Official Certified Ethical Hacker Review Guide

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List of Try It Out Exercises

The "Try it out" exercises in this book represent exercises that are designed to help the student become comfortable with a few important elements before attending the intense lab environment of the official training experience.

For quick reference, the following is a list of the exercises. You might want to use this as a checklist and make sure to try each one before your training date. Some of these exercises will be expanded on, and the student should be prepared with questions as a result of trying them.

Chapter One: Ethical Hacking

- 1. Research hacker culture
- 2. Research the vulnerability databases

Chapter Two: Hacking Laws

3. Research intellectual property law

Chapter Three: Footprinting

- 4. Utilize the RFCs to understand network ranges
- 5. Banner grabbing
- 6. Collecting data
- 7. Competitive intelligence gathering
- 8. Watch "Privacy is dead, get over it"
- 9. Obtain a Who is record
- 10. Attempt a zone transfer

Chapter Four: Google Hacking

- 11. Visit Google Labs
- 12. Setup Google reader
- 13. Google search examples

Chapter Five: Scanning

- 14. Read RFC 826
- 15. Scanning a local segment
- 16. Angry IP
- 17. Read RFC 1574
- 18. Read RFC 793
- 19. Read RFC 791
- 20. Demo Core Impact
- 21. Read RFC 792
- 22. Read RFC 768
- 23. Using Netcat as a scanner
- 24. Using HPing as a scanner
- 25. Using Nmap as a scanner
- 26. Download and try graphical scanners

Chapter Six: Enumeration

- 27. Creating a NULL session
- 28. Changing the Restrict Anonymous key setting
- 29. Using the Netstat and NBTStat tools
- 30. Run the SMB Client command
- 31. Finger a user
- 32. Finding the SUID bit

Chapter Seven: System Hacking

- 33. Calculating password combinations
- 34. Read RFC 1510
- 35. Create a user from the windows command line
- 36. Alternate data streams

Chapter Eight: Trojans and Backdoors

- 37. Configure a USB "autostart" script
- 38. Research the two letter TLDs
- 39. Using the \$PTAH variable in Linux
- 40. Using the \$PATH variable in Windows

Chapter Ten: Sniffers, Spoofing, and Session Hijacking

- 41. Research advance ARP procedures
- 42. Using TCP Dump
- 43. Research advanced Wireshark capture filters
- 44. Experiment with the GUI based packet analyzers
- 45. Research advanced Wireshark display filters

Chapter Eleven: Social Engineering

- 46. Using a disposable email address
- 47. Sending a spoofed email

Chapter Twelve: Denial of Service

- 48. Read about the GRC denial of service attack
- 49. Visit the CATCH team and regional CERT websites
- 50. Connect to IRC

Chapter Thirteen: Buffer Overflows

- 51. Read the original "Smashing the stack" article
- 52. Create a simple buffer overflow script
- 53. Disassemble the buffer overflow exploit example
- 54. Use the Metasploit framework tool

Chapter Fourteen: Hacking Web Servers and Web Applications

- 55. Learn more about building web pages
- 56. Use the Lynx browser
- 57. Banner grabbing
- 58. Explore URL encoding and obfuscation

Chapter Fifteen: Wireless Networks

- 59. Generate a strong WPA2 PSK
- 60. Research cracking WPA/WPA2
- 61. View a map of discovered WiFi networks
- 62. Learn the warchalking symbols

Chapter Sixteen: Cryptography

- 63. Meet Alice and Bob
- 64. Research symmetric encryption vocabulary terms
- 65. Research asymmetric encryption vocabulary terms
- 66. Experiment with hashes
- 67. Use PGP to encrypt Email

Chapter Seventeen: Hacking with Linux

- 68. Investigate Linux distribution choices
- 69. Downloading a Linux VM appliance
- 70. Installing an application in Linux
- 71. Using man pages
- 72. Using basic Linux commands
- 73. Tools for hacking with Linux

Chapter Eighteen: IDS, Firewalls, and Honeypots

- 74. Learn more about IP Tables
- 75. Learn more about snort
- 76. Learn more about honeypots
- 77. Explore the hping tool

Chapter Nineteen: Summary of Optional Modules

78. Investigate VoIP Hacking Tools

Chapter Twenty: Penetration Testing

- 79. Research some of the common vulnerability databases
- 80. Gather a few good resources