

Cyber Security

CTFs (Capture the Flag)

- HackTheBox
- TryHackMe
- VulnHub
- picoCTF
- SANS Holiday Hack Challenge

Certifications

Beginner Certifications

- CompTIA A+
- CompTIA Linux+
- CompTIA Network+
- CCNA
- CompTIA Security+

Advanced Certifications

- CEH
- CISA
- CISM
- GSEC
- GPEN
- GWAPT
- GIAC
- OSCP
- CREST
- CISSP

Common Virtualization Technologies

- VMWare
- VirtualBox
- esxi
- proxmox

Basics of Virtualization

- Hypervisor
- GuestOS
- HostOS
- VM

Troubleshooting Tools

- ipconfig
- ping
- dig
- netstat
- route
- nmap
- tcpdump
- arp
- tracert
- nslookup
- iptables

Packet Sniffers

Port Scanners

Protocol Analyzers

Authentication Methodologies

- Kerberos
- RADIUS
- LDAP
- SSO
- Certificates
- Local Auth

Fundamental IT Skills

- Computer Hardware Components
- Connection Types and their function
 - NFC
 - Bluetooth
 - WiFi
 - Infrared
- OS-Independent Troubleshooting
- Understand Basics of Popular Suites
 - MS Office Suite
 - iCloud
 - Google Suite
- Basics of Computer Networking

Operating Systems

Learn following for each

- Installation and Configuration
- Different Versions and Differences
- Navigating using GUI and CLI
- Understand Permissions
- Installing Software and Applications
- Performing CRUD on Files
- Troubleshooting
- Common Commands

Basics of Subnetting

- Public vs Private IP Addresses
- IP Terminology
 - localhost
 - loopback
 - CIDR
 - subnet mask
 - default gateway
- Understand the Terminology
 - VLAN
 - DMZ
 - ARP
 - VM
 - DHCP
 - DNS
 - NAT
 - IP
 - Router
 - Switch
 - VPN
 - MAN
 - LAN
 - WAN
 - WLAN
- Understand these
 - DHCP
 - DNS
 - NTP
 - IPAM
- Functions of each
 - Star
 - Ring
 - Mesh
 - Bus
- Network Topologies
- Network Protocols
 - SSH
 - RDP
 - FTP
 - SFTP
 - HTTP / HTTPS
 - SSL / TLS

Networking Knowledge

- Understand the OSI Model
- Common Protocols and their Uses
- Common Ports and their Uses
- SSL and TLS Basics
- Basics of NAS and SAN

Security Skills and Knowledge

- Understand Common Hacking Tools
- Understand Common Exploit Frameworks
- Understand Concept of Defense in Depth
- Understand Concept of Runbooks
- Understand Basics of Forensics
- Basics and Concepts of Threat Hunting
- Basics of Vulnerability Management
- Basics of Reverse Engineering
- Penetration Testing Rules of Engagement
- Perimeter vs DMZ vs Segmentation
- Core Concepts of Zero Trust
- Roles of Compliance and Auditors
- Understand the Definition of Risk
- Understand Backups and Resiliency
- Cyber Kill Chain
 - MFA & 2FA
 - Honeypots
- Operating System Hardening
- Understand Concept of Isolation
- Basics of IDS and IPS
- Authentication vs Authorization
- Blue / Red / Purple Teams
- False Negative / False Positive
- True Negative / True Positive
- Basics of Threat Intel, OSINT
- Understand Handshakes
- Understand CIA Triad
- Privilege Escalation
- Web Based Attacks and OWASP10
- Learn how Malware works and Types

Tools for Incident Response and Discovery

- dig
- nmap
- ping
- arp
- cat
- dd
- tail
- hping
- head
- grep
- nslookup
- tracert
- winhex
- autopsy
- ipconfig
- curl
- wireshark
- memdump
- FTK Imager

Understand Common Standards

- ISO
- RMF
- NIST
- CIS
- CSF

Using tools for Unintended Purposes

- LOLBAS
- GTFOBINS
- WADCOMS

Learn how to find and use these logs

- Event Logs
- syslogs
- netflow
- Packet Captures
- Firewall Logs

Understand Hardening Concepts

- MAC-based
- NAC-based
- Port Blocking
- Group Policy
- Sinkholes
- ACLs
- Patching
- Jump Server
- Endpoint Security

Understand Common Tools

- VirusTotal
- urlscan
- any.run
- Joe Sandbox
- urlvoid
- WHOIS

Understand Audience

- Stakeholders
- HR
- Legal
- Compliance
- Management

Basics of Cryptography

- Salting
- Hashing
- Key Exchange
- Private vs Public Keys
- PKI
- Obfuscation
- Understand Frameworks
 - Diamond Model
 - Kill Chain
 - ATT&CK
- Common Distros for hacking
 - ParrotOS
 - Kali Linux
- Understand the following
 - SIEM
 - SOAR
- Secure vs Unsecure Protocols
 - FTP vs SFTP
 - SSL vs TLS
 - IPSEC
 - DNSSEC
 - LDAPS
 - SRTP
 - S/MIME
- Understand the following Terms
 - Antivirus
 - Antimalware
 - EDR
 - DLP
 - Firewall & Nextgen Firewall
 - HIPS
 - NIDS
 - NIPS
 - Host Based Firewall
 - Sandboxing
 - EAP vs PEAP
 - WPS
 - ACL
 - WPA vs WPA2 vs WPA3 vs WEP
- Understand the Incident Response Process
 - Preparation
 - Identification
 - Containment
 - Eradication
 - Recovery
 - Lessons Learned
- Understand Threat Classification
 - Zero Day
 - Known vs Unknown
 - APT

Attack Types and Differences

- Phishing
- Whishing
- Whaling
- Smishing
- Spam vs Spim
- Shoulder Surfing
- Tailgating
- Dumpster Diving
- Zero day
- Social Engineering
 - Reconnaissance
 - Impersonation
- Watering Hole Attack
- Drive by Attack
- Typo Squatting
- Brute Force vs Password Spray
- Common Attacks
 - DoS vs DDoS
 - MITM
 - CSRF
 - Spoofing
 - SQL Injection
 - XSS
 - Evil Twin
 - VLAN Hopping
 - DNS Poisoning
 - Death Attack
 - Replay Attack
 - Rogue Access Point
 - Buffer Overflow
 - Memory Leak
 - Pass the Hash
 - Directory Traversal

Cloud Skills and Knowledge

- Understand the Concept of Security in the Cloud
- Understand the differences between cloud and on-premises
- Understand the concept of Infrastructure as Code
- Understand the Concept of Serverless
- Understand the basics and general flow of deploying in the cloud

Understand Cloud Services

- SaaS
- PaaS
- IaaS

Cloud Models

- Private
- Public
- Hybrid

Common Cloud Environments

- AWS
- GCP
- Azure

Common Cloud Storage

- S3
- Dropbox
- iCloud
- Box
- OneDrive
- Google Drive

Programming Skills

- Python
- Go
- JavaScript
- C++
- Bash
- Power Shell

