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- Could a hacker access your network and your sensitive corporate information?
- Are your Internet-facing systems protected from attack?
- Could your wireless network provide a back door to your systems?
- Could a hacker steal credit card details from your back-end servers?
- Are your applications secure, both inside and out?
- How safe is the information on your laptops, PDAs and users' home networks?
- Are your staff “security aware”?

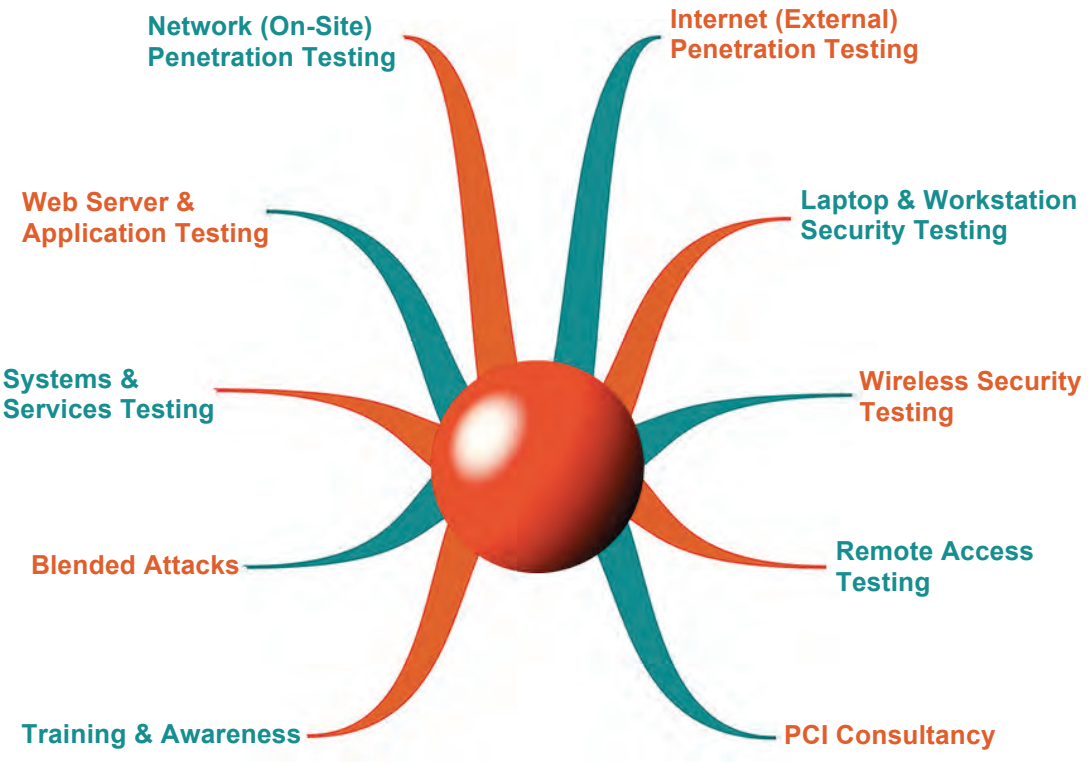
Penetration testing (or “ethical hacking”) will answer these questions and more.

Ethical hackers must be trusted independent security professionals. We vet our staff thoroughly and, unlike some organisations, we do not employ ex-criminal hackers. Our team have strong programming and computer networking skills and possess detailed knowledge of the most popular hardware and software in use.

Critically, our people invest considerable study time to keep up with advances in computer and network security and with the techniques of criminal hackers.

We analyse your systems for security weaknesses using the same tools and techniques as a malicious attacker, without risking damage to your systems. Our reports are tailored to your organisation, informing you of the vulnerabilities and the solutions. Combine our findings with post-test discussions and telephone support and you have a seamless solution to the threats we all face today.

Our Services



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Ethical - because we are in a position of trust. We don't employ ex-hackers - we thoroughly vet and constantly monitor our staff who are also bound by the codes of conduct and practice of the British Computer Society.

Pragmatic - we make sure that what you want is what you actually need. You can be sure that you get solutions that work within your budget and reports that properly reflect your organisation's attitude to risk.

Professional - we believe that we must do more than satisfy clients - we must exceed their expectations. We assign a partner to each client to take full responsibility for your needs and the success of each project.

Our Skills

1. We have provided information security and testing services since 1989.
2. We don't sell products or install systems, so there is no conflict of interest.
3. Our business-focused approach means that we can talk to management as easily as we can talk to technical people.
4. We combine ethical hacking techniques and commercial vulnerability scanning to provide a thorough and cost-effective service.
5. Our reports offer accurate, meaningful results in a format that can be tailored to suit your organisation, addressing both management and technical requirements.
6. Our post-test discussions provide clear, pragmatic guidance for remediation. We are with you every step of the journey to securing your organisation.
7. We guarantee a fixed fee for every step of a project - if we underestimate the time involved, you don't pay more.
8. Our staff are thoroughly vetted and constantly monitored against strict codes of conduct.
9. We invest heavily to keep our skills current with the evolution of security threats, testing techniques and emerging technologies.
10. Our project management system ensures every member of staff can answer your queries easily and accurately.

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Our People

Peter Wood - Partner (Chief of Operations)

Peter founded First Base Technologies in 1989 as a vendor-independent consultancy. He has hands-on technical involvement in the firm on a daily basis, working in areas as diverse as penetration testing, social engineering and skills transfer. He is also a world renowned security evangelist, speaking at many conferences and seminars on ethical hacking techniques and Internet security. He is a Fellow of the British Computer Society and a Chartered IT Professional, and was recentlyr ated the BCS number one speaker. He also serves on the ISACA conference committee for Information Security Management and Network Security in both the US and Europe.

Didi Barnes - Partner (Chief of Business Operations)

Didi joined the firm in 1997. She is responsible for managing the business: for our finance, business strategy and development, and for our marketing and web presence too. Her technical background means she is also responsible for our in-house systems and network, and our in-house security and DR planing. Originally our Head of R&D, Didi developed many of our testing methodologies (particularly on wireless) and has written several white papers, made television appearances and helped write books on a variety of security topics.

Keiron Northmore - Partner (Head of Technical Services)

Keiron joined the firm in 2001. He is responsible for managing our staff and penetration testing team. He developed our robust penetration testing methodology, which he is responsible for reviewing and updating - adding new exploits and methodologies as they are discovered - and has personally identified several unique attack techniques. Keiron has been involved in developing our Oracle database security testing methodology and regularly conducts network penetration tests and network discovery audits at client sites.

Andy Wilson - Account Manager

Andy previously managed large accounts in both the mobile telecommunications and paper supply industries, making him an ideal candidate to look after the day-to-day interaction with our clients. Andy also has a strong aptitude for social engineering. He has conducted very successful social engineering exercises both by phone and in person, compromising perimeter security and gaining network access.

Vishal Garg - Technical Services Manager

Vishal has developed our web application testing methodology and is responsible for enhancing it to include new attack vectors as they are discovered. He applies his innovative style to identify new attack techniques and to exploit vulnerabilities in our test lab before making them part of our testing methodology. He interacts with our clients on a regular basis to discuss their testing requirements and to offer his expert advice during post-test discussions. He also undertakes on-site testing.

Mike McLaughlin - Penetration Tester

Mike's focus is external web application testing and external penetration/network testing. Mike works in collaboration with Vishal Garg, developing testing methodologies and discovering new attack vectors. Mike is responsible for our in-house test lab and testing tools. He interacts with our clients on a regular basis to discuss their testing requirements and to offer his expert advice during post-test discussions. He also undertakes on-site testing.

Rob Shapland - Penetration Tester

Rob brings a wide experience of web application and Windows application quality assurance testing to the team. He has an in-depth understanding of applications and testing methodologies. Rob's focus is on external penetration testing and network penetration testing. He also maintains and develops our in-house security vulnerability database, which ensures that our tests and your reports are accurate and relevant.

We also have a number of Associate Consultants that work with us such as UNIX and ISO/IEC 27000 specialists.

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B&Q	Gemalto (Gemplus)
Bradford & Bingley	Kingfisher
Bradford Health	Learning & Skills Council
Brighton & Hove City Council	London Stock Exchange
Co-Operative Group	Screwfix
Construction Industry Training Board	Skipton Building Society
Crest Nicholson	Thompson Heath Bond Group
EMX	TML Financial Services
Enterprise Inns	Tokyo Electron
Entertainment UK	Xchanging
Finance & Leasing Association	Xstrata

Peter Taylor, Information Security Manager, Bradford & Bingley: "We have worked closely with First Base Technologies to improve our understanding of network security risks, in particular in relation to our web sites, and we have always found the team responsive, professional and highly competent."

Myles Gibbins, Group IT Director, Crest Nicholson: "I first came across Peter Wood and First Base Technologies in 1998. I have sought them out in the two companies I have worked for since, and have recommended them on many occasions. A high level of professionalism has been displayed in every piece of work they have undertaken for me; their pragmatic approach is refreshing and their genuine enthusiasm for the work they do shines through on every assignment."

Jason Wilkins, Head of IT, Xstrata Group: "First Base has provided security testing services to Xstrata since 2002. Their team has proven knowledgeable, flexible and helpful - providing expert services with the minimum of fuss. Their reports are accurate and meaningful, backed up with discussions and explanations to ensure that we are as secure as possible."

Gareth Williams, IT Manager, Thompson Heath & Bond: "I first came into contact with First Base Technologies through training courses they ran on Windows NT and firewall security on behalf of Sophos. The courses were excellent: informative, relaxed and easy to follow. When I needed to ensure our Internet connection was secure, I turned to them for assistance. The reports they provided on our installation were very thorough and easy to follow, and included suggested solutions to potential problems. In addition, they have been available to offer advice and guidance where necessary. They have since formed the White-Hats group, which provides a forum for discussing security issues with like-minded souls. This has also proved to be an informative, friendly and helpful group."

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