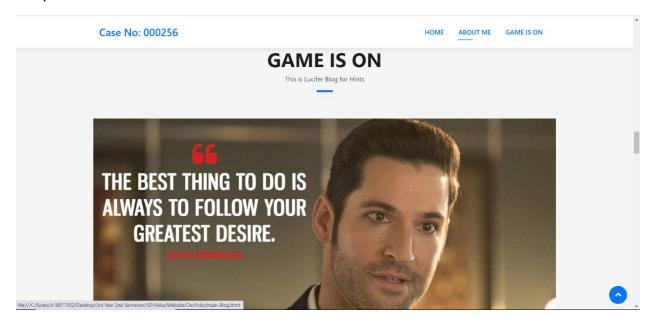


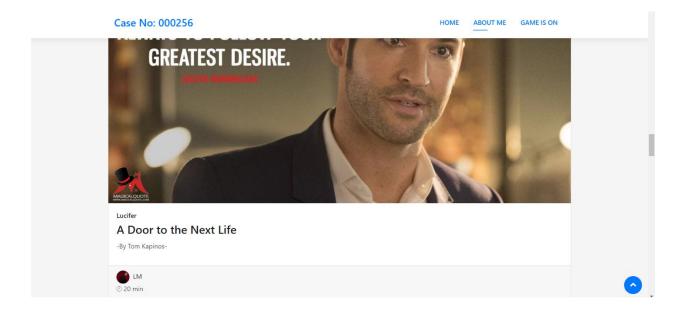




Story Line and Levels

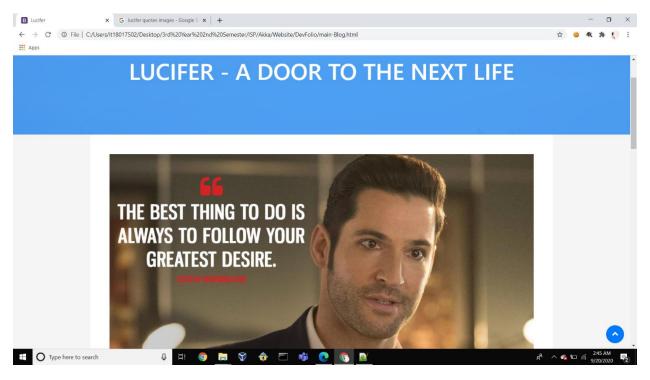
The story begins here. When you click on this image, you get the start of the story. Then gradually at each level, story will be completed. At the end of the 13 levels, we can have the completed story.

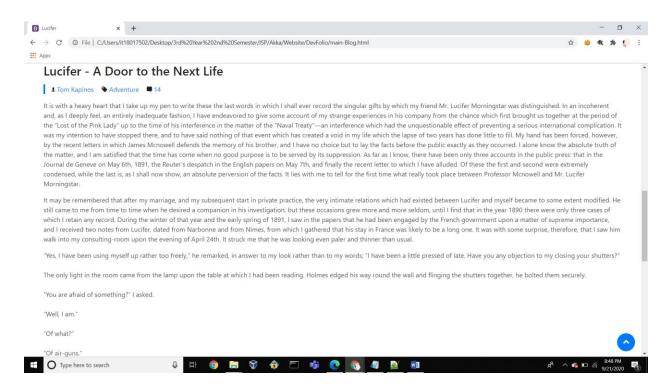




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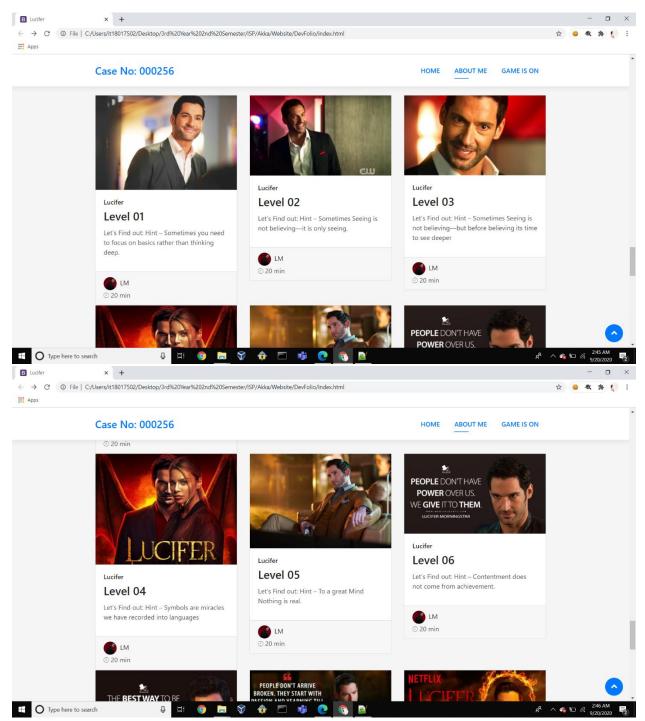
When we click on the Image in the Home page, it re dirrects it to another page as below.
 There you can find the storyline.



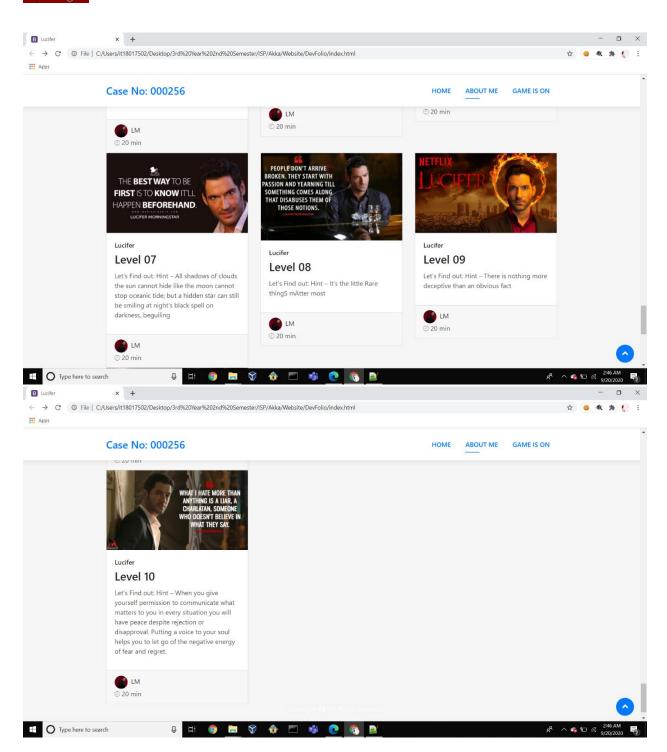


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• Here are other levels links on the Home Page.

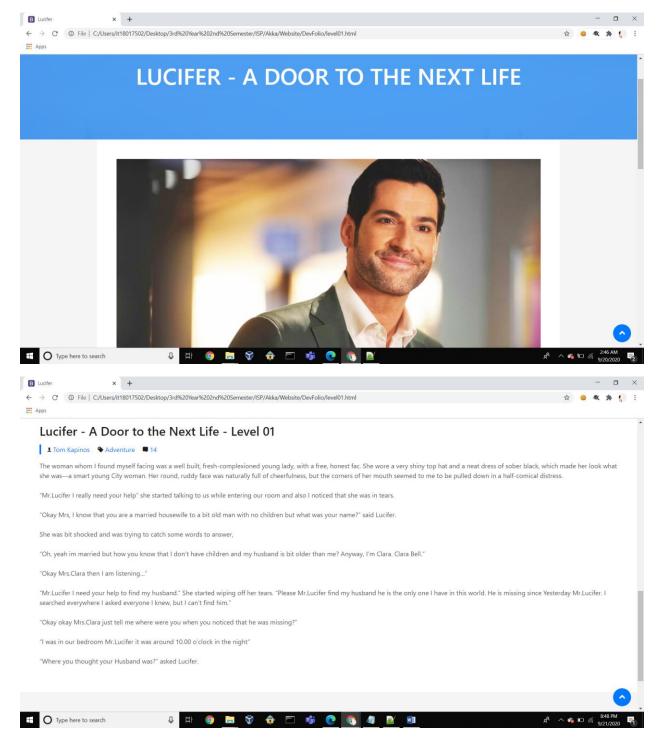






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• Each layer consists of a web page like this.





Levels

Although there are only 10 flags proposed in the proposal, we thought of changing the scenario to 13 levels. We have categorized the levels as, easy, medium and hard. Newly added three levels will be in the easy section. This was done to attract the player to the game.

Each flag is the answer to the question asked at the end of the relevant episode of the story.

Now up to this point we have implemented 08 levels.

Flag 01

First check the source code. In index page DoubleClick on the page and select view page source. First need to manually analyze the HTML content of the index page for any clue and some JavaScript's, which can be seen in the following screenshot.



In the page source Click MAIN.JS file. As you can see, we have hit the jackpot this time! Flag can be found there. Its bit easy to find as this is the beginning of the game.

This is how the flag can be seen inside the source code.

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items: 1,
}
});

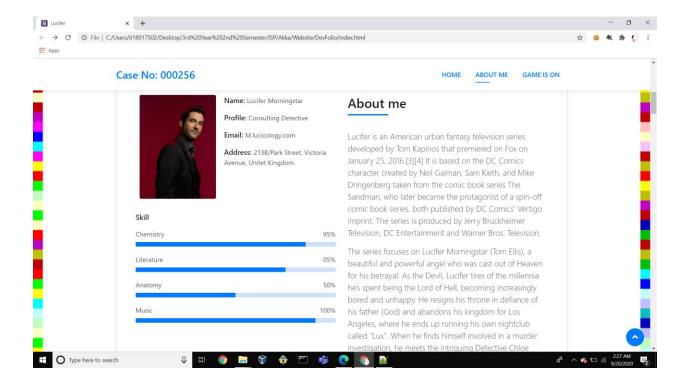
/*--/ Congratuulations!!!! /--*/
/*--/ LM - flag01{"I thought he is in the Garage" said Mrs.Clara} /--*/
})(jQuery);
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Advantage of the Layer:

Player will understand, without encryption it is easy to access in to hidden data. Attacker will be access the sensitive data by executing few codes.



Flag 02

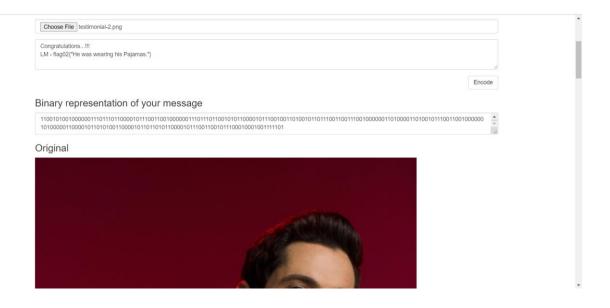


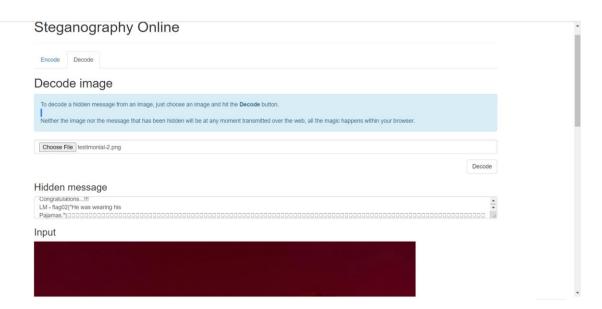
Here in this page we have given a short description about "Lucifer" simply it's his portfolio. As well as we have included his image at the top left corner of the page. This is a starter challenge to get one acquainted with the concept of steganography and is therefore quite straightforward where the flag is hidden in an image. So the challenge has to do something with the steghide.

It's a simple JPEG image, Downloaded the image file and with the use of an online stenographic tool very easily we can Decode it and get the flag. As it's the beginning of the game we kept the flag directly without encrypting the flag.

We implemented these levels to increase the enthusiasm of the player. And the player will get the idea of what is encrypting means.







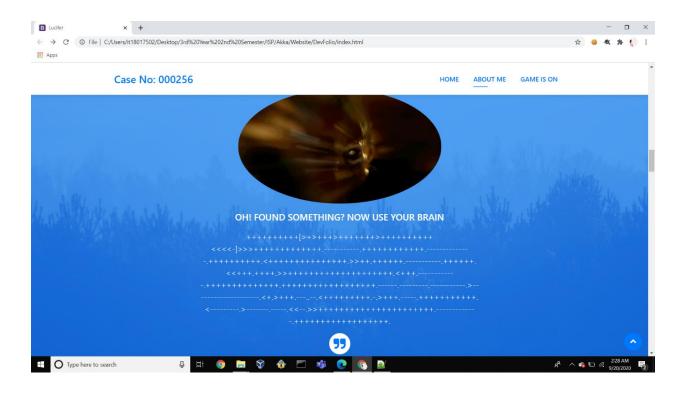
Advantage of the Layer:

Player will understand just doing steganography is not enough to save the data from leaking. A proper method of encryption is needed.



Here we have used Brainfuck programming language.it is the most famous esoteric programming language, and has inspired the creation of a host of other languages. This language only consists of 8 operators. we have encoded the flag using this language and with the use of an online decoder can obtain the meaningful message or the flag.

In here we are keeping a step closer to encryption. We can see that, the plain text is hidden inside an encrypted message and a normal person cannot understand what is in it.



As below, we can use an online decoder to the decode the message from Brainfuck Programming Language to Plain text.

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Ook! to Text

Text to Ook!

Text to Brainfuck

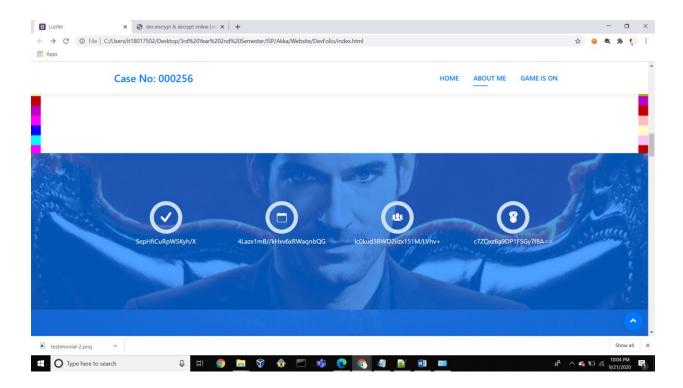
Text to short Ook!

Brainfuck to Text



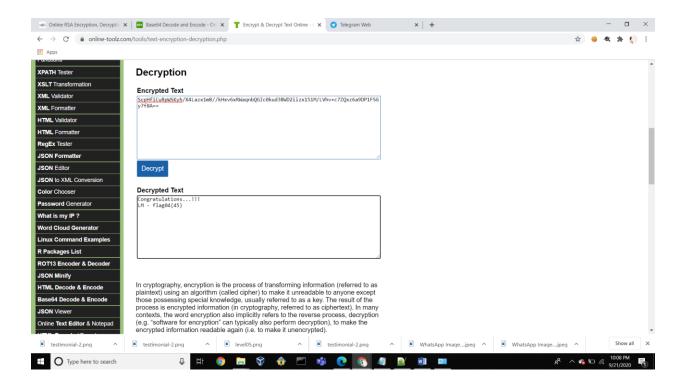
From the flag 04 onwards we planned to use encrypting and decrypting algorithms to continue on CTF. This is the Level 01 in the Medium levels. We implemented a simple encrypted text to decrypt it using an online decrypting website. The encrypted message can be find in the website.

First the player has to combine the four encrypted messages together. Player must notice every strange unreadable word in the webpage to find these messages.





Then he can use an online decrypting site to decrypt the message.

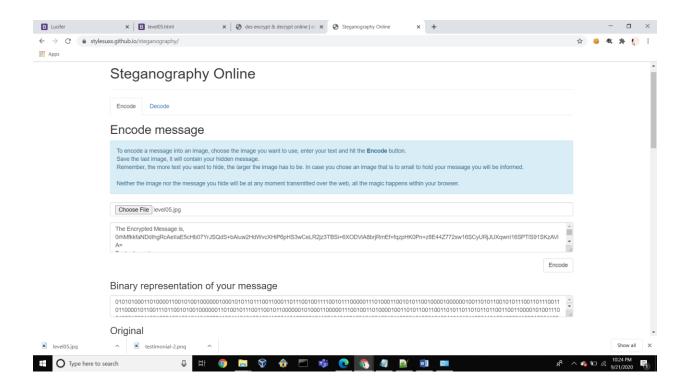


Advantage of the Level:

Having an algorithm is the best method to protect the messages. In here the player understand that without having a key to encrypt the message an attacker is able to decrypt them easily.



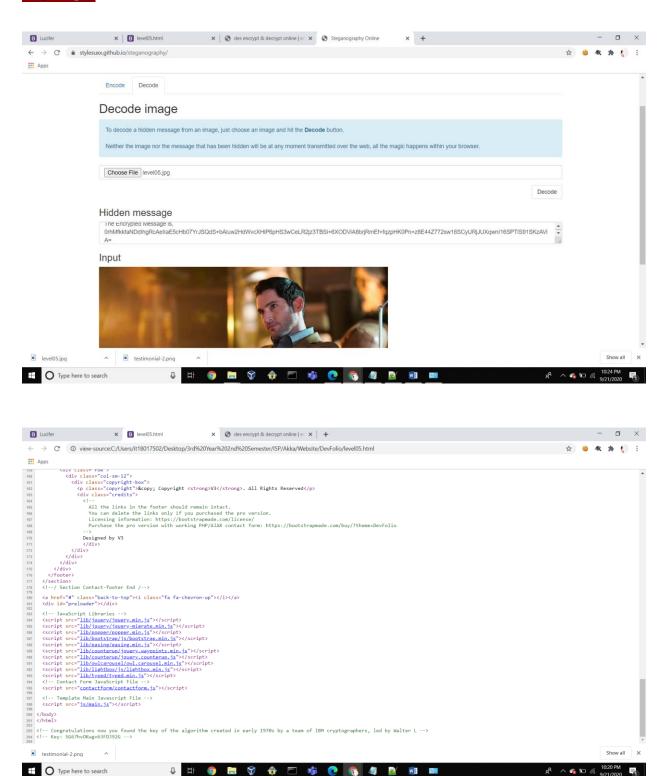
DES algorithm will be used in here. The player will understand the faults in DES algorithm. Level 02 in the Medium levels. As DES is a symmetric key cryptographic algorithm, the player will have to find a key to use in the decryption process. The encryption key will be hidden inside the source code of the page of the level. And key will be hidden as a stenographic message.

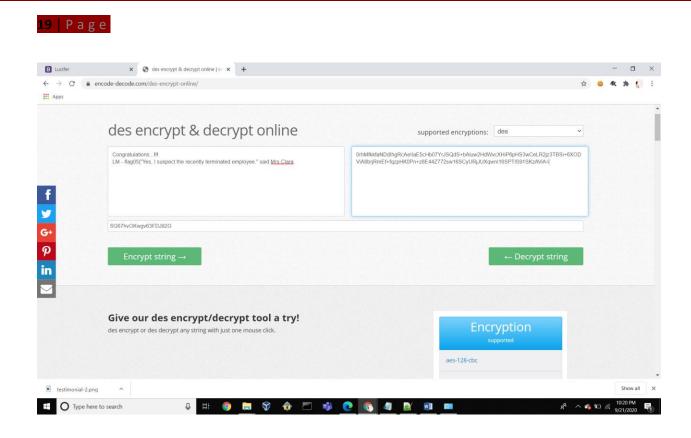


To get the flag, the player has to

- Decode the stenographic image.
- Then get the encrypted message.
- Get the encryption key from the source code.
- Then find the relevant algorithm according to the hints given.
- Then decrypt the encrypted message to get the flag.





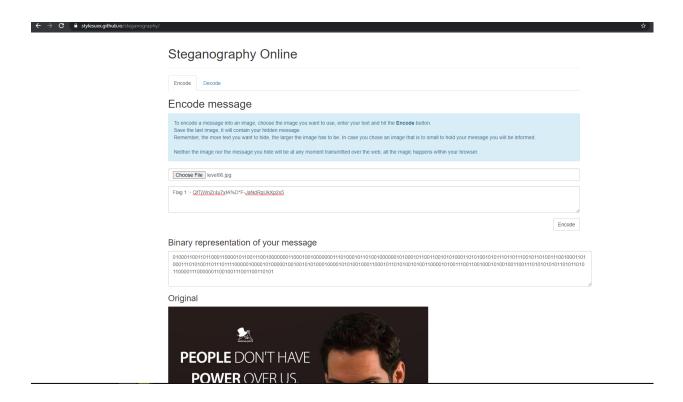


Advantage of the Level:

The player will understand that by having encryption algorithms, we can secure the messages effectively. Also to increase the security we can hide the encryption key. So with the use of the DES algorithm we can ensure the **security in transmission** of a message over an insecure network.



This level is planned to demonstrate the usage of Triple DES algorithm. As triple DES uses three different keys to encrypt the message, user have to use three keys decrypt the message. Not to forget we are talking about the 3 – key Triple DES here, although have another type (2 – key Triple DES) we are not talking about it here as it is much easier with respect to Triple DES here. The encryption keys will be hidden inside the sources code and images.



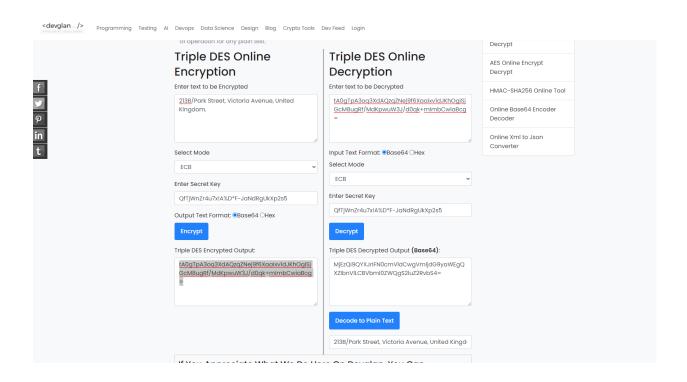
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"Chry "Okay Mrs.Clara I promise you to find your husband"

(chr) "Chry "
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Well the player may feel there is not much going in this level as this seems to be quite similar to the previous one. But don't forget we are using triple DES here which is much secure than the single DES algorithm.

Flag 07

SQL injection and another Cryptographic algorithm will be used.

Flag 08

XSS and another Cryptographic algorithm will be used.

