Day 4: Kali Linux (basics)

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> a bit on Kali Linux ...

- It is a Debian-based distribution designed for use by cybersecurity practitioners on things like pentesting and digital forensics.
- Comes preinstalled with 600+ tools for this work.
- Some of the benefits of using it for cybersecurity are:
 - tools are preconfigured, so no need to install them separately
 - nice organization of tools by the purpose they serve eg. exploitation,
 information gathering, etc.
 - cross-platform compatibility, meaning it can be installed and used across a variety of hardware platforms and architectures.

- To download Kali Linux: https://www.kali.org/get-kali/#kali-platforms

> demo: cracking a WPA key

- Challenge link: https://cybertalents.com/challenges/machines/wpa-crack

- Download the **cap** file (handshake capture): Remember the 'wget' command?
- Look through the 'Wireless Attack' tools and choose the right one (aircrack-ng)
- Go through its usage (manual pages or even help menu)
- Choose a wordlist to use (under 'Password Attacks' -> 'wordlists') eg.
 rockyou.txt
- Execute the command to start cracking ...
 - aircrack-ng-w/path/to/rockyou.txt/path/to/handshake.cap

> next steps

- Practise, practise, practise!
- Learn Bash scripting
- Learn version control with git
- Practice using Kali Linux (ethically!)
- Share your newly acquired knowledge & skills with others

- You can also now consider building your own cool Linux distro in future $\overset{\ }{ }\overset{\ }{ }\overset{\$

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