

ROT ROT ROT Your Boat - Writeup

You get given the text

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You've reached Week 9, good job!
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Imagine if a Caesar Cipher just kept rotating, wouldn't that just cause your  
fun levels to raise from 32 to 365?!
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This is all a hint for what you need to do...

9 indicates the shift from which we'll start for our rotation cipher and 32 & 365 indicate the ASCII values to go between... from here it's a case of scripting how you'd like to solve this. Attached is the code for making this work.

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def encrypt(text, shift):  
    result = []  
    min_ascii, max_ascii = 32, 365 # Range of printable ASCII characters  
    ascii_range = max_ascii - min_ascii + 1 # Total number of characters in  
    this range  
  
    for char in text:  
        # Convert character to ASCII and apply the rotating shift  
        ascii_value = ord(char)  
        new_ascii = (ascii_value - min_ascii + shift) % ascii_range +  
min_ascii  
  
        # Convert back to char and add to our answer  
        result.append(chr(new_ascii))  
  
        # Increment shift for the next character to keep rotating  
        shift += 1  
  
    return ''.join(result)  
  
# Example usage  
text = 'I thought it would be funny to mess with you and make this way longer  
then it needed to be. Anyway, here is your flag: hacksoc_ctf{cRACKed_iTTTtt}'  
shift = 9  
a = encrypt(text, shift)  
print(a)  
f = open("output.txt", "a", encoding="UTF-8")
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f.write(a)  
f.close()
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