BitCurator Software: Setting up Shared Folders

Discussion questions to pair with the screencast

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Description

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Learning object type

Lesson plan/materials

Learning objectives

This learning object might be used in a lesson to satisfy the following learning objectives:
• Identify the appropriate tools to: safely acquire born-digital materials from storage media and other modes of transfer; assist in the appraisal of born-digital materials; scan for sensitive information in born-digital materials; and package born-digital materials for preservation and access.

Screencast

https://youtu.be/35Pa_PTfMn8
Discussion Questions

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1. What is the role of a shared folder, and why would you want to use one?
Answer Key

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What is the role of a shared folder, and why would you want to use one?
It allows you to move files between the guest and host VM. You can use this, for example, to create a disk image on the host machine, then copy it into the shared folder and open it in the guest (VM). Once you've used the BitCurator environment to generate various outputs, you can move/copy those outputs into the shared folder and then use the host environment to copy the outputs to local or network storage.

Tools and Resources Mentioned in This Document

VirtualBox: https://www.virtualbox.org/
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