

Enable SSH and ESXi Shell for ESXi 5.1 host

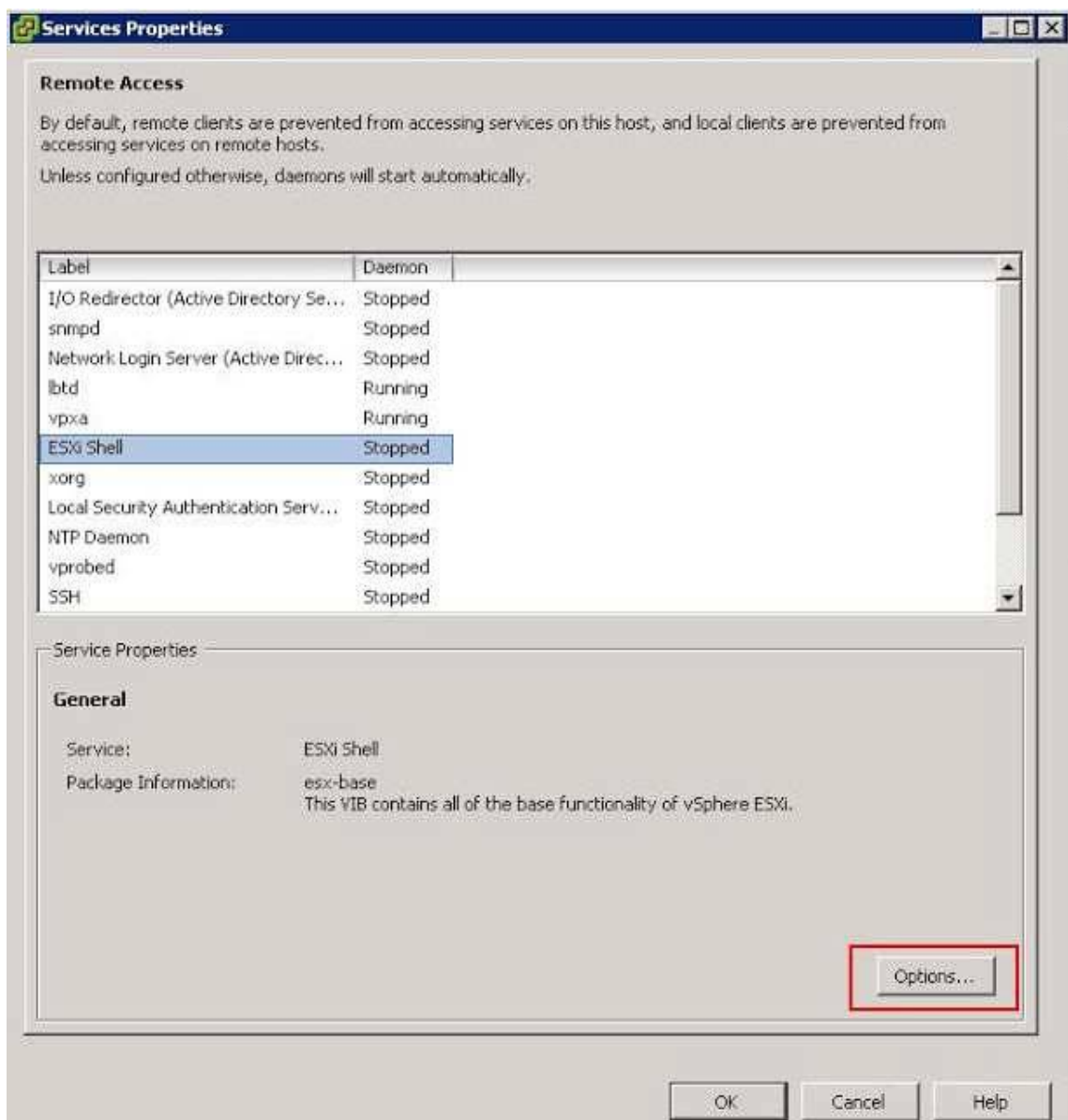
Enable SSH and ESXi Shell via vSphere client

1. Connect to your ESXi host or vCenter via vSphere client.

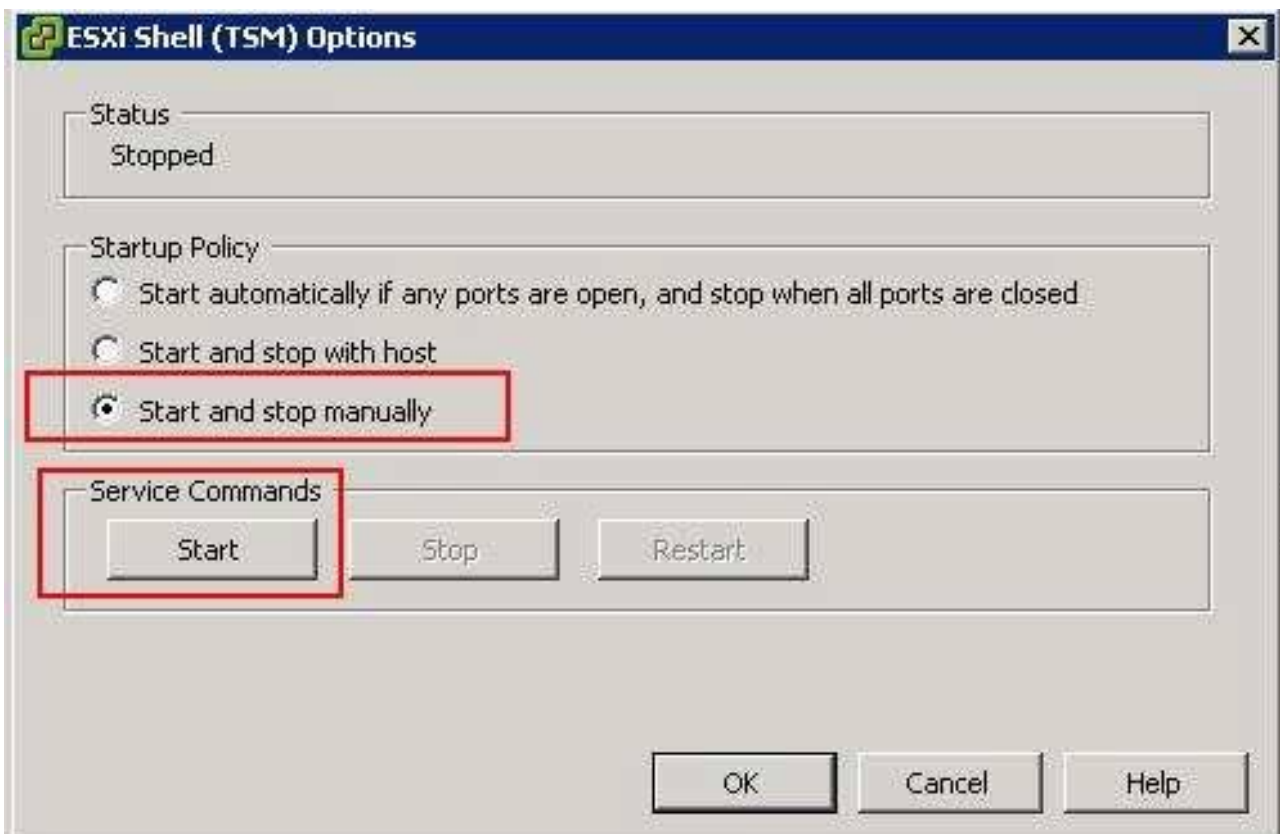
2. Click on Configuration tab -> Select security profile under software -> Click on Properties for services.



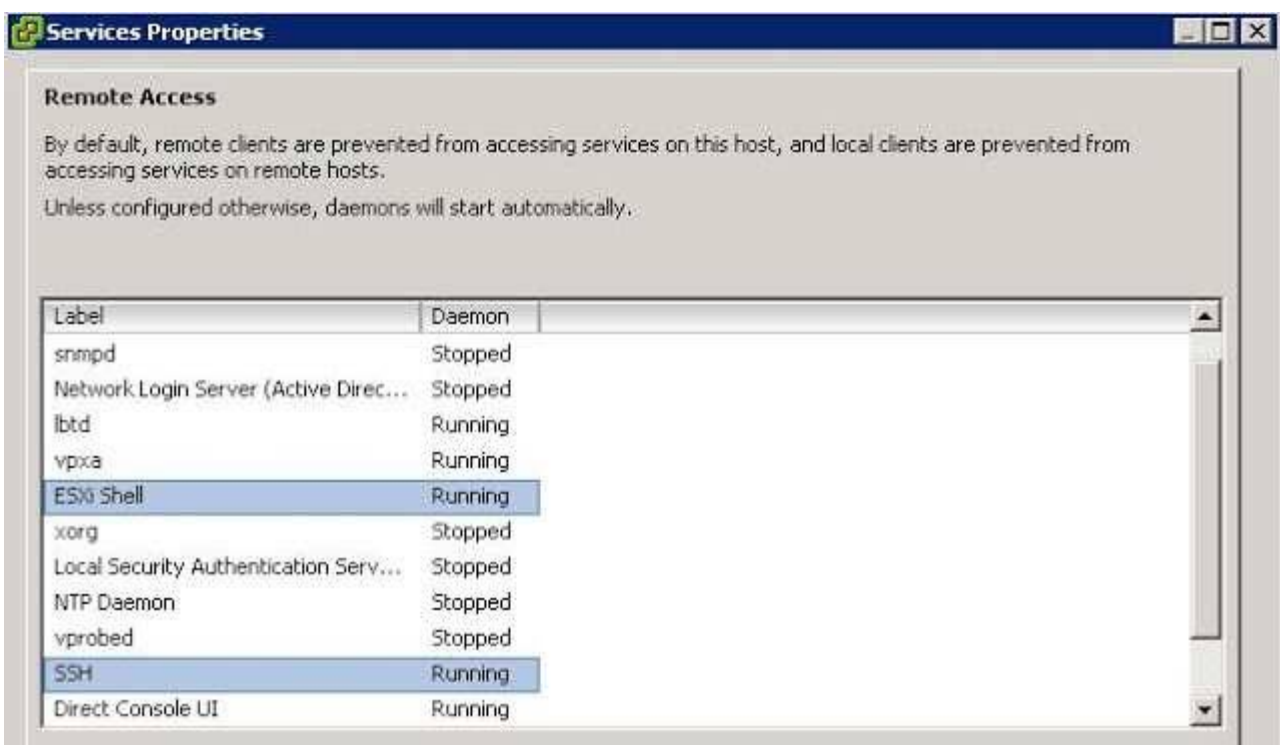
3. Select the service ESXi shell and click on Options



4. Select Start and stop Manually and click on Start to start the services



5. Follow the same step to enable SSH service for ESXi host. Make sure the service status is running once the service is started.



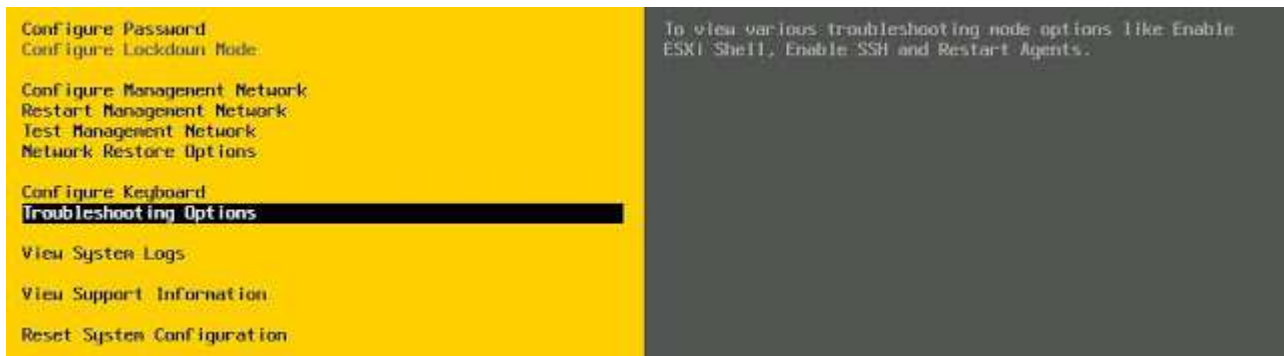
Enable SSH and ESXi Shell via Direct Console

1. Connect to your ESXi host via remote console connections like ILO or DRAC.

2. Press F2 to login with your root credentials



3. Select Troubleshooting options -> Press Enter



4. Press Enter on "Enable ESXi Shell" & "Enable SSH" to enable the services



5. Press Esc to logout.