

Finding your attack path into the security industry

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Who are we?

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Who are We?

- WithSecure Consulting
- Formerly known under many names...
- Offensive security consultancy operating in
 - the UK
 - Nordics
 - USA
 - Singapore
- ...soon to be known under a new name(!)
- We're not allowed to tell you the name :(ul>- Beers won't help - sorry

Today's talk!

- How to get into cyber?
- Common myths
- Things that (we think) work and things that (we know) don't work
- Possibly some disjointed rambles along the way

Myths

"I must have all the certifications before I join"



Myths

"There is a global
cyber security
skills shortage"



Myths

"You need a computer science / cyber security / ethical hacking degree"



Myths

"An ethical hacking/cyber security degree will teach me the base technical fundamentals I need for my career"



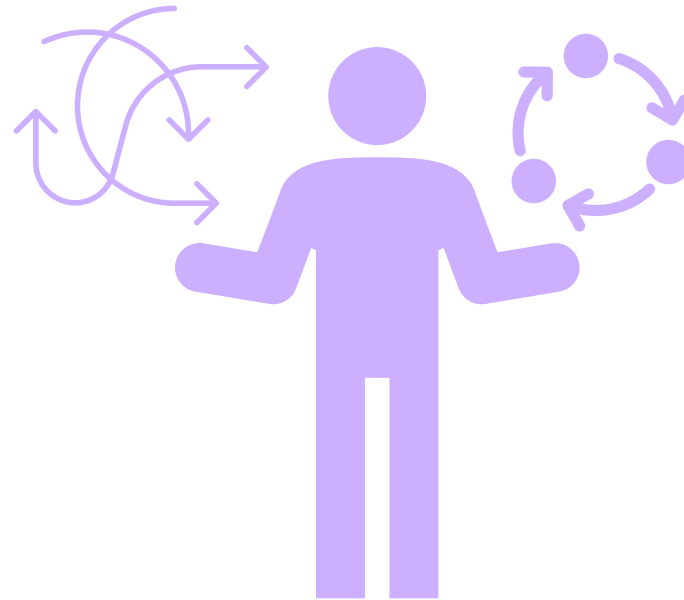
Myths

"CTFs are great/useless"



Myths

"You NEED to work 3 years at a SOC/as a programmer/whatever"



Things that work

Do *things* to show interest (but also to build it)



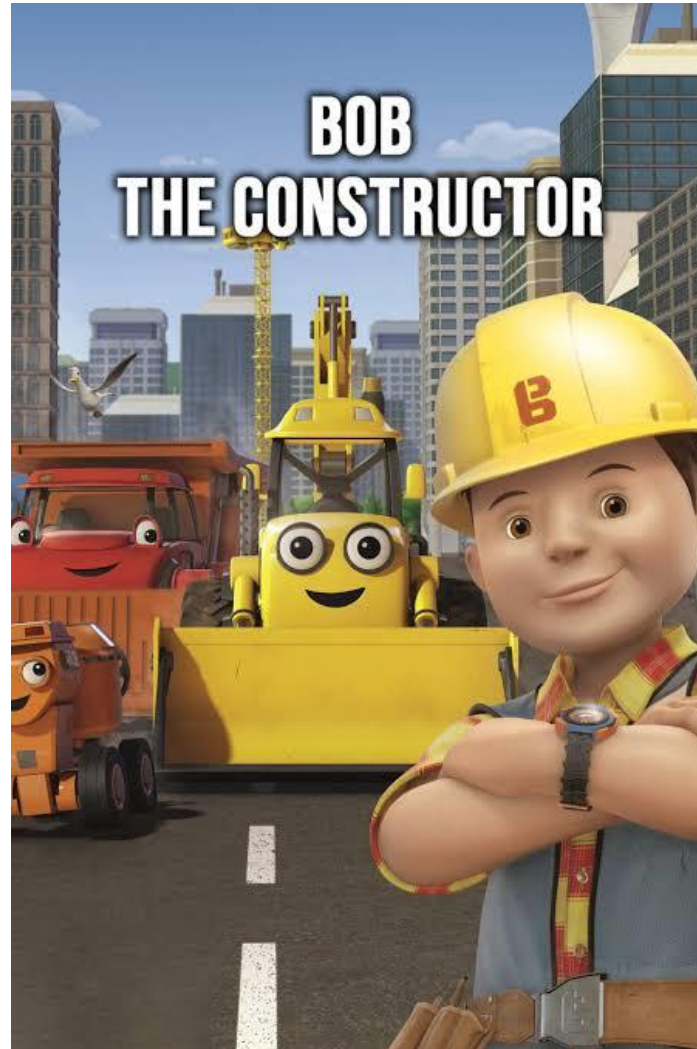
Things that work



Work / Play with others

Things that work

Build stuff!



Things that work

Do *other* things too



Things that don't work

Only learning tools and how to run them



Things that don't work

Zero-to-hero bootcamps – learn how 2 hax in 10 weeks!!1!!



Things that don't work

Just following your degree and expecting to come out an expert



Disjointed rambles! (time permitting)



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