# Penetration Testing

## A brief introduction to Penetration Testing

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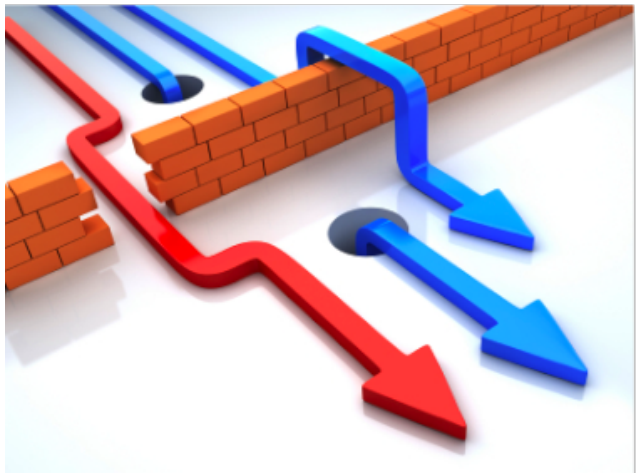

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- Many times resumes to gaining access to the system

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- He has to discover means in which a cracker might compromise the security and deliver damage to the organization

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  - A piece of code to be run after exploitation, typically written in machine code, usually spawns a shell (hence the name)

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  - tcpdump, Wireshark, upx, etc

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