TEST FOR IRAN

Allow about 50 minutes for the following test:

Multiple-choice Questions:

1. Which of the following was a similarity between the Iranian Revolution of 1905-1909 and the Mexican Revolution of 1910-1911?

   (A) Both revolutions sought ideological purity.
   (B) Neither revolution was accompanied by significant violence.
   (C) Both revolutions sought to overthrow authoritarian rulers.
   (D) Both revolutions were led by peasants.
   (E) Neither revolution resulted in a written constitution.

2. Which of the following would be most likely to be critical of the current regime in Iran?

   (A) peasants
   (B) working-class people who live in cities
   (C) radical clerics
   (D) upper-middle class people who live in cities
   (E) lower-middle class people dependent on government subsidies

3. One result of the leadership transition between Muhammad Khatami and Mahmoud Ahmadinejad in 2005 was that

   (A) Iran increased its international trade
   (B) a gradual political liberalization took place
   (C) political parties became more competitive
   (D) the supreme leader lost power
   (E) censorship of newspapers, books, and websites increased

4. “Equality-with-difference” describes the Iranian government’s policy toward

   (A) women
   (B) population control
   (C) labor unions
   (D) Qom
   (E) ethnic minorities

5. Which of the following is NOT a power of the Guardian Council?

   (A) exercising jurist’s guardianship
   (B) selecting the supreme leader
   (C) deciding who can run for election to the Majles
   (D) deciding who can run in a presidential election
   (E) review of bills passed by the Majles to see that they conform to sharia