Questions

- 1. Why do revolutions happen in some countries but not in others?
- 2. Are revolutions inevitable, or can they be evaded?
- 3. Are revolutions the cause of change, or is it the other way around, namely that change prepares the ground for revolution?
- 4. Do revolutions conform to one or a few basic patterns?
- 5. What are some examples of "atypical" revolutions?
- 6. What constitutes a "social revolution"?
- 7. Is it possible to have revolutionary change without violence?
- 8. What types of political institutions or public policies help reduce the chances of revolution?
- 9. What constitutes a "revolutionary condition"?
- 10. What theories of revolution are most useful in cross-national studies covering different world-historical periods?
- 11. Is there a "typical aftermath" to revolution?
- 12. Do all triumphant revolutions ultimately decay?
- 13. Did the Russian Revolution of 1917 correspond to Marxist theory? Why or why not?
- 14. What attitude did the Chinese communists adopt toward such Confucian virtues as filial piety, respect for authority, belief in consensus, hard work, education, prudence, and a willingness to put society's interest before the individual's?
- 15. Was the 1979 revolution a liberating force for Iranian women, or did they emerge as one of the major losers?
- 16. Do post-revolutionary societies have a greater propensity for sociopolitical unrest than those that do not experience a revolution? Why or why not?
- 17. How do revolutionary governments attempt to reform themselves in the face of globalization and increasing popular appeals for participation and democracy?

PICK THREE (3) OF THE ABOVE QUESTIONS & ANSWER THEM IN YOUR OWN WORDS!!!

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