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1. Risk Identification

- The systematic process of discovering potential events or conditions that could impact the achievement of organizational objectives.

2. Identification Techniques

- Brainstorming workshops, historical incident data analysis, industry benchmarking, and SWOT analysis.

3. Risk Assessment

- Evaluating identified risks based on **likelihood** (probability of occurrence) and **impact** (severity of consequences if it occurs).

4. Risk Matrix

- A visual tool plotting likelihood against impact, helping prioritize which risks need the most urgent attention.

5. Qualitative vs. Quantitative Assessment

- **Qualitative**: uses descriptive scales (low/medium/high).
- **Quantitative**: uses numerical data (e.g., expected monetary loss, value-at-risk models).

6. Why It Matters

- Accurate identification and assessment ensure limited risk management resources are focused on the risks that matter most.