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Study Guide III

The following guide is provided to lead your study while preparing for the test. Several questions will be formulated out of these items (i.e., the questions may not be the same as the individual questions below) and given on Wednesday, May 15, 2019, 8:00-10:00 a.m. as test questions. You are expected to give complete answers to all questions. Some test questions may carry up to five points. Make sure you cover *all aspects* of individual questions. Test III carries 15 points.

- 1. What is the Great Game? Describe the impact of the Great Game on the peoples of Central Asia, Iran, and Afghanistan.
- 2. What factors convinced the Soviets in 1979 that they should occupy Afghanistan?
- 3. Write an essay on the history of the conflict between France and Algeria (1950s and 1960s).
- 4. Describe the D'Arcy Concession and explain its impact on Iranian society (1901-1960).
- 5. Describe the rise and fall of ISIS emphasizing its belief system, ideology, funding sources, and international reach.
- 6. What would the main features of a constitution for an Islamic caliphate consist of? *
- 7. Describe the Muslim Brotherhood and explain in detail the contributions of Hassan al-Banna and Sayyid Qutb to it.
- 8. Describe the Soviets' treatment of the Muslims of Central Asia, with respect to the *Shari'a*, as well as the Central Asians' reaction to Soviet measures.
- 9. Describe the Soviets' treatment of the Afghans prior to and after their occupation of Afghanistan.
- 10. Describe the pros and cons of the one-state solution.
- 11. Describe the pros and cons of the two-state solution.
- 12. Describe the following: Wahhabism; *Jadidism*; Basmachi Movement; *Hizbollah*; *Salafism*; Islamism; ISIS; Arab Spring; Pan-Islamism.
- 13. Write an essay on the life and contributions of Jamal al-Din al-Afghani
- 14. Identify and explain the root causes that compel people and/or communities to resort to terrorism.
- 15. Describe the activities of the al-Qaeda and the Taliban and indicate the similarities and differences between the two.
- 16. What are some of the common features among the Islamic political groups?
- 17. What are some of the factors that create division between Islam and Christianity?
- 18. What are the major parts of a mosque? Explain the function of those parts.
- 19. Write an essay on the life of each of the following figures: (two will be chosen)
 - a. Ismail Gasprinski
 - b. Abu A'la al-Maududi
 - c. Mohamed Morsi
 - d. Fethullah Gulen

* See the last slides of "Leaders of Political Islam II" PowerPoint (which is on Canvas) for a sample constitution.