After reviewing the textbook and reference materials, detail the seven stages of a cyber operation utilizing the pen testing methodology. View the "Overview and Lab 1 Build a Virtual Lab" video within the "Video Playlist: Penetration Testing and Risk Management," located in the topic Resources.

In 500-700 words, explain and list the phases of well-organized cyber operations and describe the goals and objectives of each phase in detail. Include the following stages of a cyber operation:

Target Identification  
Reconnaissance  
Gaining Access  
Hiding Presence  
Establishing Persistence  
Execution  
Assessment

Prepare this assignment according to the guidelines found in the APA Style Guide, located in the Study Success Center.

This assignment uses a rubric. Review the rubric prior to beginning the assignment to become familiar with the expectations for successful completion.

You are required to submit this assignment to LopesWrite. A link to the LopesWrite technical support articles is located in Class Resources if you need assistance.