Post Exam Reflection

This activity is designed to give you a chance to reflect on your exam performance and, more importantly, on the effectiveness of your exam preparation. Please be candid in your responses, so they will be valuable to you and to me. Your responses are being collected to improve teaching and learning in this course. They will have no impact on your grade, but you will receive credit for thoughtful reflection.

I. Answer these questions to reflect on the exam.

1. After studying for this exam, how many points (out of 100) did you expect to earn?
2. After completing the exam, how many points (out of 100) did you think you had earned?
3. How many points did you receive?
4. Approximately, how many hours did you spend studying for this exam?
5. Did you study enough?
6. Could you have studied “smarter”?

II. What percentage of your test-preparation time was spent in each of these activities (total should be 100%).

1. Reading textbook sections for the first time
2. Re-reading textbook sections
3. Answering end-of-section questions
4. Reviewing knowledge survey questions
5. Reviewing your own notes
6. Reviewing handouts
7. Discussing course materials and questions with classmates
8. Study the relationships among concepts and ideas

III. Carefully look over your exam and estimate the percentage of points you lost to each of the following (total should be 100%).

1. From careless mistakes
2. From not being familiar with terms
3. From not knowing facts
4. From not understanding concepts
5. From not being able to apply concepts in new contexts
6. From not seeing connections between concepts or facts
7. From other reasons (please specify)

IV. Based on your responses to the questions above, describe at least three things that you plan to do differently in preparing for the next exam. For instance, will you spend more time studying, change a specific study habit, or try a new one? Please describe.

V. Final Question: What can I do to help support your learning and your preparation for the next exam?