1.

It should be 7 columns by 9 rows.

Because 7 columns by 9 rows has a difference sum of 5.4, while 9 columns by 7 rows has a difference sum of 11.4.

2.

LASER BEAMS CAN BE MODULATED TO CARRY MORE INTELLIGENCE THAN RADIO WAVES QR

3.

The IC of the first paragraph is: 0.0642208.

The IC of the second paragraph is: 0.0667896.

The IC of the third paragraph is: 0.0494254.

The IC of the fourth paragraph is: 0.0642208.

4.

The IC of this paragraph is 0.0397809, so it should be polyalphabetic cipher.

5.

WHY DID YOU LOOK IF I CALLED THE WRONG NUMBER ANSWER THE PHONE (I solved this problem with the hint given by the professor, thanks a lot!)