

**Objectives:**

- Use FTK Imager to navigate a complete XP forensic image.
  - Locate and extract “Secret Files” without an extension.
  - Use HxD to identify and assign the correct extension for each file.
  - Determine if any incriminating evidence exists in these files.
1. Open FTK Imager and use the “Add Evidence Item” option to add the suspect “Vader\_Home\_Computer.001”.
  2. Navigate to the folder C:\Documents and Settings\Owner\My Documents\Business\Secret Files.
  3. Extract the “Secret Files” folder to your local hard drive.
  4. Open HxD and use it to open each secret file in Hex View.
  5. Examine the initial bytes at the start of each file to identify the files’ signatures. Use the PDF file from Wikipedia as a reference.
  6. Record the following for each file.

Filename: file1  
The first four bytes: \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_  
File type/extension: \_\_\_  
Rename the file with the correct extension and open it. Describe it. \_\_\_\_\_

Filename: file2  
The first four bytes: \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_  
File type/extension: \_\_\_  
Rename the file with the correct extension and open it. Describe it. \_\_\_\_\_

Filename: file3  
The first four bytes: \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_  
File type/extension: \_\_\_  
Rename the file with the correct extension and open it. Describe it. \_\_\_\_\_

Filename: file4  
The first four bytes: \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_  
File type/extension: \_\_\_  
Rename the file with the correct extension and open it. Describe it. \_\_\_\_\_

Filename: file5  
The first four bytes: \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_  
File type/extension: \_\_\_  
Rename the file with the correct extension and open it. Describe it. \_\_\_\_\_

Filename: file6  
The first four bytes: \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_  
File type/extension: \_\_\_  
Rename the file with the correct extension and open it. Describe it. \_\_\_\_\_

Filename: file7  
The first four bytes: \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_  
File type/extension: \_\_\_  
Rename the file with the correct extension and open it. Describe it. \_\_\_\_\_

Filename: file8  
The first four bytes: \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_  
File type/extension: \_\_\_  
Rename the file with the correct extension and open it. Describe it. \_\_\_\_\_

Filename: file8  
The first four bytes: \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_ \_\_\_  
File type/extension: \_\_\_  
Rename the file with the correct extension and open it. Describe it. \_\_\_\_\_

7. Did you recover any information that may be useful to this investigation?

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