- 1. What is a digital signature?
- 2. What are properties (four of them) of a digital signature?
- 3. What is the purpose of a digital certificate?
- 4. What is the basic structure of a digital certificate?
- 5. What is a certificate chain?
- 6. What is a certificate authority?
- 7. What happens if a certificate is lost or stolen?
- 8. What is the real source of computer security problems? (The software/applications)
- 9. IEEE terminology
  - a. Error
  - b. Fault
  - c. Failure
- 10. What are functional requirements of a program?
- 11. What are security requirements of a program?
- 12. What does Penetrate and Patch mean? Is it effective?
- 13. What is the cost of fixing bugs in an application at different stages of development?
- 14. How does a buffer overflow work?
- 15. How does the stack work?
- 16. What is a setuid program?
- 17. What dangers does a setuid program present?
- 18. How can I defend against a buffer overflow attack?
- 19. What is incomplete mediation?
- 20. What is a time-of-check-to-time-of-use error?
- 21. What is an undocumented access point?
- 22. Why should I be concerned with libraries and utilities?
- 23. How is does trust impact computer systems?
- 24. What is a virus?
- 25. What is a worm?
- 26. What is a Trojan horse?
- 27. What is a logic bomb/time bomb?
- 28. What is the name of the important security report that was written in the 1970's for the department of defense? (The Ware report)
- 29. What was the Morris worm? What year? (1988)
- 30. What was the Morris worm attempting to do?
- 31. Know the following (general descriptions from the chart on page 175)
  - a. Melissa
  - b. ILoveYou
  - c. Code Red
  - d. Nimda
  - e. Stuxnet
- 32. What is a zero-day attack?
- 33. Is there evidence that patches really protect against attacks? (Yes. Why?)
- 34. What are the three categories of harm from malicious code?
  - a. Nondestructive

- b. Destructive
- c. Criminal/commercial intent
- 35. What are examples of
  - a. Harm to user
  - b. Harm to system
  - c. Harm to society
- 36. Describe the following types of virus infections
  - a. Appended virus
  - b. Surrounding virus
  - c. Integrated virus
- 37. What are goals of malware?
  - a. Six items
  - b. Page 185
- 38. What is a boot sector virus?
- 39. What is one-time execution/implanting? (as it relates to a virus)
- 40. What is a memory resident virus
- 41. What are application targets for a virus?
  - a. OS
  - b. Compiler
  - c. Antivirus
  - d. Interpretive programs (programs that open/read data. Word, pdf reader, etc)
- 42. Why is user vigilance important? What is it personally? What is it for a company?
- 43. AVS techniques
  - a. Signature detection
  - b. Byte sequence detection
  - c. Execution patterns
  - d. Storage patterns
- 44. What is a polymorphic virus?
- 45. What is an encrypting virus?
- 46. What is the signature for an encrypting virus?
- 47. What are the following countermeasures to malware? (Developer perspective)
  - a. Modularity
  - b. Encapsulation
  - c. Information hiding
  - d. Mutual suspicion
  - e. Confinement
  - f. Simplicity
  - g. Genetic Diversity
- 48. Testing techniques
  - a. Functional testing
  - b. Unit testing
  - c. Performance Testing
  - d. Integration Testing
- 49. What is penetration testing?

- 50. What is the effectiveness of penetration testing?
- 51. What are limitations of testing?
  - a. Can demonstrate the existence of a problem
  - b. Can't demonstrate the absence of a problem
- 52. Why is input validation so critical to perform?