Terms Quiz Study Sheet

The purpose of this study sheet is to help you organize your reading for this course. During the first week of classes in Turkey, we will have a quiz on the terms below. Eight of the following terms will appear on the quiz. You will be asked to select five, define each of them, and describe the significance of each of them (i.e., why would your professor put them on the exam?).

Except where noted, all terms can be found either as chapter headings, or in the glossary or index, of Renfrew and Bahn’s *Archaeology Essentials*, though you may need to look them up under the second word (“context, primary”).

stratigraphy
carbon 14 dating / radiocarbon dating
association
provenience
the “classificatory-historical period” (chapter one, before the section on New Archaeology)
processual archaeology/ New Archaeology
postprocessual explanation/ interpretive archaeology
primary vs. secondary context
“floating” chronology/relative chronology
cross-dating (see the section on “historical chronology” in chapter 4)
sealed deposit (see the section on “stratigraphy and association” in chapter 4)
terminus ante quem: you must give a concrete example (see under “dating” in index)
law of superposition