

The Game of Bandit

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Level 0: Entering the Game!

```
C:\Users\Ashique>ssh bandit0@bandit.labs.overthewire.org -p 2220
```

bandit

This is an OverTheWire game server.
More information on <http://www.overthewire.org/wargames>

bandit0@bandit.labs.overthewire.org's password:

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Welcome to OverTheWire!

The Password was *bandit0* provided on the website

Username: bandit0@bandit.labs.overthewire.org

Port: 2220

Level 0-1: First Steps

```
bandit0@bandit~$ ls
```

```
readme
```

```
bandit0@bandit~$ cat readme
```

Congratulations on your first steps into the bandit game!!

Please make sure you have read the rules at <https://overthewire.org/rules/>

If you are following a course, workshop, walkthrough or other educational activity, please inform the instructor about the rules as well and encourage them to contribute to the OverTheWire community so we can keep these games free!

The password you are looking for is: ZjLjTmM6FvyRnrb2rfNWOZOTa6ip5lf

```
bandit0@bandit~$ |
```

The password was found in the "readme" file

Level 1-2: Capturing Password from the (-) Dash filename

```
bandit1@bandit~$ ls
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```
bandit1@bandit~$ cat ./-
```

```
263JGJPfgU6LtdEvgfWU1XP5yac29mFx
```

```
bandit1@bandit~$ |
```

Level 2-3: -spaces in this filename-

```
bandit2@bandit~$ ls
```

```
--spaces in this filename--
```

```
bandit2@bandit~$ cat "--spaces in this filename--"
```

```
MNk8KNH3Usiio41PRUEoDFPqfxLPlSmx
```

```
bandit2@bandit~$ |
```

Level 3-4: Hidden file in the inhere directory

```
bandit3@bandit~$ ls
inhere
bandit3@bandit~$ cd inhere
bandit3@bandit~/inhere$ ls -sl
total 0
bandit3@bandit~/inhere$ ls -al
total 12
drwxr-xr-x 2 root  root  4096 Jul 28 19:03 .
drwxr-xr-x 3 root  root  4096 Jul 28 19:03 ..
-rw-r----- 1 bandit4 bandit3  33 Jul 28 19:03 ...Hiding-From-You
bandit3@bandit~/inhere$ cat "...Hiding-From-You"
2WmrDFRmJlq3IPxneAaMGhap0pFhF3NJ
bandit3@bandit~/inhere$ |
```

Level 4-5: Only human-readable file in the inhere directory

```

bandit4@bandit~$ ls
inhere
bandit4@bandit~$ cd inhere
bandit4@bandit~/inhere$ ls -al
total 48
drwxr-xr-x 2 root  root  4096 Jul 28 19:03 .
drwxr-xr-x 3 root  root  4096 Jul 28 19:03 ..
-rw-r----- 1 bandit5 bandit4  33 Jul 28 19:03 -file00
-rw-r----- 1 bandit5 bandit4  33 Jul 28 19:03 -file01
-rw-r----- 1 bandit5 bandit4  33 Jul 28 19:03 -file02
-rw-r----- 1 bandit5 bandit4  33 Jul 28 19:03 -file03
-rw-r----- 1 bandit5 bandit4  33 Jul 28 19:03 -file04
-rw-r----- 1 bandit5 bandit4  33 Jul 28 19:03 -file05
-rw-r----- 1 bandit5 bandit4  33 Jul 28 19:03 -file06
-rw-r----- 1 bandit5 bandit4  33 Jul 28 19:03 -file07
-rw-r----- 1 bandit5 bandit4  33 Jul 28 19:03 -file08
-rw-r----- 1 bandit5 bandit4  33 Jul 28 19:03 -file09
bandit4@bandit~/inhere$ cat ./-file07
4oQYVPkxZOOEOO5pTW81FB8j8lxXGUQw
bandit4@bandit~/inhere$

```

Level 5-6: Hidden in the inhere directory with some properties

```

bandit5@bandit~/inhere$ find ./maybehere17 -type f -size 32c
bandit5@bandit~/inhere$ find ./maybehere18 -type f -size 32c
bandit5@bandit~/inhere$ find ./maybehere19 -type f -size 32c
bandit5@bandit~/inhere$ find . -type f -exec grep -Eo '\b[a-zA-Z0-9]{32}\b' {} \;
HWasnPhtq9AVKe0dmk45nxy20cvUa6EG
bandit5@bandit~/inhere$

```

Code Explanation:

find . -type f = Find files only, not directories

-exec grep -Eo '\b. . . .\b' {} \; = Execute Command

grep -Eo '\b[a-zA-Z0-9]{32}\b' {} \; = the command is finding the files that contain capital and small letters, also all decimal numbers.

{32} = The Password of the file will only be 32 characters, noticed earlier

\b'{}\; = Executable closing clause

Level 6-7: somewhere on the server with properties

```
bandit6@bandit~$ find / -user bandit7 -group bandit6
find: '/sys/kernel/tracing': Permission denied
find: '/sys/kernel/debug': Permission denied
find: '/sys/fs/pstore': Permission denied
find: '/sys/fs/bpf': Permission denied
```

The properties were:

owned by user bandit7
owned by group bandit6
33 bytes in size

Note: I just noticed that it is 33 bytes in size, so if I add "-size 33c" with the command, then it could have found me the exact file.

```
find: '/home/bandit31-git': Permission denied
bandit6@bandit~$ cat /var/lib/dpkg/info/bandit7.password
morbNTDkSW6jllUc0ymOdMaLnOlFVAaj
bandit6@bandit~$
```

Found the password.

Level 7-8: data.txt next to the word millionth

```
bandit7@bandit~$ grep -i millionth data.txt
millionth dfwvzFQi4mU0wfNbFOe9RoWskMLg7eEc
bandit7@bandit~$
```

Level 8-9: data.txt only line of text is password; others were binary

```
bandit8@bandit~$ sort data.txt | uniq -u
4CKMh1JI91bUIZZPXDqGanal4xvAg0JM
bandit8@bandit~$ logout
Connection to bandit.labs.overthewire.org closed.
```

Code Explanation

`sort data.txt` = Puts all the lines in lexicographical order

`| uniq` = Removes duplicate lines

`-u` = Print the unique lines

Level 9-10: stored in the file data.txt with conditions.

Conditions were

- Few human-readable strings
- Preceeded by several (==) characters

```
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  /        
  d w n !    kZM9(Q 2  b     U    T<+  
    j     bandit9@bandit~$ strings data.txt | grep "=="
===== the
D===== password
w===== is
|2m==
===== FGUW5iILVJrxX9kMYMmIN4MgbpfMiqey
bandit9@bandit~$
```

Code Explanation

`strings data.txt` = string only print ASCII strings

`| grep"=="` = And also find with several (==) Characters\

Level 10-11: Stored in `data.txt`, which contains base64 encoded data

```
bandit10@bandit~$ ls -la
total 24
drwxr-xr-x 2 root  root  4096 Jul 28 19:03 .
drwxr-xr-x 150 root  root  4096 Jul 28 19:06 ..
-rw-r--r-- 1 root  root   220 Mar 31 2024 .bash_logout
-rw-r--r-- 1 root  root  3851 Jul 28 18:47 .bashrc
-rw-r----- 1 bandit11 bandit10 69 Jul 28 19:03 data.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 root  root   807 Mar 31 2024 .profile
bandit10@bandit~$ cat data.txt
VGhlIHhBhc3N3b3JkdGlzIGR0UjE3M2ZaS2lwUUzREZTR3NnMUXbnBOVmozcVJyCg==
bandit10@bandit~$ base64 data.txt
VkdobEIlQmhjM04zYjNka0lHbHpJR1lwVWpFM00yWmFTMkI3VWxKeUFWIRSM05uTWxKWGJuQk9W
bW96Y1ZKeUNnPT0K
bandit10@bandit~$ base64 -d data.txt
The password is dtR173fZKb0RRsDFSGsg2RWnpNVj3qRr
bandit10@bandit~$
```

Code Explanation :

`base64 -d data.txt` = base64 (-d) decode the file `data.txt`

Level 11-12: Playing with Rot13

```
bandit11@bandit~$ ls -al
total 24
drwxr-xr-x 2 root root 4096 Jul 28 19:03 .
drwxr-xr-x 150 root root 4096 Jul 28 19:06 ..
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 220 Mar 31 2024 .bash_logout
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 3851 Jul 28 18:47 .bashrc
-rw-r----- 1 bandit12 bandit11 49 Jul 28 19:03 data.txt
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 807 Mar 31 2024 .profile
bandit11@bandit~$ cat data.txt
Gur cnffjbeq vf 7k16JArUVv5LxVuJfsSVdbbtaHGlw9D4
bandit11@bandit~$
bandit11@bandit~$
bandit11@bandit~$ cat data.txt | rot13 ="tr 'A-Za-z' 'N-ZA-Mn-za-m' "
Command 'rot13' not found, but can be installed with:
apt install bsdgames # version 2.17-30, or
apt install hxttools # version 20231101-1
Ask your administrator to install one of them.
bandit11@bandit~$ cat data.txt | tr A-Za-zN-ZA-Mn-za-m
tr: missing operand after 'A-Za-zN-ZA-Mn-za-m'
Two strings must be given when translating.
Try 'tr --help' for more information.
bandit11@bandit~$ cat data.txt | tr A-Za-z N-ZA-M n-za-m
tr: extra operand 'N-ZA-M'
Try 'tr --help' for more information.
bandit11@bandit~$ cat data.txt | tr a-zA-Z n-za-mN-ZA-M ←
The password is 7x16WNeHli5YklhWsfFlqoognUTyj9Q4
bandit11@bandit~$ ^C
bandit11@bandit~$ logout
Connection to bandit.labs.overthewire.org closed.
```

Code Explanation

`cat data.txt` = Reads data.txt

`| tr a-zA-Z n-za-mN-ZA-M` = Translate the rot13 combination