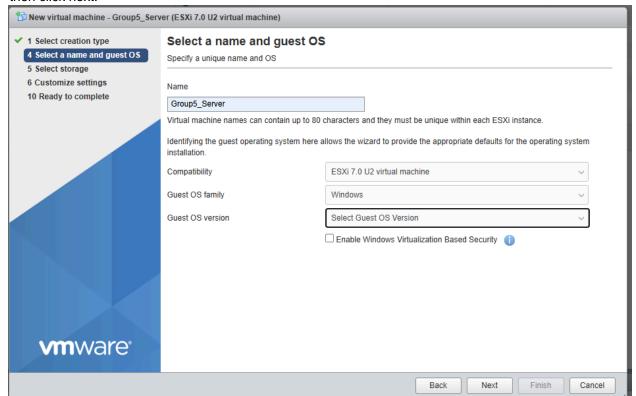
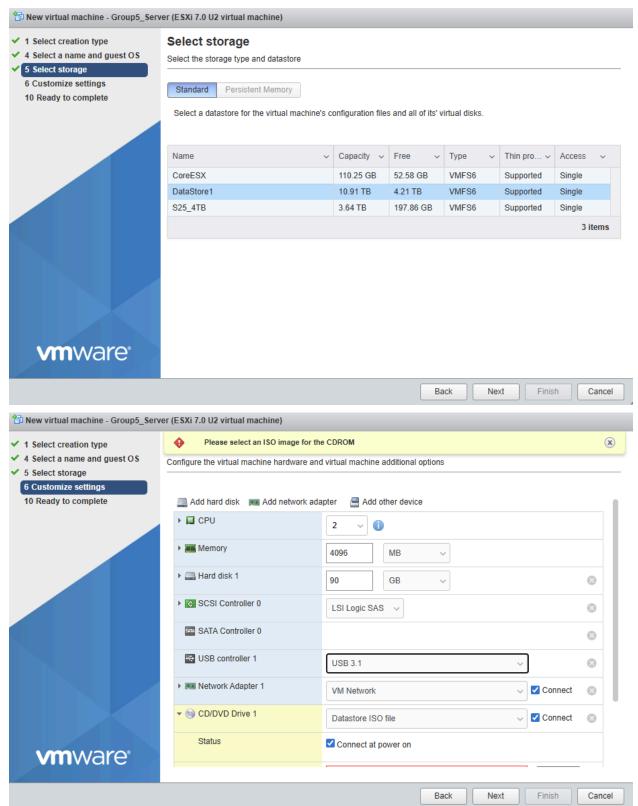
-Log into VMWare and click "Create/Register new VM". Once it brings up the creation type window, click create new VM then click next.



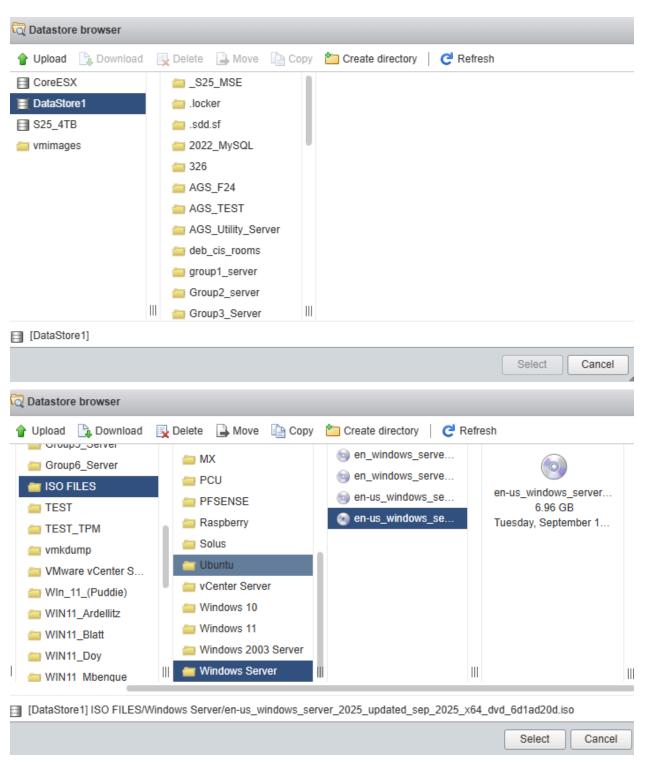
-On the name and guest OS window, name the VM select the windows OS family

For Guest OS Version, use the Windows server option

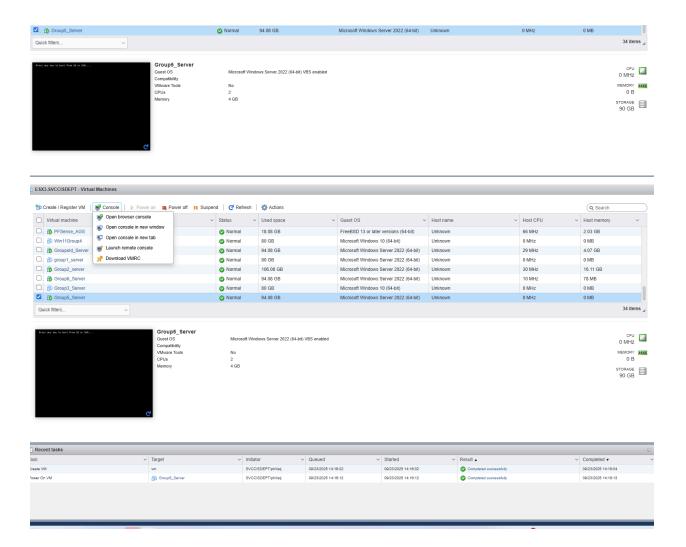
-On the select storage window, select Datastore 1, click next



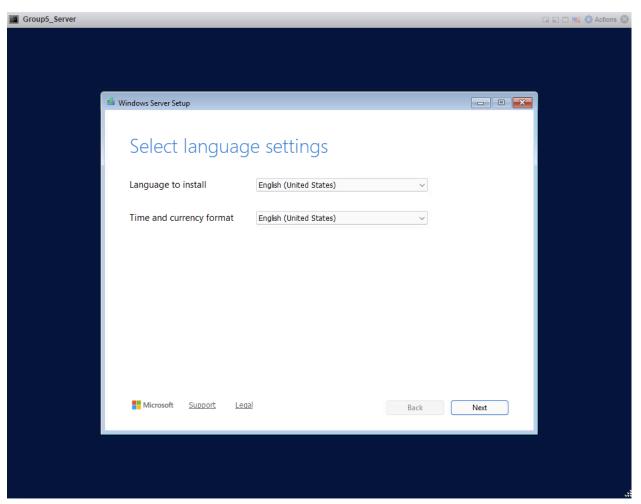
-On the customize settings window choose 2 CPUs, 4096 MB memory, 90 GB hard disk, LSI Logic SAS for the SCSI controller, USB 3.1, and go into the select ISO file for CD/DVD drive.



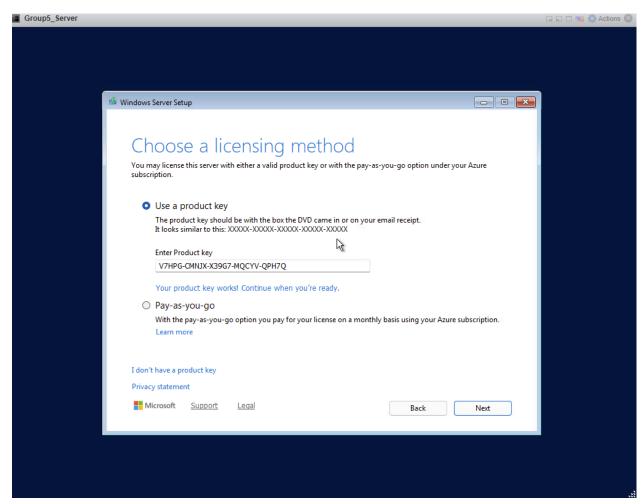
-In the ISO select window, select DATASTORE, ISO FILES Windows Server, then the most recent Windows Server Iso file, click select.



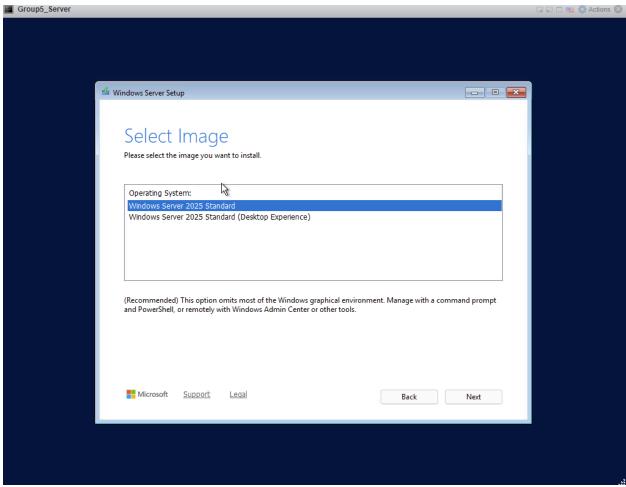
-Create the VM and then open it up in the VMware, turn the VM server on



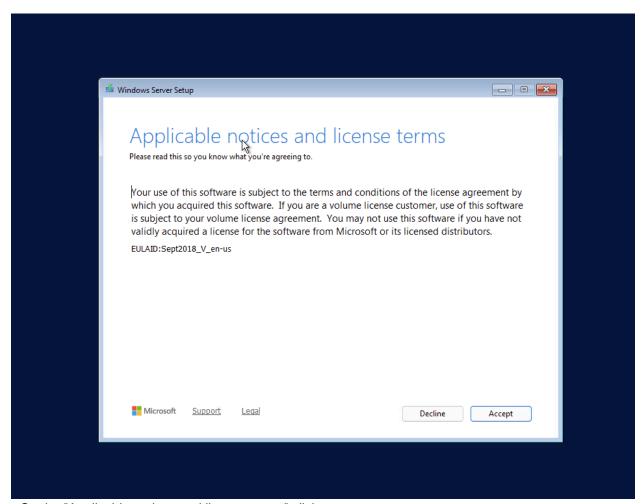
-When the VM is open, there should be a window to select Language for the install procedure, choose English (United States) for both options. Click next.



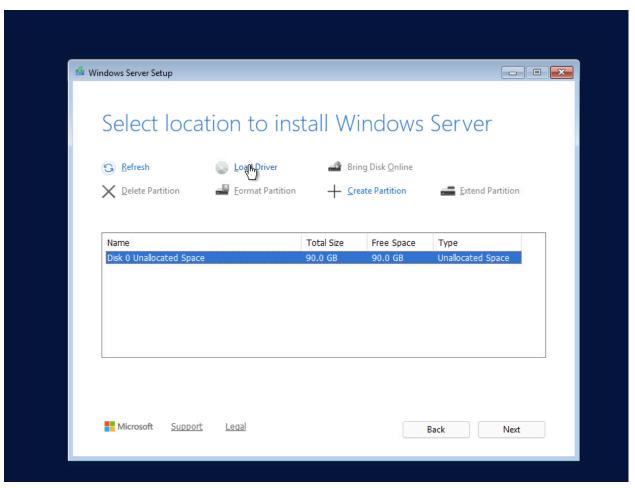
- On the next window, input the provided product key into the "Use a Product Key" option, click next.



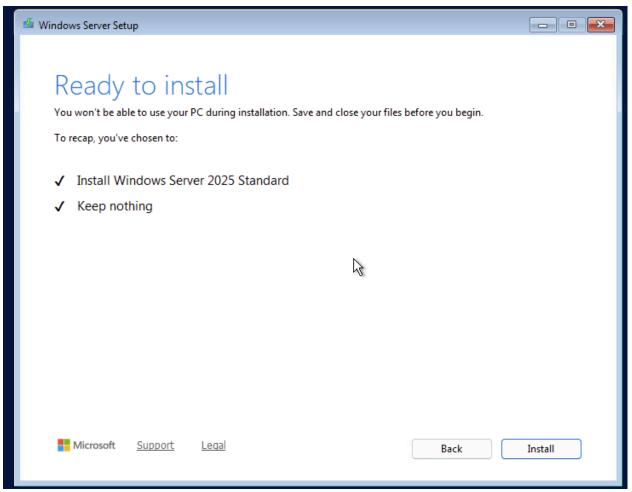
-On the select Image window, select "Windows Server 2025 Standard" then click next



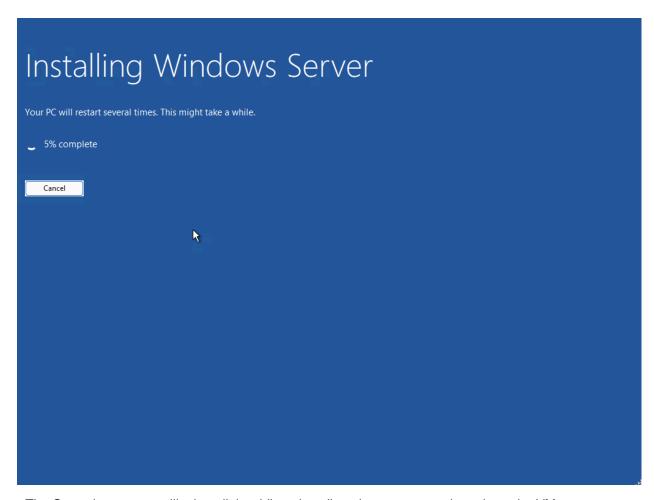
On the "Applicable notices and license terms" click accept



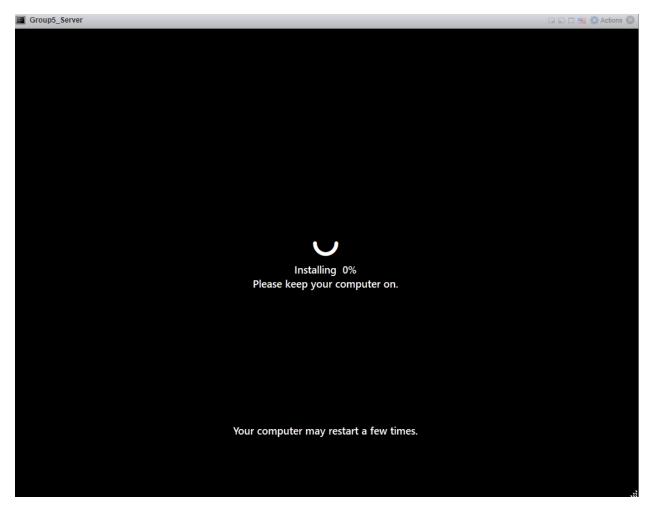
-On the select location to install the windows server window, select the unallocated space in Disk 0, click next



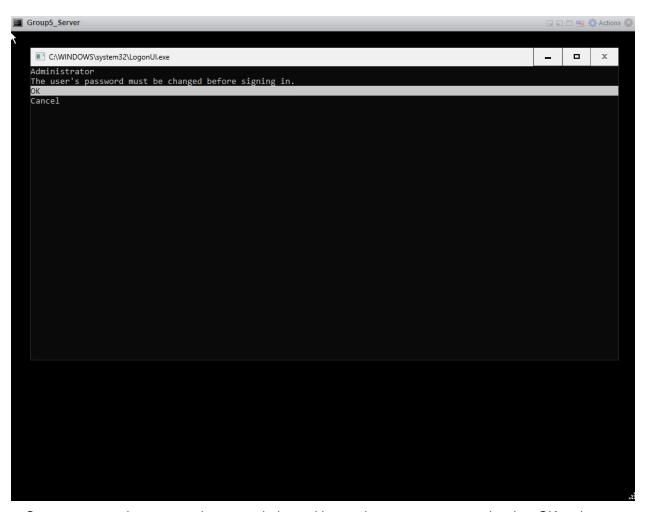
-On the Ready to Install window, click install



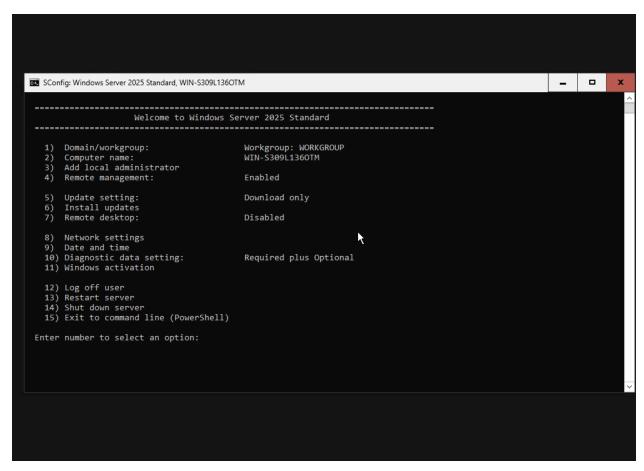
-The Operating system will take a little while to install, make sure not to close down the VM



-The VM may restart during the install



-Once you get to the command prompt window asking to change user password, select OK and press enter Change user password



-The windows server is now ready.