

Forum: [Hack Forums](#)

Thread: [\[Tutorial\] Asking questions in the Beginner's Hacking Section.](#)

The Beep Beep Sheep - April 30, 2017, 6:24 am

I have been back on HF for a few days and 50% of what I've read are threads about 'How to be a hacker'. I have posted one of these threads before under the name 'The Sly', so I will post a similar one hoping to reduce the amount of people asking the same question and helping them.

Rule I: Use Correct Grammar

Hackforums is an English-speaking forum. We understand if you're not a native speaker and we understand if you can't speak flawless English. However, the better a question is formulated, the better we can understand what you're asking thus, the more likely we are to give a serious and helpful answer. That's why it is of your best interest to use your English spelling and grammar to the best of your ability.

Incorrect: "How 2 exploit windows pc?"

Correct: "I'm wondering how I would go about exploiting a windows computer on my network?"

Rule II: Be specific with your questions

I have been back on these forums for a few days. I have seen the question 'How to be a hacker?', 'How to get into my girlfriends social media account?', 'How to hack my school?' etc. too many damn times already.

To stick with my own rules: be as specific as you can! The more we know about what you have tried already, what you want to know, whether you want advice or not and so on, the better we are able to understand what you want to know and help you get a specific answer.

Incorrect: "I need help with a BoF attack."

Correct: "I'm performing a buffer overflow attack (ASLR is on and active). After debugging, I found that the shellcode is too large to fit into the buffer. The shellcode is 350 bytes and the buffer is only 150. Please help."

Rule III: Provide Extraneous Information

As also discussed in rule II, provide as much information as possible. Any information that might help us answer your question should be provided. Examples may be:

OS and software versions

Firewall Rules (inbound/outbound)

Network architecture

Packet captures

What you've tried to solve your problem

Error outputs

The more detailed your question is, the more likely you'll get an accurate answer.

Rule IV: Use that Damn Search Option and Search before you Speak

I cannot express how many questions I've read that could be solved with a minute of Googling, or even by using the Hackforums search feature. Please use this as it is incredibly agitating to see/answer the same old question again, and again, and again. We, or at least I, do not expect you to put hours or even days into searching for a single question however, we are here to help you, not to do your work. This is sort of a continuum of my last point as we also do not appreciate completely ridiculous questions. It is a waste of time, it will help no one, and it will only attract trolls and flammers. If you've tried to solve something by yourself, show it! Say you've looked but couldn't get something to work and give examples.

Following these simple rules will ensure you get a proper, quick, kind and accurate answer to your question. I made this thread due to the several low-quality threads in the recent and far past. So let me help you help us help you and follow these rules as it will only make this section much higher quality. If you want a clear overview of where to start things, read Niely's thread on learning the ropes. It covers a lot.

Click [here](#) for the thread.

Disclaimer?

As earlier stated, I posted this a few years back under the name 'The Sly' (then Wycked) to reduce the amount of LQ posts. This was a repost of a thread that the member Goodies had written. Anyone ready to accuse me of plagiarism, feel free to PM me and I will explain the situation. Any bumps to keep this at the top are appreciated. Thanks.

Montenero - April 30, 2017, 6:26 am

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The Beep Beep Sheep - April 30, 2017, 6:28 am

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Xphile - April 30, 2017, 6:56 am

I like this, hopefully new people will take a look at it before posting.

Got a bump from me. ?

Faith Connors - April 30, 2017, 7:58 am

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The Beep Beep Sheep - April 30, 2017, 8:02 am

(Apr 30, 2017 07:58 AM)Faith Connors Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I'd buy a sticky for u if i had the money lmao Knowing you would is enough <3

THC - April 30, 2017, 9:46 am

Very nice thread, would really help improve the quality of the section.
Sticky it, someone!

Dr. Gonzo - April 30, 2017, 9:49 am

? ? FANTASTIC tutorial. best shit I've seen all day. really. Needs to be stickied actually. Its 2017 boys and we need to be expecting more from ourselves honestly.

Mr. Robot - April 30, 2017, 9:50 am

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Dang, savage Mr. Robot there.

Huzo - April 30, 2017, 10:10 am

Can we like pin this in the forums? Or make this mandatory to read before posting something?

The Beep Beep Sheep - April 30, 2017, 11:04 am

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This thread is so useful for newcomers honestly I thought you were gonna write "Asking questions in beginner hacking" "don't"

Mr. Robot - April 30, 2017, 10:44 pm

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yusufmalikul - May 1, 2017, 4:55 am

The reality is "they" dont read this. So, the damn LQ post will continue.

Armada - May 1, 2017, 10:20 am

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It's shitty but true ^^ . Thanks for replying to me though. It's nice to know you agree. Thanks for the compliment!

Evlox - May 9, 2017, 9:02 pm

Thanks for pointing the way