The Certified Ethical Hacker (CEH) exam covers a wide range of topics related to cybersecurity and ethical hacking. Here are the core concepts and principles that you should be familiar with for each category of the exam:

# 1. Introduction to Ethical Hacking

Definition of ethical hacking Legal and ethical considerations Types of hackers Phases of ethical hacking

## 2. Footprinting and Reconnaissance

Information gathering techniques
Footprinting through search engines, social media, and other tools
DNS enumeration
Network scanning
Enumeration and vulnerability scanning

### 3. Scanning Networks

Port scanning techniques
Network mapping
Banner grabbing
Vulnerability scanning
Operating system fingerprinting

#### 4. Enumeration

NetBIOS enumeration SNMP enumeration LDAP enumeration NTP enumeration SMTP enumeration

## 5. System Hacking

Password cracking techniques Privilege escalation Trojans, backdoors, and rootkits File and folder permissions Physical security attacks

### 6. Malware Threats

Types of malware Virus, worm, and Trojan horse Spyware and adware Rootkits Bots and botnets

### 7. Sniffing

Types of sniffing attacks Sniffing tools and techniques ARP poisoning MAC flooding DNS poisoning

## 8. Social Engineering

Types of social engineering attacks
Human-based attacks
Email-based attacks
Phone-based attacks
Dumpster diving
Physical social engineering attacks

#### 9. Denial-of-Service

Types of DoS and DDoS attacks DoS/DDoS tools and techniques Ping of Death SYN flood Smurf attack

### 10. Session Hijacking

Session hijacking techniques Cookie hijacking Session fixation Cross-site scripting Cross-site request forgery

## 11. Hacking Web Servers

Web server attacks
Web server hacking tools and techniques
File inclusion attacks
SQL injection
Command injection

## 12. Hacking Web Applications

Web application attacks
Web application hacking tools and techniques
Cross-site scripting
SQL injection
Session hijacking

# 13. SQL Injection

Types of SQL injection attacks SQL injection tools and techniques SQL injection countermeasures Blind SQL injection Error-based SQL injection

## 14. Hacking Wireless Networks

Types of wireless networks
Wireless encryption and authentication
Wireless hacking tools and techniques
WEP cracking
WPA/WPA2 cracking

# 15. Hacking Mobile Platforms

Mobile platform vulnerabilities Mobile hacking tools and techniques Android hacking iOS hacking Mobile malware

### 16. IoT Hacking

IoT security vulnerabilities
IoT hacking tools and techniques
Firmware attacks
Radio frequency attacks
IoT botnets

These are the core concepts and principles that you should know for each category of the CEH exam. However, this is not an exhaustive list, and you should also be familiar with other related topics, such as cryptography, incident response, and penetration testing.