

Splunk Fundamentals 1 Lab Exercises

Lab typographical conventions:

[sourcetype=db audit] OR [cs mime type] indicates either a source type or the name of a field.

NOTE: Lab work will be done on your personal computer or virtual machine, no lab environment is provided. We suggest you **DO NOT** do the lab work on your production environment.

Lab Module 3 – Install Splunk Enterprise

Description

This lab exercise will get Splunk Enterprise installed in your lab environment and create a user with a Power role.

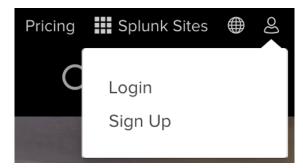
NOTE: Every system and network can be different. If you have any trouble installing please check the documentation for your operating system.

Steps

Scenario: You have recently joined the team at Buttercup Games as a Splunk Administrator. You have been asked to install Splunk Enterprise and create accounts for users.

Task 1: Download Splunk Enterprise for your operating system.

- 1. Direct your web browser to http://splunk.com.
- Log in to your splunk.com account or create a new account using the Login link in the splunk.com user menu.



3. Once logged in, Click the green Free Splunk button in the top right of the interface.





4. Under Splunk Enterprise, click the Free Download Free 60-day Trial link.



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5. Use the tabs to select your operating system, and click the **Download Now** button for your architecture.



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NOTE: To install Splunk Enterprise, please proceed to the task matching your environment.





Task 2: Install Splunk Enterprise in a Windows environment.

- 6. Locate the splunk.msi file that you downloaded earlier, and double click it.
- 7. The installer will run and display the **Splunk Enterprise Installer** panel.





- 8. View the license agreement by clicking the **View License Agreement** button, and accept the license agreement using the **Check this box to accept the License Agreement** checkbox.
- 9. There is a button to customize the installation, but for this lab we will use the default install options by clicking the **Install** button.



10. The installer will ask you to create a password for your Administrator account.



11. The installer will install the software and display the **Installation Complete** panel.





- 12. The **Launch browser with Splunk Enterprise** check box will be selected by default. Clicking the **Finish** button will open Splunk Web in your default browser.
- 13. Go to Task 5 to continue with the lab.



Task 3: Install Splunk Enterprise in a Linux environment.

NOTE: For this task, we will be using the .tgz archive of Splunk Enterprise.

- 14. From a terminal window, on the server you are installing to, move to the directory containing the **splunk.tgz** file you downloaded earlier.
- 15. Untar the archive to the **opt** folder in the root directory of the server.

sudo tar xvzf splunk.tgz -C /opt

16. Move to the **bin** directory inside the **splunk** folder.

cd /opt/splunk/bin

17. Start Splunk by using the start command with the accept-license argument. Optionally, leave off the accept-license argument to read the license agreement.

sudo ./splunk start --accept-license

18. You will be asked to enter a password for your Administrator account.

Please enter a new password:

19. **Splunk Enterprise** will check prerequisites and configurations. When finished, it will display a message letting you know that **Splunk Web** is ready:

The Splunk web interface is at http://*****:8000

20. Open a browser window and direct it to the IP address or domain name of your server with a port of 8000.



21. You will see Splunk Web in your browser.



22. Go to Task 5 to continue with the lab.



Task 4: Install Splunk Enterprise in a Mac environment.

- 23. Locate the **splunk.dmg** file that you downloaded earlier, and double click it.
- 24. The Splunk Installer disk image will open.
- 25. Double click the Install Splunk icon.



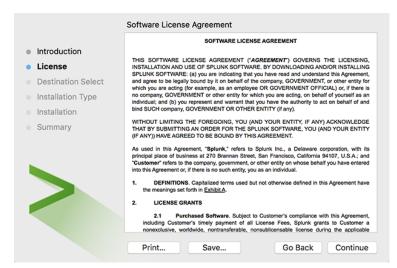
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26. The installer will run and display the **Splunk Enterprise Installer** panel.



27. Clicking Continue will display the Software License Agreement.

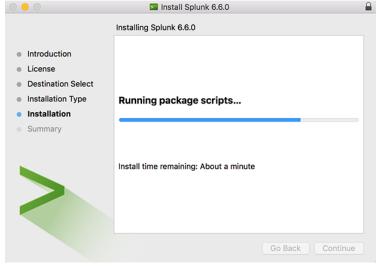




28. Click the **Continue** and the **Agree** button to accept the license.



29. Clicking the Install button will start the installation process.



- 30. Once installed, Splunk will open **Splunk's Little Helper**. Clicking the **OK** button will allow Splunk to initialize on your system.
- 31. A terminal window will open and you will be asked to enter a password for your Administrator account.

Please enter a new password:

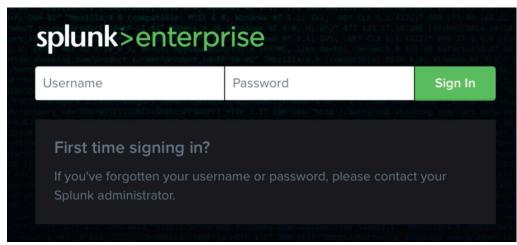
32. The terminal window will close. Click the **Start and Show Splunk** button in Splunk's Little Helper. Splunk will open a terminal window, start Splunk and display Splunk Web in your default browser.





Task 5: Log into Splunk Web.

- 33. If you do not see Splunk Web in your browser, please navigate to http://<host name or ip address>:8000
- 34. Log into your administrator account using the Username of **admin** and the password you created during install.

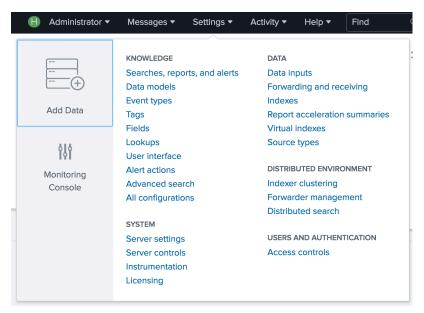


NOTE: If you lose your password Splunk support will not be able to help you retrieve it.

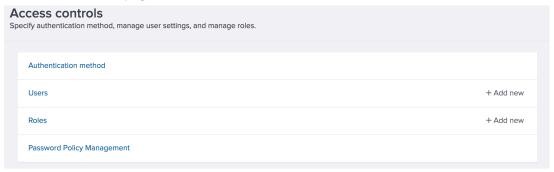
Task 6: Create a user with the power role.

35. From the Splunk bar, select Access controls from the Settings menu.



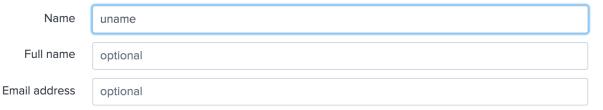


36. On the Access controls page, click Add new for Users.



NOTE: We will be creating a Power User account to use with this course. Please use suggested username and password if you do not want to create your own. If you create a different username, Splunk Support will not be able to help you with log in issues.

37. Enter uname into the Username field.

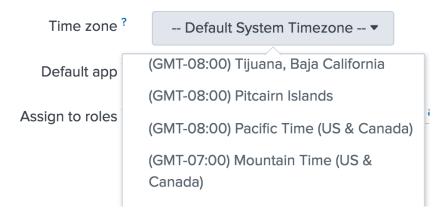


38. Enter a password of 5p1unkbcup for the Password and Confirm password fields.



39. Select your time zone from the **Time zone** drop down menu.

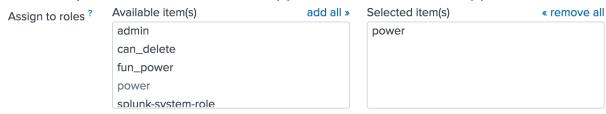




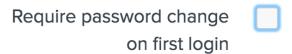
40. In the Assign to roles section, click on the user icon under Selected item(s) to remove it from the list.



41. Click on the power icon under Available item(s) to add it to the Selected item(s) list.



42. Remove the check mark from Require password change on first login and click Save



43. After the user has been saved, you will be returned to the User management page.