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Kraith - April 21, 2014, 7:49 pm

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Information:

I'll start off by saying this, there is no "how to become a hacker". Hacking is a highly broad term that spans across so many platforms and techniques. First things first coding; programming is the most important part. I'd start with learning HTML. HTML is so easy to learn, and there's loads of free sites that teach how to code HTML (Check S6). You'll also need to start off with a light programming language to help you along the way. Python is pretty useful. Java can be useful but can be very advanced. You can use Java and HTML skills to make a Java Drive By. I also must say upholding yourself and knowing fluent English, as well as using proper spelling and grammar will get you more respect on these forums and everywhere else really. You also need the motivation. It takes time to learn advanced things, and this can be one of those things. You don't need to be a super nerd to know these things. You need to have the motivation to learn.

Quick Tips

- Don't trust someone else's virus scan.
- Make sure you verify the MD5 hash given in the scan with the file itself. Or they could fake the scan.
- VPNs nor proxies are safe. They never have been and never were. The second your VPN server collapses (if it were to) you're completely exposed.
- Sandboxie is NOT a safe application for malware testing. Many crypters have a feature that can bypass sandboxie and harm/infect your device.
- VMs are the safest way to test malware.
- Assuming everyone is out there to infect you will help too.
- DDoS is an international crime. And could land you in federal prison.

Terminology:

- DoS/DDoS: The act of sending information (packets) to a device to crash it.
- SQLi: SQL injection
- RAT: Remote Administration Tool
- VM: Virtual Machine - mainly in our case (a hacker's) used for malware labs/testing labs.
- VPN: Virtual Private Network - A gateway of sorts to mask your IP.
- HTML: Hypertext Markup Language. The backbone of the web. The skeleton; if you will. What you're looking at now essentially.

-Black hat: A hacker who aims for revenge, destruction, and money.
-White hat: A person who aims to help positively with their skills and knowledge.
-Gray hat: They are neither black hat or white hat. They know the best of both worlds. And do bad and good things.

How to become a hacker you ask?:
It's all about your ethics as a hacker. But these are some good things to know before starting your path.

Become a big time black-hat: Know HTML and learn a lightweight language.
Become a white-hat: Know HTML and learn the fundamentals of pentesting.
Become a gray-hat: Know both things.

Now let me outline the difference between a skid and a hacker:
A skid is a person who relies on other's tools and knowledge to hack.
A hacker is a person who makes their tools and uses their own knowledge to hack.

Resources / Links:

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D4rKn3s5 - April 21, 2014, 8:53 pm

Very useful post, though I would disagree that black hats are skids. I think skids are on their own level. I've been on the private blackhat sites there's a lot of knowledgeable members on there. Also you should add that a knowledge of networking is needed as well for becoming a successful hacker.

?ain - April 21, 2014, 8:57 pm

Not a bad post. Some malware doesn't execute in VMs, as well, and stealers can still steal your info in Sandboxie. You don't need a like of PHP to make a JDB, you just need HTML. Here's a good place to learn a ton of web languages: www.w3schools.com/?

Kraith - April 21, 2014, 9:05 pm

Updated it, as information was provided. Also added some outline to what a skid is, and what a hacker isn't. Feedback is appreciated to advance and expand this thread. Any information you feel should be added? PM me or post here. I might not see it if you just post it though. Added some section markers, and clearly outlined the section's titles.

Tommytoocute1215 - April 21, 2014, 11:28 pm

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Finally somebody who has some respect for learning html first before u do anything lol also idk ur the higher up and all I'm just new but shouldn't basic command line cus when that black screen and text pop up it can be intimidating and really it's MADD easy to navigate. But yea just food for thought thanks for the thread it was really needed

muzzy. - April 22, 2014, 1:34 am

There have been lots of threads like these but they're usually buried.

Nice thread though dude!

Vaxorr - April 22, 2014, 1:47 am

nice thread dude ; keep it up :)

Kraith - April 22, 2014, 11:10 am

Thanks for the feedback guys. So far I feel that this thread is great, but could use a better layout. As always suggestions and feedback are appreciated.

RedHood - April 22, 2014, 12:17 pm

So basically if I want to become say a white hat hacker I need to learn how to program? I'm trying to teach myself Java and its extremely confusing. Should I start with HTML first and then say try learning Python?

Kraith - April 22, 2014, 5:10 pm

(Apr 22, 2014 12:17 PM)RedHood Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) So basically if I want to become say a white hat hacker I need to learn how to program? I'm trying to teach myself Java and its extremely confusing. Should I start with HTML first and then say try learning Python?

I'd definitely recommend knowing HTML before everything else. HTML is so easy to learn. www.codecademy.com is a great place to start. Python was a recommendation, but any lightweight programming language will do. Apache might work. But I'd suggest Python. Java is very difficult to learn. Javascript is easy. However Java is a lot more difficult. I'd start off with the suggestions and steps I listed.

Komodo - April 22, 2014, 5:22 pm

Pretty basic tutorial, seen a ton of these popping up lately :).
Keep up the good work.

Kraith - April 22, 2014, 5:29 pm

Yeah thanks I'm trying. I'm writing a draft at the moment and trying to pick out more useful information for this thread.

Komodo - April 22, 2014, 5:30 pm

(Apr 22, 2014 05:29 PM)Kraith Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Yeah thanks I'm trying. I'm writing a draft at the moment and trying to pick out more useful information for this thread. Let me know if you need some ideas :).
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Kraith - April 22, 2014, 5:32 pm

I could definitely use some ideas. I'm aiming to expand the knowledge and further a path for whatever choice a beginner hacker may choose as their path. I need to make a proper learning path for black/gray/white hat beginners. As in:

Black Hat: HTML -> Python

SourMan - April 22, 2014, 5:36 pm

I'm a skid by your definition :'(ok

Kraith - April 22, 2014, 5:38 pm

Hey man there's always room for improvement. I was just defining the big line between a skid and a hacker.

D4rKn3s5 - April 22, 2014, 6:57 pm

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Black hats are usually going to be your exploit writers, and would have a knowledge in php, mysql, python, perl, ruby, C/C++, pentesting, account cracking, networking.

Then you got the white hats, which would know everything blackhats know so that they can try and find exploits before the blackhat to keep people safe. They are also going to be highly skilled with malware detection and removal tactics.

bruce324 - April 22, 2014, 7:59 pm

Thanks for the thread! I've never looked in to any kind of hacking or even any form of computer/software science. I've just always had a love for gadgets! As I've gotten older I've realized how truly lost I am with technology. Ill start reading on html tonight and see if it sinks in. A by the by if I can get my head around it I will aim for being a gray. Idk how but I've been hacked twice by the same guy. So I'm wanting to learn to get some vengeance and help people like me. Thanks again for the guide.

grady - April 22, 2014, 8:32 pm

Very nice tutorial, and will help most of the newbies that come to this section.

I think you may want to check your spelling of "grey," because it seems you're just a tad indecisive on how you want to spell it. ?

Supreme??????? - April 22, 2014, 8:36 pm

Great guide you got here. Hopefully it will help numerous members.

Zink - April 22, 2014, 10:01 pm

Nice tutorials, can help a lot of people.

pillowfight - April 23, 2014, 12:21 am

Thanks bud def a interesting read. I shoudl prolly get on learning php, i have made a fuck ton of money online but i dk php for hte life of me. dont know how i ever even got this far without learning it. much appreciated

Kraith - April 23, 2014, 10:47 am

Thanks for the feedback guys. Also @ ^ PHP is pretty hard. It does have simple things in it as well such as HTML.

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I'm learning it currently and it's been pretty simple so far. Though I do have previous programming knowledge which helps. Right now I'm getting into the more advanced part of the language.

Also I think you can advance this thread a lot by including links to guides here on the site and maybe even spots to learn programming languages. If you would like any help with putting some links together shoot me a pm mate.

Brado - April 24, 2014, 3:25 am

It looks nice. This are a few good things you need to know before you start hacking.

Kraith - April 24, 2014, 4:00 pm

I just modified and updated the thread. There's still more to come as It's being worked on.

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- 1.) Section 6 added: Resources / Links @D4rKn3s5 Thanks for the list compilation.
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There's more to come!

Bolsow - April 24, 2014, 4:02 pm

Nice thread, very detailed and organized and should become useful to new hackers.

Th3PonyWizard - April 25, 2014, 3:59 am

Quote:Never even thought of this did you? Actually I did. It's called md5 / sha1 signature verification.

Quote:-DDOS: The act of sending information (packets) to a device to crash it. That also applies to DoS. Sort it out.

Quote: -SQLi: SQL injection, used to hack databases. Retrieving information isn't necessary hacking. Most of the time you don't even have access to modify any DB contents. This can be worded out better.

Quote:change your IP Replace "change" with: mask / gateway.

Quote: If you want to do game hacking: Learn C++

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Quote:Mature folk Don't make assumptions. The hat doesn't tell a lot about the person. Believe me that I'm not mature at all ;)

Overall decent thread with good information, needs some polishing.

D4rKn3s5 - April 25, 2014, 12:58 pm

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Your welcome bro, threads looking great.

sopyan99 - April 25, 2014, 2:44 pm

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Things you thought you knew, but were wrong, or didn't actually know:

- Don't trust someone else's virus scan.
- It's so easy to trick someone into thinking that the file is safe just with the scan. Let me give you a scenario. I have a highly-malicious file named "notavirus.exe" I make a text document and rename it to "notavirus.exe" so that I have 1 that is a blank executable, and 1 that contains malware. I then upload the blank one to the virus scan site. And give the malicious one out. You see? Never even thought of this did you?
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- Sandboxie is NOT safe. Many crypters have been made that can bypass sandboxie protection and harm/infect your device.
- VMs are as far as you can get when it comes to safe malware testing environments.
- Assume everyone is out there to infect you.
- DDOS is an international crime. And could land you in federal prison. Yes, federal I said it. The place where you'll be bunking with Big Bubba and he hasn't seen ass in decades.

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Because you use your DarkComet RAT and can get a few installs and you know how to turn on your VPN doesn't make you a hacker, no no no. You're far from it. That's simply being a skid. A person who relies on others code to hack. A real hacker can develop. And that's why I mentioned learning a lightweight language to start off with.

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I want to be a hacker, I know hacker is grow by his/her self, but because I don't know anything I need guide from seomeone, every heroes have a master, and I promise if I already able to hacking, I will use it for helping people.....sory for my poor english, if there a master want to help me, please PM me...

Kraith - April 25, 2014, 3:02 pm

Took some tips. Also cleaned thread indefinitely. Sections shortened. Irrelevant explanations removed. Shortened definitions of terms. Explained in better detail but with less length of a sentence.

Herd - April 25, 2014, 3:33 pm

Well done thread you've got here. :)

Kraith - April 25, 2014, 6:34 pm

Thank you sir. I'm still waiting for suggestions on a new section to put in the thread.

Th3PonyWizard - April 26, 2014, 1:50 am

Quote: Become a big time black-hat: Learn HTML, Python, Java.

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Become a gray-hat: Learn both things. Still, this doesn't really make a lot of sense. There is a lot of hacking beyond Web-Based hacking, people I know started from C and became literally amazing at this field just because of how good of a control this language gives over memory and it's exploitation. I don't think you should give certain languages to define certain hats simply because there's so many paths in hacking, so many routes and so much stuff to learn. Web-hacking isn't everything. What if he wants to start off with Networking? MITM, ARP Injection and even DDoS, this stuff counts as hacking materiel.

Just my 2cents.

Kraith - April 26, 2014, 1:55 am

Well those are good things to start off with. HTML isn't even web hacking. DDOS? DDOS isn't hacking. It's just a small term that's come into a span of categories. I didn't even suggest a place to start off. I just said a good way to start was to learn any lightweight language, and know HTML.

Th3PonyWizard - April 26, 2014, 2:01 am

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and even DDoS, this stuff counts as hacking Material. (also a typo ><)

It has direct connection with the act of hacking, but isn't a form of hacking itself.

Quote:HTML isn't even web hacking It's the start of it. People who go with Networking, Scripting, or Low-Level have nothing to do with it and have no need to learn it.

I'm just thinking that you shouldn't give a must-know languages when it differs from the path the dude chose

MightyPrefix - April 26, 2014, 6:23 am

I thought vpn's were the way to go? Rest was helpfull tho!

Brule - April 26, 2014, 6:27 am

Great tutorial, hopefully some beginners will take advantages of it, instead of not reading it, because it does answer alot of questions that beginners always ask.

Zapu - April 26, 2014, 8:03 am

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What if I want to hack computers and be a big blackhat hecker? HTML would be useless for me, and whats a lightweight language? What are some examples? What can I use it for?

For a white hat, I need to know HTML and the fundamentals of pentesting? Again, how is HTML going to help me if I want to hack computers? And fundamentals of pentesting? Blackhats require that as well, how can you be a blackhat hacker, if you don't even know the fundamentals of pentesting?

Greyhat: Same thing.

I think you need to learn a bit more before offering advice, just a personal opinion.

Oh, th3Pony already beat me to it.

and, you didn't post any low level stuff either, post some of Divines tutorials(Format String Exploiting, Buffer Overflow, ASLR bruteforce, heap overflow and race conditions are a few that i can think of off the top of my head)

Th3PonyWizard - April 26, 2014, 10:29 am

Yeah I'd love to see my stuff being posted here.

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InvisibleHand - April 26, 2014, 5:00 pm

Very nice thread. thanks ?

Kraith - May 5, 2014, 7:01 pm

I'm going to add more resources soon. As well as do a little updating. I need to prepare drafts first. Thanks for all the feedback as well.

UkVenoM - May 5, 2014, 7:04 pm

Very HQ post, and a very nice layout. You should use the layout for more of your tutorials if you post them, its very clean and easy to read. Great post! ?

hahdbwoannniabs - May 5, 2014, 7:39 pm

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Oh god you're retarded. HTML has jack shit to do with SQL injections.

Kraith - May 6, 2014, 5:51 am

(May 5, 2014 07:39 PM)ThatExploitTho Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Why the fuck would you need to know HTML to be a hacker?

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You need to know HTML for a lot of reasons. Please google the fundamentals of pentesting and learn why white hats or black hats might wanna know. White hats patch up anything they see in HTML, Black hats exploit it.

Th3PonyWizard - May 6, 2014, 10:25 am

(May 5, 2014 07:47 PM)UkVenoM Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) If you understand HTML you will be able to spot basic Web Application vulnerabilities such as Cross Site Scripting and SQL Injection within a web page without physical testing. It may seem pointless but knowing the fundamentals of computing is a massive help if you were to become a hacker.

HTML isn't included at the fundamentals of computing, in fact, it's far off it considering how high it's at the OSI model. Knowing how to spot? What does that mean? You don't "spot" vulnerabilities, you discover them by placing malicious user input. You learn types of input according to different languages: SQL, Javascript, etc, so I find that statement weird. To actually attack, HTML has little connection to web exploitation although it's the basis of it.

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<https://hackforums.net/showthread.php?tid=4186785&pid=39716680#pid39716680>

beat u 2 it

Dreadmore - December 8, 2014, 6:46 pm

Thanks Kraith this should be very helpful for the people who want to start their fun in the hacking world also I think you should make a post or include a darknet or Deep web section in this post seeing how it would be greatly informational!

YoungHacker - December 8, 2014, 9:47 pm

Nice post :D

i wish there were more of them around xp

..and bookmarked :D

Kraith - December 9, 2014, 10:59 am

I forgot this even existed. But I'll be updating it here and there due to the s lately.

devilsnare - December 14, 2015, 9:50 am

I am a noob in this field. On basis of peoples's recommendations I learnt a bit of C++ & HTML. Now as you mentioned the various things like keyloggers and wifi hacks etc...what are the first and the foremost things a hacker should start with. How to trust on VPN. Any alternatives??

Thanks for your Help :)