

Lab 3.1.2b iSCSI Lab Add new iSCSI datastore to ESXi

#### Introduction

A network lab environment can be used to test upgrades/patches, evaluate new features, or as a training environment for hands-on experience.

# **Objectives**

In this lab the student will:

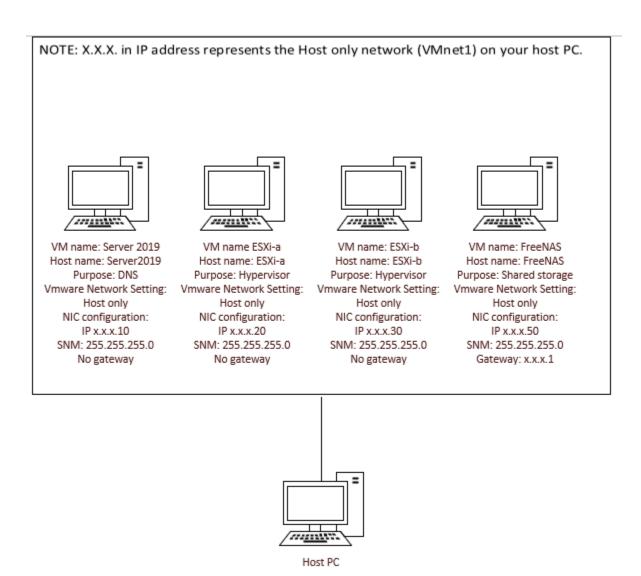
• Install, configure and manage virtual networking and storage [WECM]

## **Equipment/Supplies Needed**

- Host Computer with VMware Workstation Pro
- Windows Server, FreeNAS, and both ESXi VM's running as shown in the diagram below
- Reference: VMware ESXi Installation and Setup Guide [17 APR 2018]
   <a href="https://docs.vmware.com/en/VMware-vSphere/6.7/vsphere-esxi-67-installation-setup-guide.pdf">https://docs.vmware.com/en/VMware-vSphere/6.7/vsphere-esxi-67-installation-setup-guide.pdf</a>

## **Assignment**

Students will add and configure a new iSCSI datastore to ESXi VM's for shared iSCSI storage. Key activities include configuring a new iSCSI datastore in ESXi for connecting to FreeNAS for shared storage.



#### **Procedure**

- 1. We need to add an iSCSI datastore to ESXi to allow it to use the iSCSI target built in the previous lab. Open a browser on your host PC and sign into one of your ESXi VM's.
  - a. In the Navigator pane click on Storage. In the right pane click on the Adapters tab.
  - b. Click on Software iSCSI to add a new adapter. Click on the Enabled radio button.
  - c. To the right of <u>Static targets</u> click on <u>Add static target</u>.
  - d. In the <u>Target</u> field Click to add name and enter the FreeNAS iSCSI target you created in the previous lab. To refresh your memory, it will look something like: iqn.2005-10.orgfreenas.ctl.
  - e. Add the IP address of FreeNAS in the field to the right of the target name.
  - f. Click on <u>Add dynamic target</u> and enter the IP of FreeNAS. **CAPTURE A SCREENSHOT OF THIS STEP.**
  - g. After saving the configuration click on <u>Rescan</u> in the <u>Adapters</u> tab of ESX, then click on <u>Refresh</u>. The new iSCSI software adapter should now show in ESXi and the status should be Online. **CAPTURE A SCREENSHOT OF THIS STEP**.
- 2. Now we need to add shared iSCSI storage to ESXi. Click on the <u>Datastores</u> tab and click <u>New</u> datastore to create a new VMFS datastore.
  - a. After selecting the default to C<u>reate a new VMFS datastore</u>, select the device name (only the FreeNAS device should show as an available device) and give it a name of <u>iscsi-datastore</u>.
  - b. Use the default partitioning options. CAPTURE A SCREENSHOT OF THIS STEP.

- 3. Perform the same steps to configure the other ESXi VM. **CAPTURE THE SAME SCREENSHOTS FOR THE SECOND ESXI VM AS YOU DID FOR THE FIRST ESXI VM.**
- 4. Place all screenshots in a Word or PDF document and upload that document for grading. Submit the following items for grading as evidence of successful lab completion.

| <u>Concerns</u><br>Working Towards Proficiency | <u>Criteria</u><br>Standards for This Competency | Accomplished Evidence of Mastering Competency |
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|  | 2 Screenshot of step 1f (33 pt)                  | 2 correct answers; 16.5 pt each               |
|  | 2 Screenshot of step 1g (33 pt)                  | 2 correct answers; 16.5 pt each               |
|  | 2 Screenshot of step 2b (34 pt)                  | 2 correct answers; 17 pt each                 |