

# CTF Quest

## Challenge Name: Docker Layer Leak

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### Challenge Overview

An internal build artifact named image.tar was provided. The description suggested sensitive data was removed but might still exist inside the file.

### Step 1 – Extract Archive

The archive was extracted using `tar -xf image.tar` to reveal Docker image layers.

### Step 2 – Inspect Layers

Each directory contained a layer.tar file representing filesystem changes in Docker.

### Step 3 – Search for Flag

A recursive search was performed to find any flag-related files.

### Step 4 – Whiteout Discovery

A file named `.wh.flag.txt` was discovered, indicating deletion of `flag.txt` in a newer layer.

### Step 5 – Recover Flag

The original `flag.txt` was located in an earlier layer and contained the hidden data.

### Final Flag

SECE{layers\_never\_forget}

### Conclusion

Docker images retain data in previous layers. Deleted files may still be recovered from older layers.