

Task 7 :Static Malware Analysis

Objective: Analyze a suspicious binary or script file without executing it.

Tools : strings, hexdump, Ghidra, VirusTotal

Deliverables: Report showing analysis results, suspicious indicators, hash values

Hints/Mini Guide:

Use strings to extract readable content. Check imports or encoded payloads.

Outcome: Learn how malware hides in files and how analysts detect it.

Interview Questions:

- 1.What is malware analysis?
- 2.What is static vs dynamic analysis?
- 3.How can you identify malicious strings in a file?
- 4.What does VirusTotal do?
- 5.What are file hashes used for?
- 6.What is reverse engineering?
- 7.What are IOCs (Indicators of Compromise)?
- 8.What is Ghidra and how is it used?
- 9.How can you tell if a file is obfuscated?
- 10.What is the danger of opening unknown files?

Key Concepts: Malware Analysis, Static Inspection, Reverse Engineering, File Signatures

🌟 Task Submission Guidelines

🕒 Time Window:

You've got a 12-hour window—from 10:00 AM to 10:00 PM—to give your best. It's your time to shine. But remember, once the clock hits 10:00 PM, submissions close.

🔍 Self-Research Allowed:

You're not alone—but we believe in your ability to explore and grow. Feel free to use Google, YouTube, or any learning resource. Learning how to learn is your biggest strength.

🔧 Debug Yourself:

Mistakes? Perfect. That's how real learning happens. Try solving issues on your own—it'll build your confidence and sharpen your problem-solving skills for the future.

💰 No Paid Tools:

We value learning over luxury. If any task points to a paid tool, skip it. Don't spend a single rupee. Just search for free, open-source options—we promise, it's part of the real-world hustle.

📁 GitHub Submission:

For each task, start fresh. Create a new GitHub repo.

Upload everything you used—your code, dataset, screenshots (if any), and a short README.md. That README is your story—tell us what you built, why, and how.

✉️ Submission:

When you're done and proud of what you've built, drop your GitHub repo link through the submission form. Let your work speak for you.

