

Assignment – User Management

- 1) Create user "nikhil" with home directory set as "/home/nikhil"
 - a) nikhil user should have "/bin/sh" shell for his environment
 - b) His password should expire in 9 days and 2 days before password expiry, he should get warning. User account must expire in 1 month from creation date
 - c) Give him root privileges to start/stop cron daemon.

Step 1 : Create user "nikhil" with home directory set as "/home/nikhil"

nikhil user should have "/bin/sh" shell for his environment

Cmd – sudo useradd -m -d /home/nikhil -s /bin/bash

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ubuntu@ip-172-31-2-192:~$ sudo useradd -m -d /home/nikhil -s /bin/sh nikhil
ubuntu@ip-172-31-2-192:~$ grep nikhil /etc/passwd
nikhil:x:1017:1017::/home/nikhil:/bin/sh
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Step 2 : Set passwd expiry to 9 days 2 days before password expiry, he should get warning

Cmd – sudo chage -M 9 -W 2 nikhil

M – maximum no of day that passwd is valid

W – gets warning before n no of days (in this case it is 2).

His account must expire in 1 month from creation date

Cmd - sudo chage -E "2024-12-10" nikhil

For verifying

sudo chage -l nikhil

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ubuntu@ip-172-31-2-192:~$ sudo chage -M 9 -W 2 nikhil
ubuntu@ip-172-31-2-192:~$ sudo chage -l nikhil
Last password change                : Nov 10, 2024
Password expires                    : Nov 19, 2024
Password inactive                   : never
Account expires                    : never
Minimum number of days between password change : 0
Maximum number of days between password change : 9
Number of days of warning before password expires : 2
ubuntu@ip-172-31-2-192:~$ sudo chage -E "2024-12-10" nikhil
ubuntu@ip-172-31-2-192:~$ sudo chage -l nikhil
Last password change                : Nov 10, 2024
Password expires                    : Nov 19, 2024
Password inactive                   : never
Account expires                    : Dec 10, 2024
Minimum number of days between password change : 0
Maximum number of days between password change : 9
Number of days of warning before password expires : 2
ubuntu@ip-172-31-2-192:~$
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Step 3 : Give him root privileges to start/stop cron daemon

Cmd – sudo visudo

Visudo – this will open sudoers file in text editor where you add

Cmd - nikhil ALL=NOPASSWD: /usr/sbin/service cron start, /usr/sbin/service cron stop

to give start/stop cron daemon to nikhil

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# Ditto for GPG agent
#Defaults:%sudo env_keep += "GPG_AGENT_INFO"

# Host alias specification

# User alias specification

# Cmnd alias specification

# User privilege specification
root    ALL=(ALL:ALL) ALL
nikhil  ALL=NOPASSWD: /usr/sbin/service cron start, /usr/sbin/service cron stop

# Members of the admin group may gain root privileges
%admin   ALL=(ALL) ALL

# Allow members of group sudo to execute any command
%sudo    ALL=(ALL:ALL) ALL
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To Verify

Cmd - sudo service cron start
 sudo service cron stop

2) Inside folder "/", create new home directory as "nikhil" (/nikhil) and setup this folder as a home directory for user "nikhil"

To create new home directory as "nikhil"

Cmd - sudo mkdir /nikhil

To setup this folder as a home directory for user "nikhil"

Cmd - sudo usermod -d /nikhil nikhil

To verify

Cmd - grep nikhil /etc/passwd

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ubuntu@ip-172-31-2-192:~$ sudo mkdir /nikhil
ubuntu@ip-172-31-2-192:~$ sudo chown nikhil:nikhil /nikhil
ubuntu@ip-172-31-2-192:~$ sudo usermod -d /nikhil nikhil
ubuntu@ip-172-31-2-192:~$ grep nikhil /etc/passwd
nikhil:x:1017:1017::/nikhil:/bin/sh
ubuntu@ip-172-31-2-192:~$
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