

Cookie Monster

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CATEGORY: Web



The screenshot shows a dark-themed challenge page for 'Cookie Monster'. At the top, the title 'Cookie Monster' is displayed in a large, stylized font. Below it is a large number '50'. Underneath the number is the author information 'By SEXA'. The main text of the challenge reads: 'Cookie Monster has hidden his top-secret cookie recipe somewhere on his website. As an aspiring cookie detective, your mission is to uncover this delectable secret. Can you outsmart Cookie Monster and find the hidden recipe?' At the bottom of the page, the URL 'https://ctfg-cookie-monster.vercel.app' is provided.

STEP BY STEP SOLUTION

The challenge itself says "COOKIE" so we go directly to the cookies section of the website
(INSPECT --> Application --> Cookies)

| Name | Value | D... | Pa... | Ex... | Size | H... | S... | Sa... | Pa... | Cr... | Pr... |
|---------------|--------------------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| secret_recipe | SURDezdoM193SW5... | ct... | / | 2... | 57 | ✓ | ✓ | Lax | | | M |

We see this cookie stored by the website.

The value of the cookie is: SURDezdoM193SW5uM3JfVGFrM3NfSTdfNGxsfQ==
This is definitely BASE64 encoded. Thus we use the base64 decoder

Base64

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SURDezdoM193SW5uM3JfVGFrM3NfSTdfNGxsfQ==
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Decode Base64 to Text

Text

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IDC{7h3_wInn3r_Tak3s_I7_4ll}
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<<https://base64.guru/converter/decode/text>>

And this gives us the flag directly

FLAG: IDC{7h3_wInn3r_Tak3s_I7_4ll}