CYBERSECURITY DAILY DIARY

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Topics Covered:

- Install Kali Linux in VM
- Allocate resources, complete installation, enable snapshots.

What did I learn:

Today I completed the installation of **Kali Linux** in my virtual lab. This wasn't just a technical task—it was a foundational moment in building my cybersecurity environment. Every step felt like laying bricks for the analyst I'm becoming.

Resource Allocation

I chose **VirtualBox** as my hypervisor and allocated:

- 2–4 GB RAM depending on workload
- 2 CPU cores for multitasking
- 20–40 GB disk space (dynamically allocated)
- Bridged or NAT network adapter for internet access and packet capture

This setup balances performance with flexibility, letting me run tools like Wireshark, Nmap, and Metasploit without lag.

Installation Steps

- Mounted the **Kali ISO** in VirtualBox.
- Booted into the installer and selected **Graphical Install**.
- Configured hostname, timezone, and user credentials.
- Chose guided partitioning with all files in one partition.
- Installed GRUB bootloader and completed setup.

The first boot felt like unlocking a new dimension—Kali greeted me with its sleek interface and powerful toolset.