Study Guide for Midterm

This is simply a guide of topics that I consider fair game for the midterm. I don't promise to ask you about them all, or about any of these in particular; but I may very well ask you about any of these.

- 1. Fundamentals
 - a. What is security?
 - b. Basics of risk analysis
 - c. Relationship of security policy to security
 - d. Assurance and security
- 2. Saltzer's and Schroeder's Principles of Secure Design
- 3. Penetration Studies
 - a. Flaw Hypothesis Methodology
 - b. Using vulnerabilities models
- 4. Vulnerabilities Models
 - a. RISOS
 - b. PA
 - c. Aslam
- 5. Security in Programming
 - a. Unknown interaction with other system components
 - b. Overflow (both numeric and buffer)
 - c. Race conditions (TOCTTOU flaw)
 - d. Environment (shell variables, UIDs, file descriptors, etc.)
 - e. Not resetting privileges
- 6. Robust Programming
- 7. Policies
 - a. Mandatory Access Control (MAC)
 - b. Discretionary Access Control (DAC)
 - c. Originator-Controlled Access Control (ORCON)
 - d. Policy languages
- 8. Confidentiality Models
 - a. Bell-LaPadula Model
 - b. Lattices and the BLP Model