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Question 1 Islamiat

Approximately how far apart are the holy cities of Makkah and Madinah by road?

- A. 480 km ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. 100 km
- C. 200 km

km

Why this answer? The road distance between Makkah and Madinah is about 450–480 km, so 480 km is the closest option.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q1 (Makkah–Madinah road distance about 450–480 km)

Question 2 Islamiat

In which year did the Holy Prophet (PBUH) begin preaching Islam openly, three years after the first revelation?

- A. 609 A.D
- B. 613 A.D ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. 610 A.D
- D. 606 A.D

Why this answer? The Prophet began public preaching in 613 AD, three years after the first revelation in 610 AD.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q2 (public preaching began in 613 AD, three years after the first revelation)

Question 3 Islamiat

The conquest of Makkah by the Muslims took place in which year (8 AH)?

- A. 620 A.D
- B. 625 A.D
- C. 630 A.D ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. 635 A.D

Why this answer? The Muslims conquered Makkah in 630 AD (8 AH).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q3

Makkah in 630 AD, 8 AH)

Question 4 Islamiat

Which of these men founded the city of Baghdad in 762?

- A. Haroon-ur-Rashid
- B. Abbas-al-Safah
- C. Mamun-ur-Rashid
- D. None ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Baghdad was founded in 762 by Caliph al-Mansur, who is not among the options, so “None” is the answer.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q5 (Baghdad founded in 762 by al-Mansur, who is not among the options)

Question 5 Islamiat

Which people's army entered Sindh in 712 AD under Muhammad bin Qasim?

- A. Arabs ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Turks
- C. Afghans
- D. Persians

Why this answer? Muhammad bin Qasim's Arab army invaded Sindh in 712 AD.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q6 (Arab army invaded Sindh in 712 AD)

Question 6 Islamiat

Hazrat Umar ibn al-Khattab, the second Pious Caliph, belonged to which clan of the Quraysh?

u Ummayya

- B. Banu Adi ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Banu Taym
- D. Banu Hashim

Why this answer? Hazrat Umar belonged to the Banu Adi clan of the Quraysh.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q7 (Hazrat Umar belonged to the Banu Adi clan)

Question 7 Islamiat

After Damascus ceased to be the seat of the caliphate, which city became the Abbasid capital in 762?

- A. Makka
- B. Istanbul
- C. Baghdad ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Cairo

Why this answer? After the Abbasids overthrew the Umayyads, the caliphate's capital moved from Damascus to Baghdad (762).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q8 (capital moved from Damascus to Baghdad in 762)

Question 8 Islamiat

Suleiman the Magnificent, who reigned from 1520 to 1566, was the sultan of which dynasty?

- A. Abbasid
- B. Umayyad
- C. Mughal
- D. Ottoman ✓ **Predicted answer**

swer? Suleiman the Magnificent was the Ottoman Sultan (1520–1566).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q10 (Suleiman the Magnificent was the Ottoman Sultan, 1520–1566)

Question 9 Islamiat

Which battle, fought in 625, was the second major encounter between the Muslims of Madinah and the Quraysh of Makkah?

- A. Uhud ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Khandak
- C. Khyber
- D. Badr

Why this answer? Uhud (625) was the second battle; Badr (624) was the first.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q12 (Uhud (625) was the second battle after Badr)

Question 10 Islamiat

In which year did Tariq ibn Ziyad lead the Muslim invasion of Spain?

- A. 706 A.D
- B. 711 A.D ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. 722 A.D
- D. 730 A.D

Why this answer? Tariq ibn Ziyad invaded Spain in 711 AD.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q13 (Muslim invasion of Spain in 711 AD)

11 Islamiat

Which Western author wrote the renowned biography “Muhammad: His Life Based on the Earliest Sources” (1983)?

- A. Vincent Cronin
- B. Michael H. Hart
- C. Martin Lings ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Maurice Bucaille

Why this answer? Martin Lings wrote the renowned biography “Muhammad: His Life Based on the Earliest Sources” (1983).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q17 (Martin Lings wrote the renowned biography of the Prophet (1983))

Question 12 Islamiat

In which year was the Mughal Empire in India formally abolished by the British after the War of Independence?

- A. 1707 A.D
- B. 1758 A.D
- C. 1801 A.D
- D. 1857 A.D ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? After the War of Independence in 1857, the British abolished the Mughal Empire and exiled Bahadur Shah Zafar.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q18 (Mughal Empire formally abolished in 1857)

Question 13 Islamiat

How many pillars of Islam are there?

- B. 5 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. 6
- D. 3

Why this answer? Islam has five pillars: Shahadah, Salat, Zakat, Sawm and Hajj.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — Islamiat: the five pillars of Islam recur in every sitting of this post.

Question 14 Islamiat

Which is the first month of the Islamic calendar?

- A. Zul-Hijjah
- B. Ramadan
- C. Muharram ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Shawwal

Why this answer? Muharram is the first month of the Islamic (Hijri) calendar.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — Islamiat: the Islamic calendar recur in every sitting of this post.

Question 15 Islamiat

The Holy Quran was first revealed to the Holy Prophet (PBUH) in which cave?

- A. Thaur
- B. Uhud
- C. Safa
- D. Hira ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? The first revelation came to the Holy Prophet (PBUH) in the Cave of Hira.

ed [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — Islamiat: the first revelation of the Holy Quran recur in every sitting of this post.

Question 16 Islamiat

Which Surah of the Holy Quran is known as the heart of the Quran?

- A. Yasin ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Rahman
- C. Mulk
- D. Ikhlas

Why this answer? Surah Yasin is known as the heart of the Quran.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — Islamiat: the Surahs of the Holy Quran recur in every sitting of this post.

Question 17 Islamiat

For how many years did the Holy Prophet (PBUH) preach in Makkah before the Hijrah?

- A. 11
- B. 13 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. 15
- D. 10

Why this answer? The Holy Prophet (PBUH) preached in Makkah for 13 years before the Hijrah in 622 AD.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — Islamiat: the life of the Holy Prophet (PBUH) recur in every sitting of this post.

Question 18 Islamiat

Who was the first Caliph of Islam?

rat Ali

- B. Hazrat Umar
- C. Hazrat Abu Bakr ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Hazrat Usman

Why this answer? Hazrat Abu Bakr Siddique was the first Caliph of Islam (632–634 AD).

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — Islamiat: the Pious Caliphs recur in every sitting of this post.

Question 19 Pakistan Studies

Who was the Viceroy of India when Bengal was partitioned in 1905?

- A. Lord Curzon ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Lord Clive
- C. Lord Wavell
- D. Lord Mayo

Why this answer? Lord Curzon was Viceroy when Bengal was partitioned in 1905.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q21 (Lord Curzon was Viceroy at the 1905 partition of Bengal)

Question 20 Pakistan Studies

Who headed the Simla Deputation that met Viceroy Lord Minto on 1 October 1906?

- A. Muhammad Ali Jinnah
- B. Sir Agha Khan ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Nawab Mohsin-ul-Mulk
- D. Nawab Salimullah Khan

Why this answer? The Aga Khan led the Simla Deputation of 35 Muslim leaders to Lord Minto on 1 October 1906.

ed [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q22 (Aga Khan led the Simla Deputation to Lord Minto, 1 October 1906)

Question 21 Pakistan Studies

What makes the year 1916 significant in the history of the freedom movement?

- A. Dismissal of the Governor General
- B. Hindu-Muslim riots
- C. Lucknow Pact ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Annulment of Bengal's partition

Why this answer? The Lucknow Pact (December 1916) between the Congress and the Muslim League is the significant event of 1916.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q23 (Lucknow Pact of December 1916)

Question 22 Pakistan Studies

After which movement did Gandhi emerge as the foremost leader of India?

- A. Jinnah's joining of Muslim League
- B. Lucknow Pact
- C. Partition of Bengal
- D. Khilafat Movement ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Gandhi became the foremost leader of India through the Khilafat and Non-Cooperation movements (1919–1922).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q24 (Gandhi rose through the Khilafat Movement)

23 Pakistan Studies

The Montagu-Chelmsford Reforms were enacted through the Government of India Act of which year?

- A. 1919 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. 1906
- C. 1921
- D. 1930

Why this answer? The Montagu–Chelmsford Reforms were announced in 1918 and enacted in the Government of India Act 1919.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q25 (Montagu–Chelmsford Reforms enacted in the Act of 1919)

Question 24 Pakistan Studies

Who presided over the 1930 Allahabad session of the All-India Muslim League and delivered the famous Allahabad Address?

- A. Hakim Ajmal Khan
- B. Allama Iqbal ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Muhammad Ali Jinnah
- D. Sir Agha Khan

Why this answer? Allama Iqbal presided over the Allahabad session of the Muslim League in 1930 and delivered his famous address.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q26 (Allama Iqbal presided over the Allahabad session, 1930)

Question 25 Pakistan Studies

Who held the office of Viceroy of India immediately before Lord Mountbatten?

- B. Lord Irwin
- C. Lord Wavell ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. None

Why this answer? Lord Wavell was Viceroy immediately before Mountbatten (1943–1947).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q27 (Lord Wavell was Viceroy immediately before Mountbatten)

Question 26 Pakistan Studies

Which mission arrived in India in March 1942?

- A. Cripps Mission ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Simon Commission
- C. Cabinet Mission
- D. None of them

Why this answer? The Cripps Mission arrived in India in March 1942.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q28 (Cripps Mission arrived in March 1942)

Question 27 Pakistan Studies

The 1956 Constitution of Pakistan is chiefly credited to whom?

- A. Ghulam Muhammad
- B. Sikandar Mirza
- C. Muhammad Ali Bogra
- D. Ch. Muhammad Ali ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Chaudhry Muhammad Ali, Prime Minister in 1955–1956, is considered the chief architect of the 1956 Constitution.

ed [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q29 (Chaudhry Muhammad Ali, chief architect of the 1956 Constitution)

Question 28 Pakistan Studies

Before becoming Governor General in 1951, what office did Ghulam Muhammad hold?

- A. Speaker of National Assembly
- B. Finance Minister ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Governor of East Pakistan
- D. Secretary General of Pakistan Government

Why this answer? Ghulam Muhammad was Finance Minister (1947–1951) before becoming Governor General in 1951.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q30 (Ghulam Muhammad was Finance Minister before becoming Governor General in 1951)

Question 29 Pakistan Studies

How many tiers did the Basic Democracies system introduced by President Ayub Khan in 1959 have?

- A. Two-tier
- B. Three-tier
- C. Four-tier ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Five-tier

Why this answer? The Basic Democracies Order 1959 set up a four-tier system (Union Council, Tehsil/Thana Council, District Council, Divisional Council).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q31 (Basic Democracies was a four-tier system)

30 Pakistan Studies

Who was Pakistan's Foreign Minister during the 1965 war with India?

- A. Sir Zafarullah Khan
- B. Muhammad Ali Bogra
- C. Manzur Qadir
- D. Z. A. Bhutto ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Zulfikar Ali Bhutto was Foreign Minister of Pakistan during the 1965 war.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q32 (Z. A. Bhutto was Foreign Minister during the 1965 war)

Question 31 Pakistan Studies

In which year was the Agartala Conspiracy Case launched against Sheikh Mujibur Rahman and others?

- A. 1968 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. 1969
- C. 1963
- D. 1951

Why this answer? The Agartala Conspiracy Case was launched in January 1968 against Sheikh Mujibur Rahman and others.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q33 (Agartala Conspiracy Case launched in January 1968)

Question 32 Pakistan Studies

Which political party was founded in Lahore on 30 November 1967 by Z. A. Bhutto?

- A. National Awami Party

istan Peoples Party ✓ **Predicted answer**

- C. Jamiat-ul-Ulema-i-Islam
- D. Jamaat-e-Islami

Why this answer? The Pakistan Peoples Party was founded by Z. A. Bhutto on 30 November 1967 in Lahore.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q34 (Pakistan Peoples Party founded 30 November 1967)

Question 33 Pakistan Studies

Who took over as President of Pakistan on 20 December 1971?

- A. Fazal Ilahi Chaudhry
- B. Gen. Yahya Khan
- C. Z. A. Bhutto ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Nur-ul-Amin

Why this answer? Zulfikar Ali Bhutto became President (and Chief Martial Law Administrator) on 20 December 1971.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q35 (Z. A. Bhutto became President on 20 December 1971)

Question 34 Pakistan Studies

Under the Land Reforms of 1972, ownership of irrigated land was limited to how many acres?

- A. 200 acres
- B. 4250 acres
- C. 500 acres
- D. 150 acres ✓ **Predicted answer**

swer? The Land Reforms Regulation of 1972 fixed the ceiling at 150 acres of irrigated land (300 acres unirrigated).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q36 (1972 land reforms capped irrigated land at 150 acres)

Question 35 Pakistan Studies

By what name is the Peshawar–Islamabad Motorway known?

- A. M-1 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. M-3
- C. M-4
- D. M-5

Why this answer? The Peshawar–Islamabad Motorway is the M-1.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q85 (Peshawar–Islamabad Motorway is the M-1)

Question 36 Pakistan Studies

In which year was Pakistan International Airlines established?

- A. 1949
- B. 1955 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. 1960
- D. 1965

Why this answer? Pakistan International Airlines was established in 1955 (taking over Orient Airways).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q86 (PIA established in 1955)

37 Pakistan Studies

Who is known as the founder of Pakistan?

- A. Sir Syed Ahmed Khan
- B. Liaquat Ali Khan
- C. Allama Iqbal
- D. Quaid-e-Azam Muhammad Ali Jinnah ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Quaid-e-Azam Muhammad Ali Jinnah is known as the founder of Pakistan.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — Pakistan Studies: the founder of Pakistan and the creation of Pakistan recur in every sitting of this post.

Question 38 Pakistan Studies

Pakistan came into being on which date?

- A. 14 August 1947 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. 15 August 1947
- C. 23 March 1940
- D. 3 June 1947

Why this answer? Pakistan came into being on 14 August 1947.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — Pakistan Studies: the dates of the freedom movement recur in every sitting of this post.

Question 39 Pakistan Studies

Which is the national language of Pakistan?

- A. Punjabi
- B. Urdu ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Sindhi

Why this answer? Urdu is the national language of Pakistan.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — Pakistan Studies: the national symbols and facts about Pakistan recur in every sitting of this post.

Question 40 Pakistan Studies

Which is the longest river of Pakistan?

- A. Chenab
- B. Jhelum
- C. Indus ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Ravi

Why this answer? The Indus is the longest river of Pakistan.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — Pakistan Studies: the rivers and geography of Pakistan recur in every sitting of this post.

Question 41 Pakistan Studies

Which city is the capital of Pakistan?

- A. Rawalpindi
- B. Lahore
- C. Karachi
- D. Islamabad ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Islamabad is the capital of Pakistan.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — Pakistan Studies: the capitals and geography of Pakistan recur in every sitting of this post.

42 Pakistan Studies

The Lahore Resolution was passed in which year?

- A. 1940 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. 1946
- C. 1930
- D. 1935

Why this answer? The Lahore Resolution was passed on 23 March 1940.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — Pakistan Studies: the Lahore Resolution recur in every sitting of this post.

Question 43 Pakistan Studies

Who was the first Prime Minister of Pakistan?

- A. Chaudhry Muhammad Ali
- B. Liaquat Ali Khan ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Khawaja Nazimuddin
- D. Muhammad Ali Bogra

Why this answer? Liaquat Ali Khan was the first Prime Minister of Pakistan (1947–1951).

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — Pakistan Studies: the first office-holders of Pakistan recur in every sitting of this post.

Question 44 English

Choose the word nearest in meaning to HAUGHTY:

- A. Insipid
- B. Mighty
- C. Egoistic ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Cunning

swer? Haughty means arrogantly proud, egoistic (self-important, conceited) is the nearest synonym among the options.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q39 (haughty means arrogantly proud; nearest synonym egoistic)

Question 45 English

Choose the word nearest in meaning to HUMANE:

- A. Manly
- B. Humble
- C. Modest
- D. Sympathetic ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Humane means showing kindness and compassion; sympathetic is the nearest synonym.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q40 (humane means kind and compassionate; nearest synonym sympathetic)

Question 46 English

Choose the word nearest in meaning to BENIGN:

- A. Gentle ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Cordial
- C. Admirable
- D. Blessed

Why this answer? Benign means gentle and kindly, not harmful.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q41 (benign means gentle and kindly)

47 English

Choose the word nearest in meaning to SUPERFICIAL:

- A. Unnatural
- B. Shallow ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Excellent
- D. Excessive

Why this answer? Superficial means shallow, concerned only with the surface.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q42 (superficial means shallow)

Question 48 English

Choose the word nearest in meaning to SYNTHETIC:

- A. Homogeneous
- B. Simplified
- C. Artificial ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Composite

Why this answer? Synthetic means made artificially, not natural.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q43 (synthetic means made artificially)

Question 49 English

Choose the word nearest in meaning to DUBIOUS:

- A. Deceitful
- B. Treacherous
- C. Extraneous
- D. Doubtful ✓ **Predicted answer**

swer? Dubious means doubtful, uncertain.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q44 (dubious means doubtful)

Question 50 English

Choose the word nearest in meaning to FELICITY:

- A. Happiness ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Convenience
- C. Economy
- D. Ease

Why this answer? Felicity means great happiness.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q45 (felicity means great happiness)

Question 51 English

Choose the word nearest in meaning to JOVIAL:

- A. Impatient
- B. Merry ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Enthusiastic
- D. Excited

Why this answer? Jovial means cheerful and merry.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q46 (jovial means cheerful and merry)

Question 52 English

Choose the word nearest in meaning to IMPECCABLE:

- B. Blinding
- C. Faultless ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Unmentionable

Why this answer? Impeccable means faultless, without any flaw.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q47 (impeccable means faultless)

Question 53 English

A PARADOX is a statement that looks false but is actually true. Which of the following words comes closest to it?

- A. Hyperbole
- B. Invective
- C. Exaggeration
- D. Contradiction ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? A paradox is a statement that seems self-contradictory yet is true; contradiction is the nearest term among the options.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q48 (a paradox is a statement that seems contradictory yet is true)

Question 54 English

Choose the word OPPOSITE in meaning to EPHEMERAL (short-lived):

- A. Eternal ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Sensuous
- C. Passing
- D. Popular

swer? Ephemeral means short-lived, so its opposite is eternal (lasting for ever).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q49 (ephemeral means short-lived; its opposite is eternal)

Question 55 English

Choose the word OPPOSITE in meaning to EQUILIBRIUM (balance):

- A. Urgency
- B. Imbalance ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Peace
- D. Inequality

Why this answer? Equilibrium means balance, so its opposite is imbalance.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q50 (equilibrium means balance; its opposite is imbalance)

Question 56 English

Choose the word OPPOSITE in meaning to RAUCOUS (noisy):

- A. Realistic
- B. Veracious
- C. Mellifluous ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Uncooked

Why this answer? Raucous means harsh and noisy, so its opposite is mellifluous (sweet and smooth-sounding).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q51 (raucous means harsh and noisy; its opposite is mellifluous)

57 English

Choose the word OPPOSITE in meaning to VENAL (open to bribery):

- A. Corrupt
- B. Angry
- C. Springlike
- D. Honest ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Venal means corrupt and open to bribery, so its opposite is honest.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q52 (venal means corrupt and open to bribery; its opposite is honest)

Question 58 English

Choose the word OPPOSITE in meaning to BARE:

- A. Cover ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Merely
- C. Tolerate
- D. Uncover

Why this answer? Bare means uncovered, so its opposite is to cover.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q53 (bare means uncovered; its opposite is to cover)

Question 59 English

What does the expression “alter ego” mean?

- A. Forgotten incident
- B. Close friend ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Worst enemy
- D. Distant relative

swer? An alter ego is a second self, a very close friend one trusts completely.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q74 (alter ego means a second self, a very close friend)

Question 60 English

Who wrote the novel “Pride and Prejudice” (1813)?

- A. Agatha Christie
- B. George Orwell
- C. Jane Austen ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Thomas Hardy

Why this answer? “Pride and Prejudice” (1813) was written by Jane Austen.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q80 (“Pride and Prejudice” was written by Jane Austen)

Question 61 English

Choose the word nearest in meaning to BRAVE:

- A. Weak
- B. Timid
- C. Fearless ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Cowardly

Why this answer? Brave means fearless, showing courage.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — English: synonyms recur in every sitting of this post.

Question 62 English

Choose the word OPPOSITE in meaning to ANCIENT:

- B. Aged
- C. Old
- D. Modern ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Ancient means very old, so its opposite is modern.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — English: antonyms recur in every sitting of this post.

Question 63 English

Which of these words is spelt correctly?

- A. Receive ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Receeve
- C. Riceive
- D. Recieve

Why this answer? “Receive” is the correct spelling (i before e, except after c).

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — English: spelling recur in every sitting of this post.

Question 64 English

The idiom “to beat around the bush” means:

- A. To hit a bush
- B. To avoid coming to the point ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. To run fast
- D. To hide in a bush

Why this answer? To beat around the bush means to avoid coming directly to the point.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — English: idioms recur in every

s post.

Question 65 English

One who can use both hands equally well is called:

- A. Flexible
- B. Versatile
- C. Ambidextrous ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Bilingual

Why this answer? A person who can use both hands equally well is ambidextrous.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — English: one-word substitution recur in every sitting of this post.

Question 66 English

Choose the word nearest in meaning to HONEST:

- A. Cunning
- B. Greedy
- C. False
- D. Truthful ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Honest means truthful and sincere.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — English: synonyms recur in every sitting of this post.

Question 67 English

Choose the passive voice of “He wrote a letter”:

- A. A letter was written by him ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. A letter is written by him

tter has been written by him

- D. A letter will be written by him

Why this answer? In the passive voice the past simple becomes “was + past participle”: a letter was written by him.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — English: voice (active and passive) recur in every sitting of this post.

Question 68 English

Choose the word OPPOSITE in meaning to VICTORY:

- A. Success
- B. Defeat ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Win
- D. Triumph

Why this answer? Victory means winning, so its opposite is defeat.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — English: antonyms recur in every sitting of this post.

Question 69 Everyday Science

Who presented the theory of relativity?

- A. Galileo Galilei
- B. Michael Faraday
- C. Isaac Newton
- D. Albert Einstein ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Einstein presented the theory of relativity (special 1905, general 1915).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q64 (theory of relativity presented by Einstein)

70 Everyday Science

An adult human skeleton is made up of how many bones?

- A. 206 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. 115
- C. 501
- D. 79

Why this answer? The adult human skeleton has 206 bones.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q65 (adult human skeleton has 206 bones)

Question 71 Everyday Science

About how much blood does a healthy adult male have in his body?

- A. 3 litres
- B. 5 litres ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. 7 litres
- D. 10 litres

Why this answer? A healthy adult male has approximately 5 litres of blood.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q66 (healthy adult male has about 5 litres of blood)

Question 72 Everyday Science

Into how many main regions is the human brain divided?

- A. 5
- B. 2
- C. 3 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. 94

swer? The brain is mainly divided into three regions: forebrain, midbrain and hindbrain.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q67 (brain mainly divided into three regions)

Question 73 Everyday Science

Chickenpox is caused by which kind of germ?

- A. Bacteria
- B. Protozoans
- C. Fungus
- D. Virus ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Chickenpox is caused by the varicella-zoster virus.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q68 (chickenpox is caused by a virus)

Question 74 Everyday Science

Who developed the first cholera vaccine?

- A. Louis Pasteur ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Edward Jenner
- C. John F. Enders
- D. Leon Calmette

Why this answer? Louis Pasteur developed the first cholera vaccine (for fowl cholera, 1879), the foundation of cholera vaccination.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q69 (cholera vaccine developed by Louis Pasteur)

75 Everyday Science

Anaemia is most commonly caused by the deficiency of which substance?

- A. Pellagra
- B. Iron ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Iodine
- D. Vitamin

Why this answer? Anaemia is most commonly caused by iron deficiency (too little haemoglobin).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q70 (anaemia most commonly caused by iron deficiency)

Question 76 Everyday Science

Who discovered the antibiotic penicillin in 1928?

- A. James Blundell
- B. William Harvey
- C. Alexander Fleming ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Joseph Lister

Why this answer? Fleming discovered penicillin in 1928.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q71 (penicillin discovered by Alexander Fleming, 1928)

Question 77 Everyday Science

Which gas do plants absorb from the air for photosynthesis?

- A. Oxygen
- B. Nitrogen
- C. Carbon dioxide ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Plants absorb carbon dioxide from the air for photosynthesis.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — Everyday Science: photosynthesis and plant life recur in every sitting of this post.

Question 78 Everyday Science

What is the boiling point of water at sea level?

- A. 110°C
- B. 90°C
- C. 95°C
- D. 100°C ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Water boils at 100°C at sea level (normal atmospheric pressure).

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — Everyday Science: heat and temperature recur in every sitting of this post.

Question 79 Everyday Science

Which organ of the human body pumps blood around the body?

- A. Heart ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Kidney
- C. Lung
- D. Liver

Why this answer? The heart pumps blood around the body.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — Everyday Science: the human body recur in every sitting of this post.

80 Everyday Science

What is the chemical symbol of water?

- A. O2
- B. H2O ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. NaCl
- D. CO2

Why this answer? Water is H2O: two hydrogen atoms and one oxygen atom.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — Everyday Science: chemical symbols and formulae recur in every sitting of this post.

Question 81 Mathematics

Ten years ago a father's age was three times his son's age. Ten years hence his age will be twice his son's age. What is the ratio of their present ages?

- A. 7 : 9
- B. 11 : 13
- C. 4 : 7
- D. 7 : 3 ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Let the son's present age be S and the father's F: F − 10 = 3(S − 10) and F + 10 = 2(S + 10), giving S = 30 and F = 70, so the ratio of their present ages is 70 : 30 = 7 : 3.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q58 (father : son present ages 70 : 30 = 7 : 3)

Question 82 Mathematics

Between 100 and 300, how many whole numbers have both 7 and 11 as factors?

- A. 2 ✓ **Predicted answer**

- C. 5
- D. 3

Why this answer? A number divisible by both 7 and 11 is divisible by 77; between 100 and 300 these are 154 and 231 — two numbers.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q59 (numbers between 100 and 300 divisible by 77 are 154 and 231)

Question 83 Mathematics

What comes next in the series 120, 99, 80, 63, 48, ...?

- A. 45
- B. 35 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. 40
- D. 42

Why this answer? The differences are −21, −19, −17, −15, so the next difference is −13 and the next term is 48 − 13 = 35.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q60 (series differences −21, −19, −17, −15; next term 35)

Question 84 Mathematics

What comes next in the series 3, 10, 101, ...?

- A. 10001
- B. 10222
- C. 10202 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. 12210

Why this answer? Each term is the square of the previous term plus 1 ($3^2 + 1 = 10$, $10^2 + 1$

e next is 101² + 1 = 10202.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q61 (each term is the square of the previous term plus 1; next term 10202)

Question 85 Mathematics

Given that 4x + 12 = 36, find the value of x + 3.

- A. 12
- B. 18
- C. 36
- D. 9 ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? 4x = 24, so x = 6, and x + 3 = 9.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q62 (4x + 12 = 36 gives x = 6, so x + 3 = 9)

Question 86 Mathematics

Given that 7x + 10 = 44, find the value of 7x − 10.

- A. 24 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. 36
- C. 10
- D. 12

Why this answer? 7x = 34, so 7x − 10 = 24.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q63 (7x + 10 = 44 gives 7x = 34, so 7x − 10 = 24)

Question 87 Mathematics

Anwar's and Ali's ages today stand in the ratio 5 : 4, and in three years' time they will

: 9. How old is Ali today?

- A. 35
- B. 24 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. 25
- D. 30

Why this answer? Let Ali's age be 4k and Anwar's 5k; in three years (5k + 3)/(4k + 3) = 11/9 gives k = 6, so Ali is 24.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2006 Q75 (Anwar : Ali 5 : 4, becoming 11 : 9 in three years; Ali is 24)

Question 88 Mathematics

What is the mean of 4, 8 and 12?

- A. 12
- B. 6
- C. 8 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. 10

Why this answer? The mean is (4 + 8 + 12) ÷ 3 = 24 ÷ 3 = 8.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — Mathematics: mean, median and mode recur in every sitting of this post.

Question 89 Mathematics

What is the median of 3, 7, 9, 12 and 15?

- A. 12
- B. 10
- C. 7
- D. 9 ✓ **Predicted answer**

swer? The numbers are already in order, the middle value of five values is the third, 9.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — Mathematics: mean, median and mode recur in every sitting of this post.

Question 90 Mathematics

What is the mode of 2, 3, 3, 5, 7 and 3?

- A. 3 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. 5
- C. 7
- D. 2

Why this answer? The mode is the most frequent value: 3 appears three times.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — Mathematics: mean, median and mode recur in every sitting of this post.

Question 91 Mathematics

What is 15% of 200?

- A. 25
- B. 30 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. 35
- D. 20

Why this answer? 15% of 200 is 15 × 200 ÷ 100 = 30.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — Mathematics: percentages recur in every sitting of this post.

92 Mathematics

If a coin is tossed once, what is the probability of getting a head?

- A. 1/4
- B. 1/3
- C. 1/2 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. 1

Why this answer? A coin has two equally likely outcomes, head and tail, so the probability of a head is 1/2.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — Mathematics: probability recur in every sitting of this post.

Question 93 Mathematics

What is the square root of 144?

- A. 14
- B. 16
- C. 18
- D. 12 ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? 12 × 12 = 144, so the square root of 144 is 12.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — Mathematics: squares and square roots recur in every sitting of this post.

Question 94 General Knowledge

Which of the following best describes GATT (General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade)?

- A. International agreement signed in 1947 between non-communist nations with the object of encouraging international trade unobstructed by tariff barriers
- B. Agreement which seeks to achieve its aim by arranging and encouraging

nning with trade concessions

- C. Both option A and B ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. None

Why this answer? Since both A and B are correct descriptions of GATT, “Both option A and B” is the correct answer: GATT was signed in Geneva in 1947 to promote international trade by reducing tariff barriers, working through rounds of negotiated bargaining and trade concessions.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2011 Q26 (GATT, signed 1947, promoting trade by reducing tariff barriers through negotiated concessions)

Question 95 General Knowledge

What is Diego Garcia?

- A. Disputed island between Japan and Russia in the Pacific Ocean
- B. Airline of Singapore
- C. French surface-to-surface missile
- D. United States military base in the Indian Ocean ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Diego Garcia is an island in the Indian Ocean (British Indian Ocean Territory) that hosts a major United States military base.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2011 Q31 (Diego Garcia hosts a United States military base in the Indian Ocean)

Question 96 General Knowledge

What is the capital of France?

- A. Paris ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Madrid
- C. London

Why this answer? Paris is the capital of France.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — General Knowledge: world capitals recur in every sitting of this post.

Question 97 General Knowledge

Which is the largest ocean in the world?

- A. Arctic
- B. Pacific ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Atlantic
- D. Indian

Why this answer? The Pacific Ocean is the largest ocean in the world.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — General Knowledge: world geography recur in every sitting of this post.

Question 98 Pakistan Affairs

In which year did Pakistan join the South-East Asia Treaty Organisation (SEATO)?

- A. 1954 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. 1955
- C. 1956
- D. 1957

Why this answer? Pakistan joined SEATO in 1954: the Manila Pact that created SEATO was signed on 8 September 1954, and Pakistan was a founding member.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: fpsc-assistant-statistics-2011 Q79 (Pakistan joined SEATO in 1954)

99 Pakistan Affairs

Pakistan is a member of which international organisation founded in 1945?

- A. European Union
- B. SAARC
- C. United Nations ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. ASEAN

Why this answer? The United Nations was founded in 1945, and Pakistan is a member.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — Pakistan Affairs: Pakistan's membership of international organisations recur in every sitting of this post.

Question 100 Pakistan Affairs

Which country is Pakistan's neighbour to the west?

- A. Nepal
- B. India
- C. China
- D. Afghanistan ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Afghanistan lies to the west of Pakistan (Iran is to the south-west).

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — Pakistan Affairs: Pakistan's neighbours recur in every sitting of this post.

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