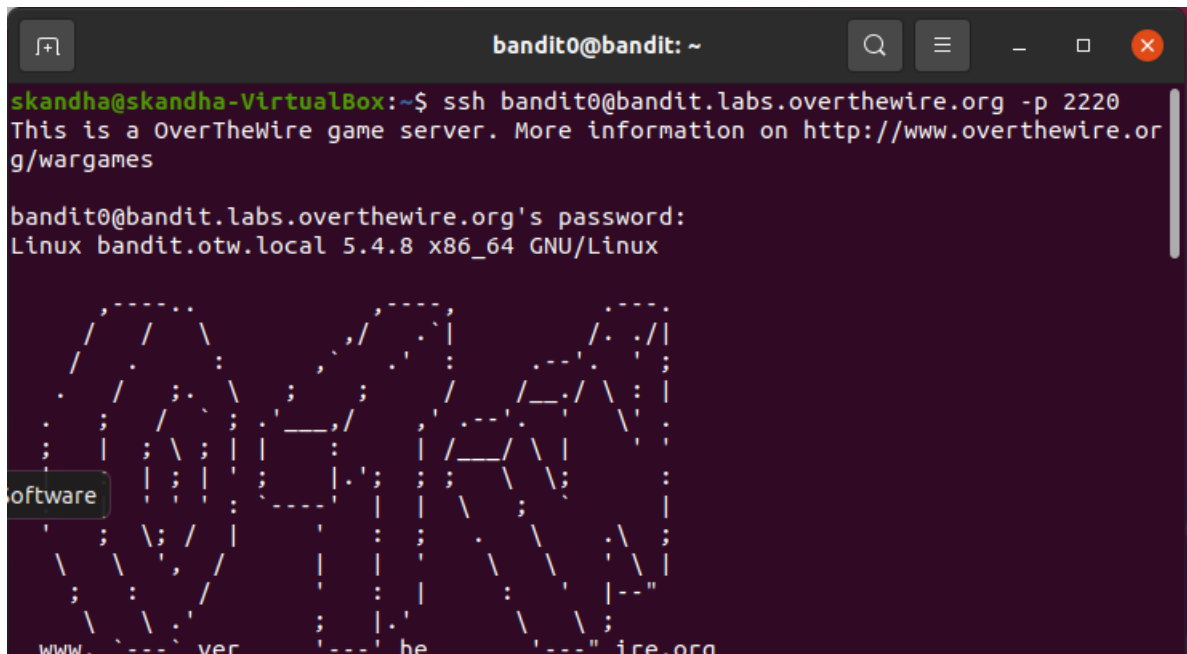
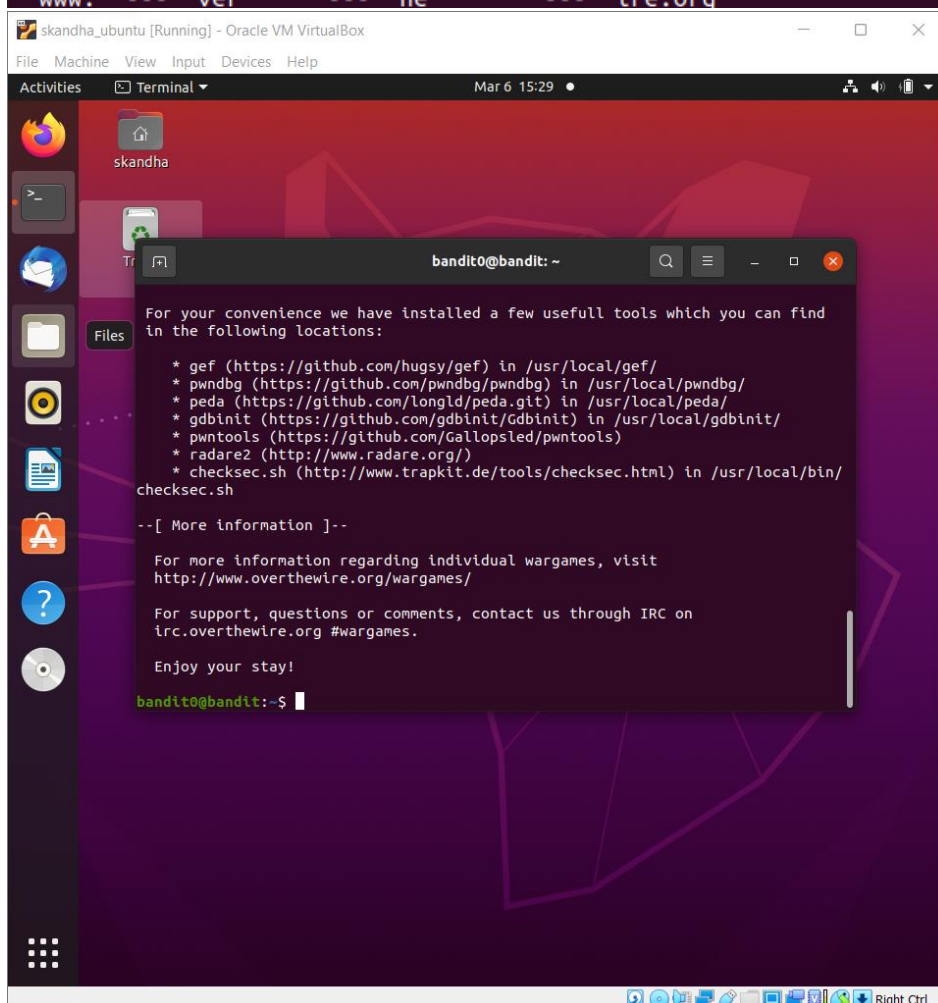


Accessing Level 0

We use ssh command to access level 0

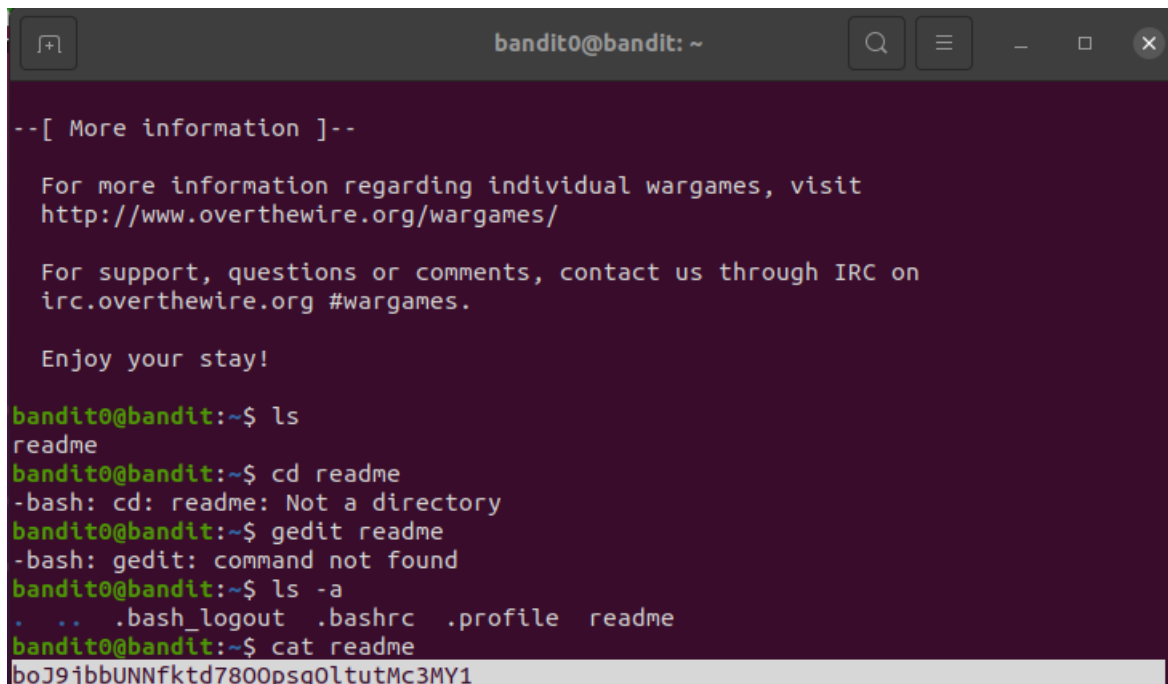


```
bandit0@bandit: ~  
skandha@skandha-VirtualBox:~$ ssh bandit0@bandit.labs.overthewire.org -p 2220  
This is a OverTheWire game server. More information on http://www.overthewire.org/wargames  
  
bandit0@bandit.labs.overthewire.org's password:  
Linux bandit.otw.local 5.4.8 x86_64 GNU/Linux  
  
OverTheWire.org
```



Level 0 to Level 1

We use cat command to open the readme file

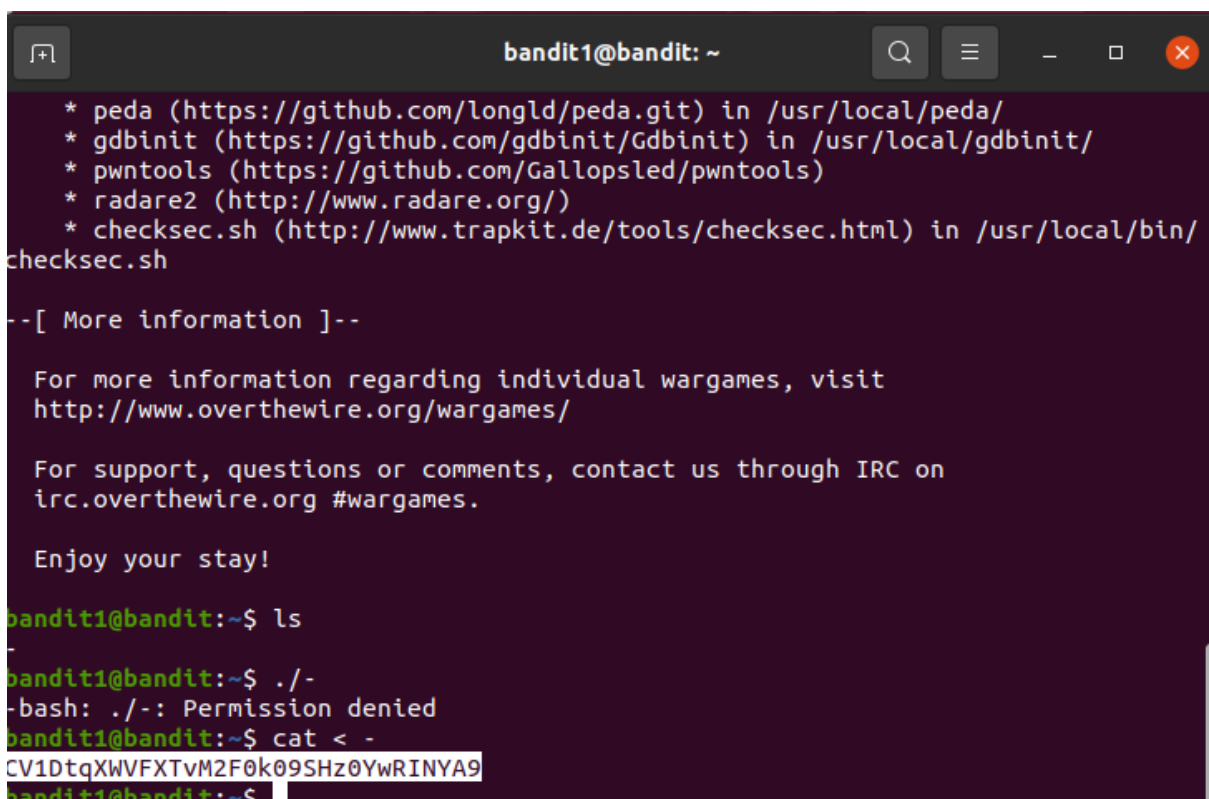
A terminal window titled 'bandit0@bandit: ~' showing the process of finding the next level password. It starts with a message about wargames, followed by commands to list files, change directory, and use gedit. Finally, the 'cat' command is used to read the 'readme' file, which outputs the password 'boJ9jbbUNNfktd780OpsqOltutMc3MY1'.

```
bandit0@bandit: ~  
--[ More information ]--  
  
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Enjoy your stay!  
  
bandit0@bandit:~$ ls  
readme  
bandit0@bandit:~$ cd readme  
-bash: cd: readme: Not a directory  
bandit0@bandit:~$ gedit readme  
-bash: gedit: command not found  
bandit0@bandit:~$ ls -a  
.  ..  .bash_logout  .bashrc  .profile  readme  
bandit0@bandit:~$ cat readme  
boJ9jbbUNNfktd780OpsqOltutMc3MY1
```

The password for the next level is **boJ9jbbUNNfktd780OpsqOltutMc3MY1**

Level 1 to Level 2

We again use cat command but since the filename has a dash at the beginning, we use cat <-

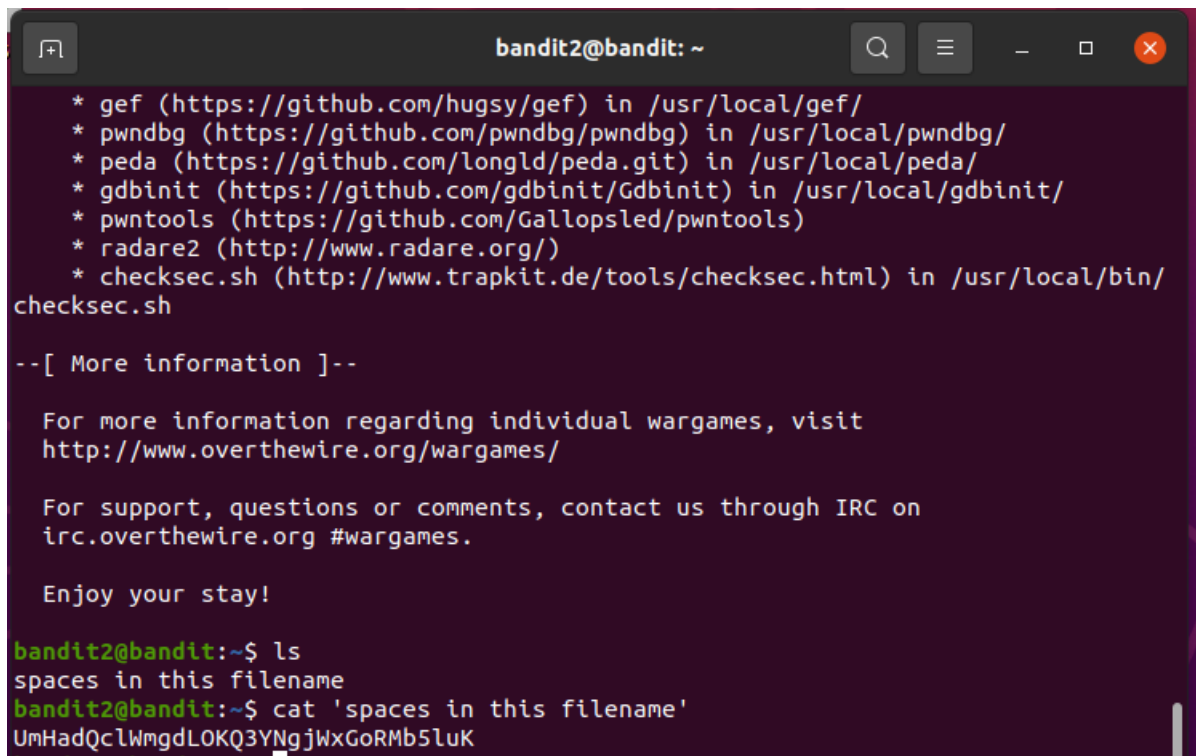
A terminal window titled 'bandit1@bandit: ~' showing the process of finding the next level password. It starts with a list of tools, followed by a message about wargames, and then commands to list files and run a script. Finally, the 'cat' command is used with a dash to read the file, which outputs the password 'CV1DtqXWVFXTvM2F0k09SHz0YwRINYA9'.

```
bandit1@bandit: ~  
* peda (https://github.com/longld/peda.git) in /usr/local/peda/  
* gdbinit (https://github.com/gdbinit/Gdbinit) in /usr/local/gdbinit/  
* pwntools (https://github.com/Gallopsled/pwntools)  
* radare2 (http://www.radare.org/)  
* checksec.sh (http://www.trapkit.de/tools/checksec.html) in /usr/local/bin/  
checksec.sh  
  
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bandit1@bandit:~$ ls  
-  
bandit1@bandit:~$ ./-  
-bash: ./-: Permission denied  
bandit1@bandit:~$ cat < -  
CV1DtqXWVFXTvM2F0k09SHz0YwRINYA9  
bandit1@bandit:~$
```

The password for the next level is **CV1DtqXWVFXTvM2F0k09SHz0YwRINYA9**

Level 2 to Level 3

We again use cat command but we use single quotes to open the file since it has spaces in its name

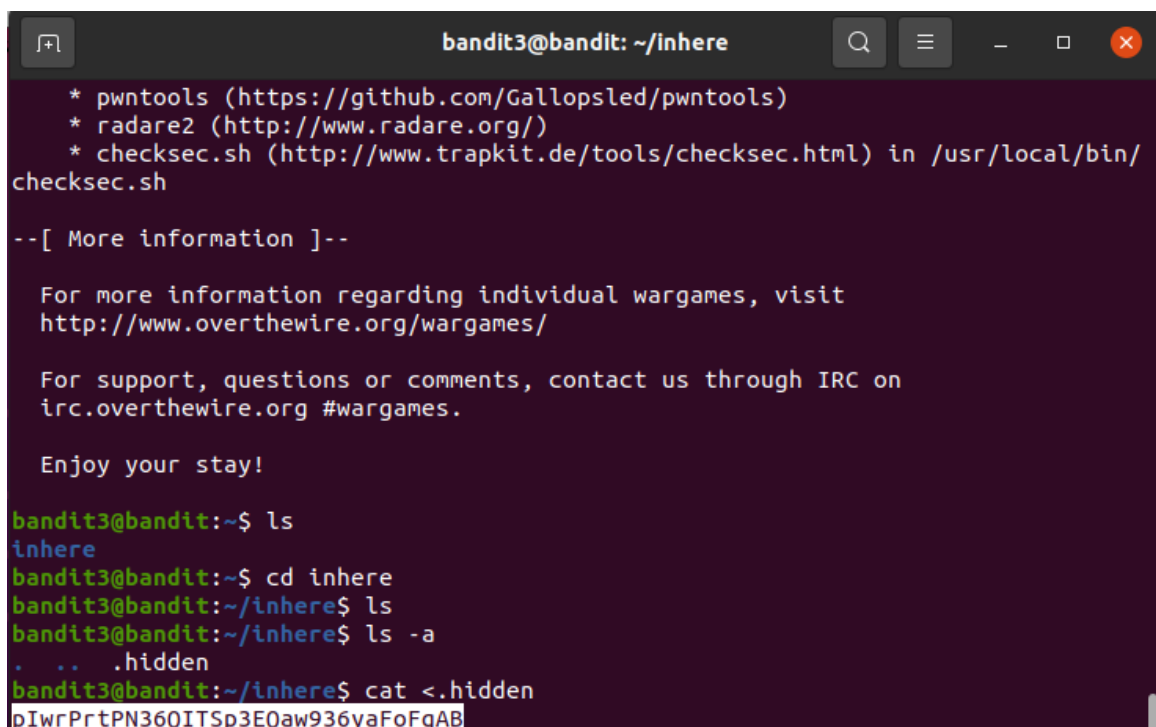
A terminal window titled 'bandit2@bandit: ~' showing a list of tools and their locations. The user then runs 'ls' and 'cat' to find a file with spaces in its name.

```
bandit2@bandit: ~  
* gef (https://github.com/hugsy/gef) in /usr/local/gef/  
* pwndbg (https://github.com/pwndbg/pwndbg) in /usr/local/pwndbg/  
* peda (https://github.com/longld/peda.git) in /usr/local/peda/  
* gdbinit (https://github.com/gdbinit/Gdbinit) in /usr/local/gdbinit/  
* pwntools (https://github.com/Gallopsled/pwntools)  
* radare2 (http://www.radare.org/)  
* checksec.sh (http://www.trapkit.de/tools/checksec.html) in /usr/local/bin/  
checksec.sh  
  
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bandit2@bandit:~$ ls  
spaces in this filename  
bandit2@bandit:~$ cat 'spaces in this filename'  
UmHadQclWmgdLOKQ3YNgjWxGoRmb5luK
```

The password for the next level is **UmHadQclWmgdLOKQ3YNgjWxGoRmb5luK**

Level 3 to Level 4

We use ls -a to find hidden files of a directory after that we use the cat command to find the file.

A terminal window titled 'bandit3@bandit: ~/inhere' showing the user navigating to the 'inhere' directory and using 'ls -a' to find a hidden file. The user then runs 'cat' to read the file's contents.

```
bandit3@bandit: ~/inhere  
* pwntools (https://github.com/Gallopsled/pwntools)  
* radare2 (http://www.radare.org/)  
* checksec.sh (http://www.trapkit.de/tools/checksec.html) in /usr/local/bin/  
checksec.sh  
  
--[ More information ]--  
  
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Enjoy your stay!  
  
bandit3@bandit:~$ ls  
inhere  
bandit3@bandit:~$ cd inhere  
bandit3@bandit:~/inhere$ ls  
bandit3@bandit:~/inhere$ ls -a  
. .. .hidden  
bandit3@bandit:~/inhere$ cat <./.hidden  
pIwrPrtPN36QITSp3EQaw936yaFoFgAB
```

The password for the next level is **pIwrPrtPN36QITSp3EQaw936yaFoFgAB**

Level 4 to Level 5

We can open each file one by one to find the password or use the find command to find the file with ASCII text and then open the required file.

```
bandit4@bandit: ~/inhere
file: Cannot open `ile00' (No such file or directory).
bandit4@bandit:~/inhere$ cat <-file01
p,k;er*  .!C  dx,bandit4@bandit:~/inhere$ cat <-file02
e)#5
  pV_  mmbandit4@bandit:~/inhere$ cat <-file03
h!TQO`4"aP7phT,Abandit4@bandit:~/inhere$ cat <-file04
?bandit4@bandit:~/inhere$ cat <-file05
rOl$?h9('!yee#x0==bandit4@bandit:~/inhere$ cat <-file06
ly~Afe-E{mmMbandit4@bandit:~/inhere$ cat <-file07
koReBOKuIDDepwhWk7jZC0RTdopnAYKh
bandit4@bandit:~/inhere$ file -- *
-file00: data
-file01: data
-file02: data
-file03: data
-file04: data
-file05: data
-file06: data
-file07: ASCII text
-file08: data
-file09: data
bandit4@bandit:~/inhere$ cat<-file07
koReBOKuIDDepwhWk7jZC0RTdopnAYKh
bandit4@bandit:~/inhere$
```

The password for the next level is **koReBOKuIDDepwhWk7jZC0RTdopnAYKh**

Level 5 to Level 6

Here if we use the find command with the size parameter, we can narrow down the needed file. After that we can use the cd and cat command consecutively to find the password

```
bandit5@bandit: ~/inhere/maybehere07
maybehere18: directory
maybehere19: directory
bandit5@bandit:~/inhere$ find -size 1033.c
find: Invalid argument `1033.c' to -size
bandit5@bandit:~/inhere$ find -size 1033c
./maybehere07/.file2
bandit5@bandit:~/inhere$ file ./maybehere07/.file2
./maybehere07/.file2: ASCII text, with very long lines
bandit5@bandit:~/inhere$ cd maybehere07
bandit5@bandit:~/inhere/maybehere07$ cat .file2
DXjZPULLxYr17uwoI01bNLQbtFemEgo7
bandit5@bandit:~/inhere/maybehere07$
```

The password for the next level is **DXjZPULLxYr17uwoI01bNLQbtFemEgo7**

Level 6 to Level 7

We use find command with user, size and group parameters and enter the needed parameters

In the list we can find the file `./var/lib/dpkg/info/bandit7.password` and then use the cat command to find the password

```
bandit6@bandit: /
find: './run/screen/S-bandit17': Permission denied
find: './run/screen/S-bandit2': Permission denied
find: './run/screen/S-bandit22': Permission denied
find: './run/screen/S-bandit21': Permission denied
find: './run/screen/S-bandit14': Permission denied
find: './run/screen/S-bandit13': Permission denied
find: './run/screen/S-bandit24': Permission denied
find: './run/screen/S-bandit23': Permission denied
find: './run/shm': Permission denied
find: './run/lock/lvm': Permission denied
find: './var/spool/bandit24': Permission denied
find: './var/spool/cron/crontabs': Permission denied
find: './var/spool/rsyslog': Permission denied
find: './var/tmp': Permission denied
find: './var/lib/apt/lists/partial': Permission denied
find: './var/lib/polkit-1': Permission denied
./var/lib/dpkg/info/bandit7.password
find: './var/log': Permission denied
find: './var/cache/apt/archives/partial': Permission denied
find: './var/cache/ldconfig': Permission denied
bandit6@bandit:/$ ^C
bandit6@bandit:/$ cat <./var/lib/dpkg/info/bandit7.password
HKBPTKQnIay4Fw76bEy8PVxKEDQRKTzs
bandit6@bandit:/$
```

The password for the next level is `HKBPTKQnIay4Fw76bEy8PVxKEDQRKTzs`

Level 7 to Level 8

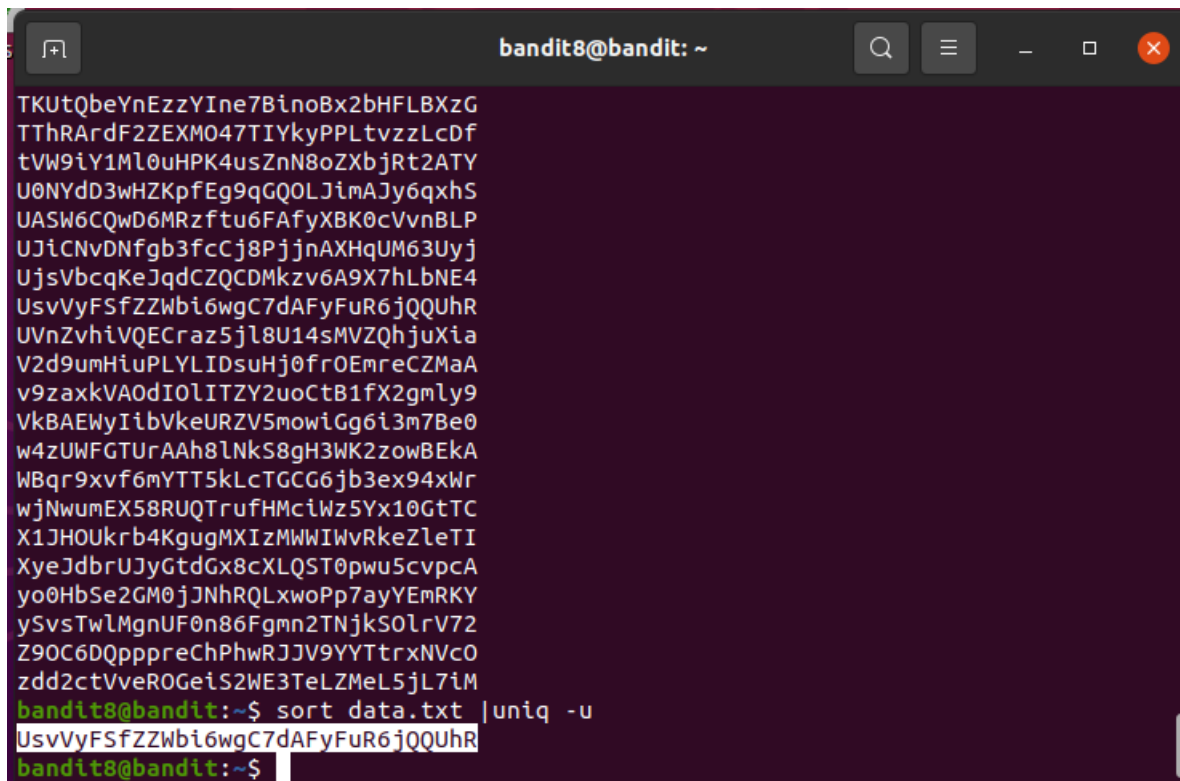
Here we use the grep command and find the line in the file with the password as given in the question

```
bandit7@bandit: ~
knotting      vh268WJXw10Snszed9MVAHD4rTP69lZr
hymnals       7MqsN32lFDbPgtAX6cwFbMZcPAMUoae
Fremont       tCy02wC8xdpFqjLZ8xdBQYAHFZPHk7ls
punter's      zAfzaA1IOuBSamCR6eHmRoc9oNXPQ16a
junking       6Tlr5K8YZ1d2Xsdu3TTFYXWB6WOMXyT
Aymara        zSeU0UyD8Q6a6YPwaCLRBbk1x8kFBEC
waned         gL59r6xvewh5y8t0mgIntHtCUMG8S6Id
conceded      TWLUptX3HbwD4qsY0Q9sEN0n0iNy79sC
kilned        kLjrgoJvftIyUyotuOI4cxFcXQXbC6aS
Santayana     KKn1I4fuWdzKyvffp1aYrBDzQa3Tr3Pk
Antigua       dRyNiegAg00kCgrKVQFXMXS06vFarL55
heyday        UAGWMLFzylGa4fHpQZEeLUQEZ5JlUpyX
praiseworthiness's bJR80uGXM4dH7lp9hHB3mbFBMMwLNKNq
separatism    p2167YTCJseAv4YhLZNb2fs7JivLDLUW
plan          PLz4ZXwX02fEe4oMd1I78wQXL4MIMxTf
confrontation KLHScgMgzyBQYxBXkxsjKcQ2A5erDIjL
briquet's     aHc51xHj1t3ANF7jH26dd7mHWBfd8VKz
encapsulate   ST0VYQEMWtFz54JtjJRrhdXgZcfVw8lS
wildfowls     PqcMofjmKj8NBv09exdu7FY2NG6WUMzb
Finland       xgXsIYgqUCMrMoT7W2dSwTG1DCvBRvU
bandit7@bandit:~$ cat data.txt|grep millionth
millionth     cvX2JJJa4CFALtqS87jk27qwqGhBM9pIV
bandit7@bandit:~$ ^C
bandit7@bandit:~$
```

The password for the next level is `cvX2JJJa4CFALtqS87jk27qwqGhBM9pIV`

Level 8 to Level 9

Here in this level, we pipe the sort and uniq with -u parameter to get the only line which is the password for the next level



```
bandit8@bandit: ~  
TKUtQbeYnEzzYIne7BinoBx2bHFLBXzG  
TThRardF2ZEXM047TIYkyPPLtvzzLcDf  
tVW9iY1Ml0uHPK4usZnN8oZXbjRt2ATY  
U0NYdD3wHZKpfEg9qGQOLJinAJy6qxhS  
UASW6CQwD6MRzftu6FAfyXBK0cVvnBLP  
UJiCNvDNfGb3fcCj8PjjnAXHqUM63Uyj  
UjsVbcqKeJqdCZQCDMkzv6A9X7hLbNE4  
UsvVyFSfZZWbi6wgC7dAFyFuR6jQQUhr  
UVnZvhiVQECraz5jl8U14sMVZQhjuXia  
V2d9umHiuPLYLIDsuHj0froEmreCZMaA  
v9zaxkVA0dIOlITZY2uoCtB1fX2gmly9  
VkBAEWyIibVkeURZV5mowiGg6i3m7Be0  
w4zUWFGTUrAAh8lnkS8gH3WK2zowBEkA  
WBqr9xvf6mYTT5kLcTGGG6jb3ex94xWr  
wjNnumEX58RUQTrufHMcIWz5Yx10GtTC  
X1JHOUkrb4KgugMXIzMMWIWvRkeZleTI  
XyeJdbrUJyGtdGx8cXLQST0pwu5cvpcA  
yo0HbSe2GM0jJNhrQLxwoPp7ayYEmRKY  
ySvsTwlMgnUF0n86FgmN2TNjks0lrv72  
Z9OC6DQpppreChPhwRJJV9YYTtrxNVc0  
zdd2ctVver0GeiS2WE3TeLZMeL5jL7iM  
bandit8@bandit:~$ sort data.txt | uniq -u  
UsvVyFSfZZWbi6wgC7dAFyFuR6jQQUhr  
bandit8@bandit:~$
```

The password for the next level is **UsvVyFSfZZWbi6wgC7dAFyFuR6jQQUhr**

Level 9 to Level 10

Here we use strings command for the readable text and grep with = and pipe them together

We can then find the password for next Level



```
bandit9@bandit:~$ strings data.txt | grep =  
===== the*2i"4  
=:G e  
===== password  
<I=zsGi  
Z)====== is  
A=|t&E  
Zdb=  
c^ LAh=3G  
*SF=s  
&===== truKLdjsbJ5g7yyJ2X2R0o3a5HQJFuLk  
S=A.H&^
```

The password for the next level is **truKLdjsbJ5g7yyJ2X2R0o3a5HQJFuLk**

Level 10 to Level 11

Here we use the base64 with -d to decrypt the encoded data and find the password for the next Level

```
bandit10@bandit: ~  
in/checksec.sh  
--[ More information ]--  
  
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bandit10@bandit:~$ ls  
data.txt  
bandit10@bandit:~$ data.txt  
-bash: data.txt: command not found  
bandit10@bandit:~$ cat data.txt  
VGhlIHBhc3N3b3JkIGlzIElGdWt3S0dzRlc4TU9xM0lSRnFyeEUxaHhUTkViVVBSCg==  
bandit10@bandit:~$ base64 data.txt  
VkdobEliQmhjM04zYjNKa0lhbHpJRWxHZFd0M1MwZHpSbGM0VFU5eE0wbFNSbkZ5ZUVVeGFiaFVU  
a1ZpVlZCU0NnPT0K  
bandit10@bandit:~$ base64 -d data.txt  
The password is IFukwKGsFW8MOq3IRFqrxE1hxTNEbUPR  
bandit10@bandit:~$
```

The password for the next level is IFukwKGsFW8MOq3IRFqrxE1hxTNEbUPR

Level 11 to Level 12

We use the tr command and use the encoding pattern of ROT13 and then translate the file to find the next password

```
bandit11@bandit: ~  
* pwntools (https://github.com/Gallopsled/pwntools)  
* radare2 (http://www.radare.org/)  
* checksec.sh (http://www.trapkit.de/tools/checksec.html) in /usr/local/b  
in/checksec.sh  
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bandit11@bandit:~$ ls  
data.txt  
bandit11@bandit:~$ tr 'A-Za-z' 'N-ZA-Mn-za-m' data.txt  
tr: extra operand 'data.txt'  
Try 'tr --help' for more information.  
bandit11@bandit:~$ man tr  
bandit11@bandit:~$ tr 'A-Za-z' 'N-ZA-Mn-za-m'< data.txt  
The password is 5Te8Y4drgCRfCx8ugdwuEX8KFC6k2EUu  
bandit11@bandit:~$
```

The password for the next level is 5Te8Y4drgCRfCx8ugdwuEX8KFC6k2EUu

Level 12 to Level 13

In this Level we use the temporary directory and create a directory there and then copy the data.txt file to this the directory we have created and then use xxd -r on the data.txt file and direct it to file (here named test). Here the test file will be of gz (using file command). So rename it with .gz extension.

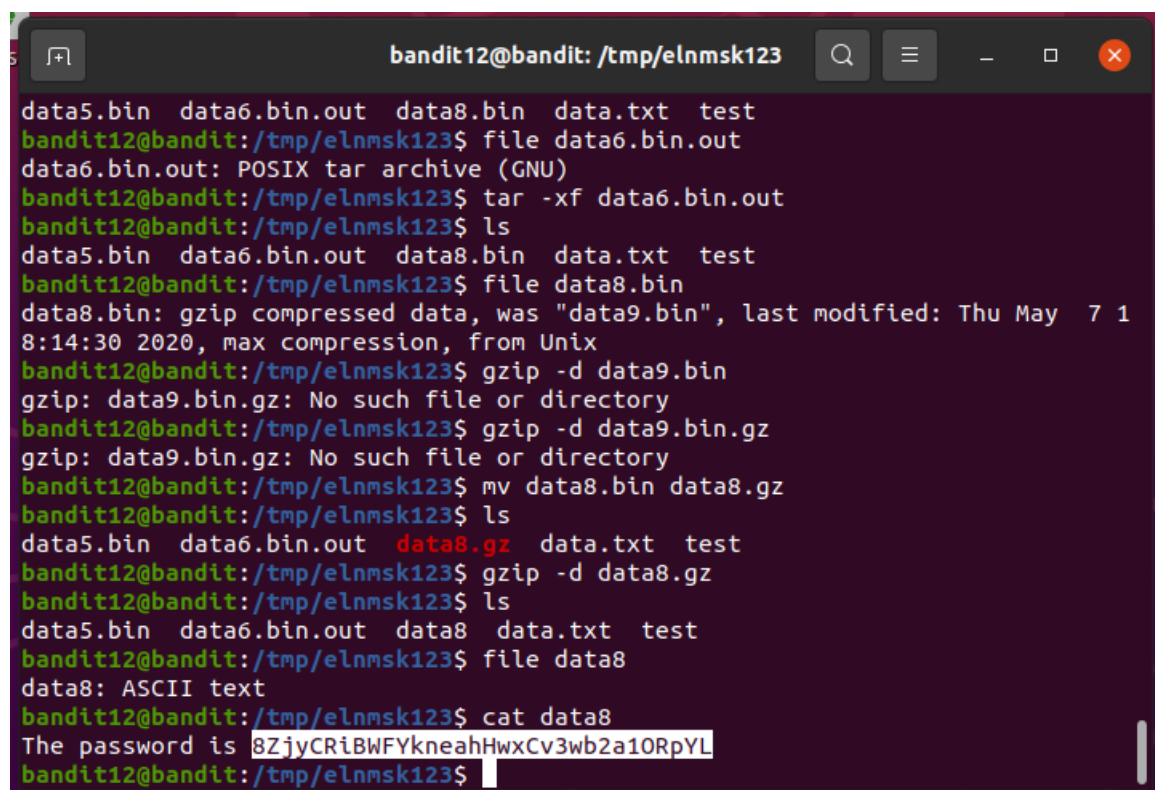
After this use gzip -d to decompress the file.

Since there are many consecutive steps, I have mentioned the types of files and how to decompress it.

- Bzip2: We use bzip2 -d to decompress the file
- Tar: We use tar -xf to decompress the file

Note: Some of the file names will be not right and the type may not be right, so by using the file command we can find the right name and type of the file and then decompress the correct way.

Finally, we get an ASCII text file where the password can be retrieved.

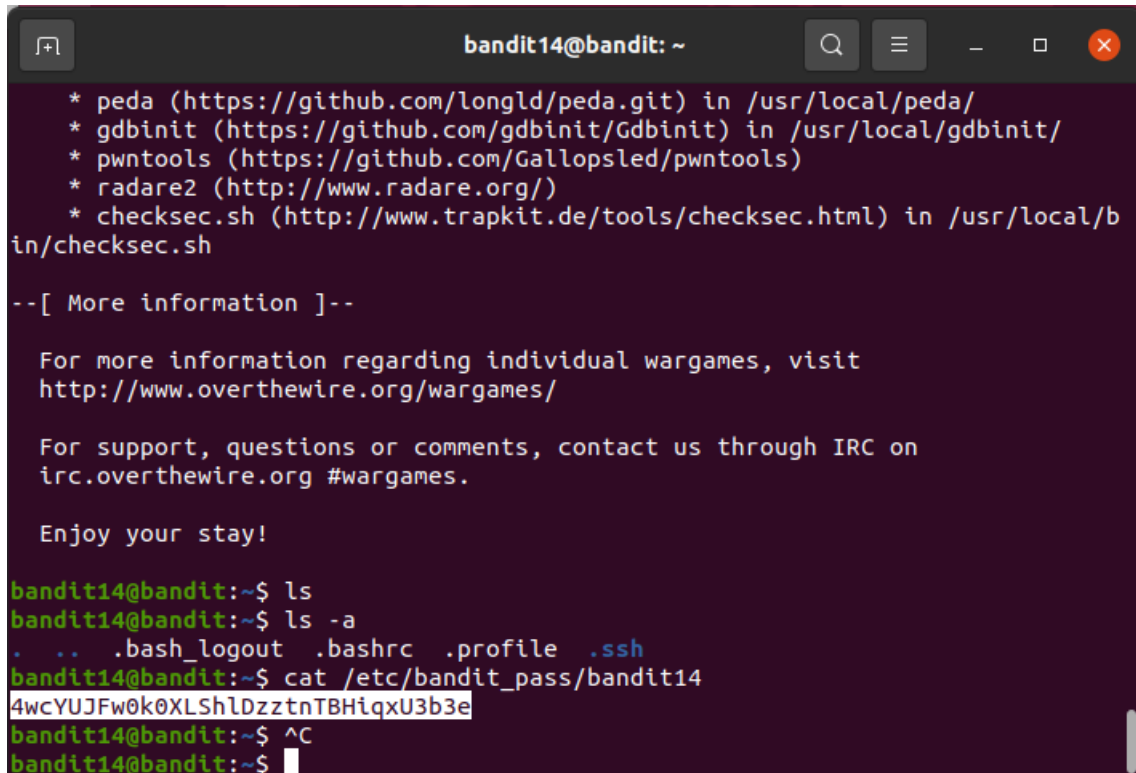


```
bandit12@bandit: /tmp/elnmk123
data5.bin data6.bin.out data8.bin data.txt test
bandit12@bandit:/tmp/elnmk123$ file data6.bin.out
data6.bin.out: POSIX tar archive (GNU)
bandit12@bandit:/tmp/elnmk123$ tar -xf data6.bin.out
bandit12@bandit:/tmp/elnmk123$ ls
data5.bin data6.bin.out data8.bin data.txt test
bandit12@bandit:/tmp/elnmk123$ file data8.bin
data8.bin: gzip compressed data, was "data9.bin", last modified: Thu May  7 1
8:14:30 2020, max compression, from Unix
bandit12@bandit:/tmp/elnmk123$ gzip -d data9.bin
gzip: data9.bin.gz: No such file or directory
bandit12@bandit:/tmp/elnmk123$ gzip -d data9.bin.gz
gzip: data9.bin.gz: No such file or directory
bandit12@bandit:/tmp/elnmk123$ mv data8.bin data8.gz
bandit12@bandit:/tmp/elnmk123$ ls
data5.bin data6.bin.out data8.gz data.txt test
bandit12@bandit:/tmp/elnmk123$ gzip -d data8.gz
bandit12@bandit:/tmp/elnmk123$ ls
data5.bin data6.bin.out data8 data.txt test
bandit12@bandit:/tmp/elnmk123$ file data8
data8: ASCII text
bandit12@bandit:/tmp/elnmk123$ cat data8
The password is 8ZjyCRiBWFYkneahHwxCv3wb2a1ORpYL
bandit12@bandit:/tmp/elnmk123$
```

The password for the next level is 8ZjyCRiBWFYkneahHwxCv3wb2a1ORpYL

Level 13 to Level 14

We use `ssh -i ./sshkey.private bandit14@localhost` to access the Level 14 via a private key present in Level 13. After that we open the file path given in the question to find the actual password of this Level.



```
bandit14@bandit: ~
* peda (https://github.com/longld/peda.git) in /usr/local/peda/
* gdbinit (https://github.com/gdbinit/Gdbinit) in /usr/local/gdbinit/
* pwntools (https://github.com/Gallopsled/pwntools)
* radare2 (http://www.radare.org/)
* checksec.sh (http://www.trapkit.de/tools/checksec.html) in /usr/local/b
in/checksec.sh

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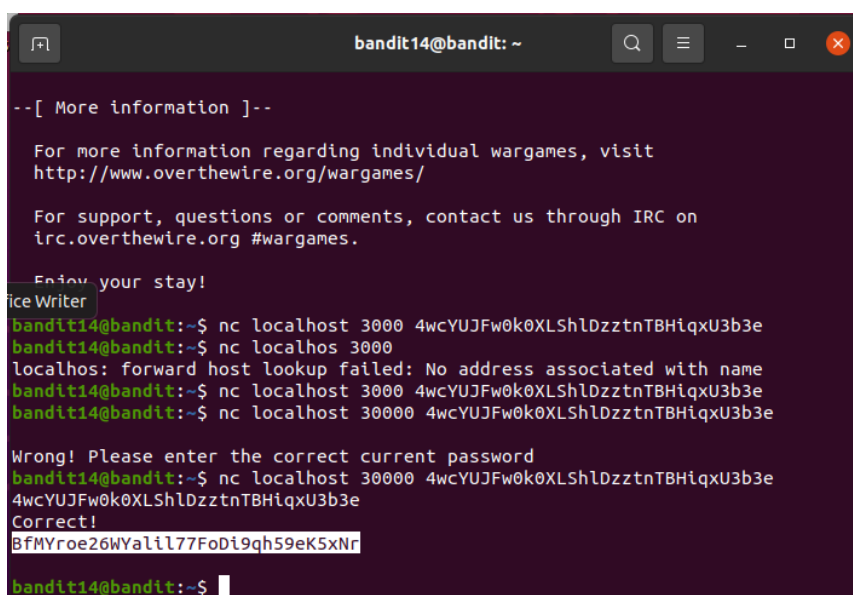
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bandit14@bandit:~$ ls
bandit14@bandit:~$ ls -a
.  ..  .bash_logout .bashrc .profile .ssh
bandit14@bandit:~$ cat /etc/bandit_pass/bandit14
4wcYUJFw0k0XLShLDzztnTBHiqxU3b3e
bandit14@bandit:~$ ^C
bandit14@bandit:~$
```

The password for the next level is `4wcYUJFw0k0XLShLDzztnTBHiqxU3b3e`

Level 14 to Level 15

Now here we use the netcat command via localhost to the given port in the question and then we get the password for Level 15



```
bandit14@bandit: ~
--[ More information ]--

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ice Writer
bandit14@bandit:~$ nc localhost 3000 4wcYUJFw0k0XLShLDzztnTBHiqxU3b3e
bandit14@bandit:~$ nc localhost 3000
localhost: forward host lookup failed: No address associated with name
bandit14@bandit:~$ nc localhost 3000 4wcYUJFw0k0XLShLDzztnTBHiqxU3b3e
bandit14@bandit:~$ nc localhost 30000 4wcYUJFw0k0XLShLDzztnTBHiqxU3b3e

Wrong! Please enter the correct current password
bandit14@bandit:~$ nc localhost 30000 4wcYUJFw0k0XLShLDzztnTBHiqxU3b3e
4wcYUJFw0k0XLShLDzztnTBHiqxU3b3e
Correct!
BfMYroe26WYalil77FoDi9qh59eK5xNr
bandit14@bandit:~$
```

The password for the next level is `BfMYroe26WYalil77FoDi9qh59eK5xNr`.

Accessed Level 15

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bandit15@bandit: ~  
For your convenience we have installed a few usefull tools which you can find  
in the following locations:  
  
* gef (https://github.com/hugsy/gef) in /usr/local/gef/  
* pwndbg (https://github.com/pwndbg/pwndbg) in /usr/local/pwndbg/  
* peda (https://github.com/longld/peda.git) in /usr/local/peda/  
* gdbinit (https://github.com/gdbinit/Gdbinit) in /usr/local/gdbinit/  
* pwntools (https://github.com/Gallopsled/pwntools)  
* radare2 (http://www.radare.org/)  
* checksec.sh (http://www.trapkit.de/tools/checksec.html) in /usr/local/bin/checksec.sh  
  
--[ More information ]--  
  
For more information regarding individual wargames, visit  
http://www.overthewire.org/wargames/  
  
For support, questions or comments, contact us through IRC on  
#wargames.  
  
Enjoy your stay!  
bandit15@bandit:~$
```