Introductory Astronomy I: Study Guide for Final Exam

The final exam for ASTR 129 will be held on **Wednesday, 14 December 2011** from 7:30 to 10:30 PM in room 125 SCIC (the normal classroom). It will consist of about 50 multiple-choice and perhaps some matching questions, and it will cover all of the material we've gone over this semester. Here are some helpful hints...

- Study the 3 exams. Go over all the questions. Make sure you understand each answer.
- Pay special attention to the "5 most missed" questions on each exam. They are likely to reappear in a similar form on the final.
- The study guides for the 3 exams should remind you of all the key points.
- For the final, you can expect me to emphasize those concepts that have broader applications. For example, we used the surface density of craters as a measure of age for all the planets and satellites, not just the Earth's moon. Geological activity v. mass is another example of something that was developed over the course of the semester, not necessarily in just one chapter.
- I recommend that you make a list of the 5 broadest/most important concepts from the semester and then anticipate a few questions I could ask about each.