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Question 1 Pakistan Studies

The Siachen glacier is claimed by which two countries, both of which keep troops stationed there?

- A. India and China
- B. China and Pakistan
- C. Pakistan and India ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. None of these

Why this answer? Both Pakistan and India claim the Siachen glacier, and both have

ned there.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q25 (verified item — correct answer: Pakistan and India).

Question 2 Pakistan Studies

In which city of Sindh is PAF Base Shahbaz located?

- A. Jacobabad ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Quetta
- C. Sibi
- D. Makran

Why this answer? PAF Base Shahbaz is at Jacobabad in Sindh.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q26 (verified item — correct answer: Jacobabad).

Question 3 Pakistan Studies

Which neighbour of Pakistan has no sea coast at all?

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

Why this answer? Afghanistan is landlocked, with no sea coast, so it is the answer.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q30 (verified item — correct answer: Afghanistan).

Question 4 Pakistan Studies

In which year did the British Government confer a knighthood (KCSI) on Sir Syed Ahmad

- A. 1885
- B. 1887
- C. 1888 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. 1889

Why this answer? Sir Syed was made a Knight Commander of the Order of the Star of India (KCSI) in 1888.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q38 (verified item — correct answer: 1888).

Question 5 Pakistan Studies

Who wrote the 1860 pamphlet The Loyal Mohammedans of India, defending Indian Muslims after the 1857 uprising?

- A. Altaf Hussain Hali
- B. Chaudhry Rehmat Ali
- C. Sir Syed Ahmad Khan ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Abul Kalam Azad

Why this answer? Sir Syed wrote "The Loyal Mohammedans of India" in 1860, defending Indian Muslims after the 1857 uprising.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q39 (verified item — correct answer: Sir Syed Ahmad Khan).

Question 6 Pakistan Studies

In which year did Sir Syed found the Madrasatul Uloom (M.A.O. High School) at Aligarh?

- A. 1871
- B. 1873

- D. 1875 ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Sir Syed founded the Madrasatul Uloom (M.A.O. High School) at Aligarh on 24 May 1875; it became M.A.O. College in 1877.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q40 (verified item — correct answer: 1875).

Question 7 Pakistan Studies

India's Baglihar hydroelectric dam is built on which river of Jammu and Kashmir?

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

Why this answer? The Baglihar hydroelectric dam is built on the Chenab river in Jammu and Kashmir.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q45 (verified item — correct answer: Chenab).

Question 8 Pakistan Studies

Who supported the Lahore Resolution of 1940 from the North-West Frontier Province?

- A. Sardar Abdur Rab Nishtar
- B. Both
- C. Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan
- D. Sardar Aurangzeb Khan ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Sardar Aurangzeb Khan, the NWFP leader, supported the Lahore Resolution of 1940 from the North-West Frontier Province.

ed [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q48 (verified item — correct answer: Sardar Aurangzeb Khan).

Question 9 Pakistan Studies

Qazi Muhammad Isa, who supported the Lahore Resolution, belonged to which province?

- A. NWFP
- B. Balochistan ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Punjab
- D. Sindh

Why this answer? Qazi Muhammad Isa was the Muslim League leader from Balochistan who supported the Lahore Resolution.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q49 (verified item — correct answer: Balochistan).

Question 10 Pakistan Studies

Which Sindhi leader supported the Pakistan Resolution from Sindh?

- A. G.M. Syed
- B. Sir Abdullah Haroon ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Ayub Khuhro
- D. Pir Ilahi Bux

Why this answer? Sir Abdullah Haroon was the Sindhi leader who supported the Lahore Resolution from Sindh.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q50 (verified item — correct answer: Sir Abdullah Haroon).

11 Pakistan Studies

Maulana Zafar Ali Khan, the Punjabi journalist and poet, supported the Lahore Resolution from which province?

- A. Sindh
- B. NWFP
- C. Punjab ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Bengal

Why this answer? Maulana Zafar Ali Khan, the Punjabi journalist and poet, supported the Lahore Resolution from Punjab.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q51 (verified item — correct answer: Punjab).

Question 12 Pakistan Studies

Which party of the Ulema did Allama Shabbir Ahmad Usmani form in 1945 after breaking from the Jamiat Ulema-e-Hind?

- A. Jamiat Ulema-e-Pakistan
- B. Jamiat Ulema-e-Islam ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Jamiat Ulema-e-Musalman
- D. Jamiat Ulema-e-Hind

Why this answer? Allama Shabbir Ahmad Usmani founded the Jamiat Ulema-e-Islam in 1945, breaking from the Congress-allied Jamiat Ulema-e-Hind.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q52 (verified item — correct answer: Jamiat Ulema-e-Islam).

Question 13 Pakistan Studies

Quaid-e-Azam proposed that three Law Lords from the United Kingdom be appointed to

to delimit the Punjab and Bengal boundaries?

- A. Boundary Commission ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Communal Award
- C. August Offer
- D. None of the above

Why this answer? The Quaid first favoured UN nominees for the Boundary Commission, then proposed three Law Lords from the UK as impartial members to delimit the Punjab and Bengal boundaries.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q53 (verified item — correct answer: Boundary Commission).

Question 14 Pakistan Studies

The Chashma Nuclear Power Plant-1, built with Chinese help, is rated at how many megawatts?

- A. 500 MW
- B. 150 MW
- C. 200 MW
- D. 325 MW ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? CHASNUPP-1, built with Chinese assistance at Chashma, is rated at 325 MW gross (300 MW net).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q66 (verified item — correct answer: 325 MW).

Question 15 Pakistan Studies

How many Kashmiri pro-freedom organisations were united into the All Parties Hurriyat Conference at its founding?

parties ✓ **Predicted answer**

- B. 8 parties
- C. 30 parties
- D. 25 parties

Why this answer? The APHC was formed on 9 March 1993 when Mirwaiz Umar Farooq united 23 Kashmiri pro-freedom organisations into one platform; that 23 is the founding figure in the standard accounts. (Some lists count 26 original constituent parties in total; the 23 is the number united at the founding conference.)

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q76 (verified item — correct answer: 23 parties).

Question 16 Pakistan Studies

At independence, Muslims formed about what share of the population of the princely state of Jammu and Kashmir?

- A. 85%
- B. 90%
- C. 80% ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. 95%

Why this answer? At independence, Muslims were about 77–80% of the population of the princely state of Jammu and Kashmir (1941 census), so approximately 80% is the correct figure.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q77 (verified item — correct answer: 80%).

Question 17 Pakistan Studies

Who became Chief Minister of Indian-Occupied Kashmir on 5 January 2009, after Governor's rule?

- B. Ghulam Nabi Azad
- C. Farooq Abdullah
- D. Omar Abdullah ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Ghulam Nabi Azad resigned in July 2008, Governor's rule followed, and Omar Abdullah took office as Chief Minister on 5 January 2009, so he is the Chief Minister of the 2008–2009 period.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q78 (verified item — correct answer: Omar Abdullah).

Question 18 Pakistan Studies

In which year were the first general elections held in Jammu and Kashmir?

- A. 1957
- B. 1951 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. 1959
- D. 1955

Why this answer? The first general elections in Jammu and Kashmir were the Constituent Assembly elections of 1951.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q79 (verified item — correct answer: 1951).

Question 19 Pakistan Studies

In which month and year was the All Parties Hurriyat Conference formed?

- A. April 1990
- B. March 1997
- C. March / April 1993 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. March 1996

swer? The APHC was formed on 9 March 1993, so March/April 1993 is the correct window.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q80 (verified item — correct answer: March / April 1993).

Question 20 Pakistan Studies

After the 2003 split in the Hurriyat Conference, who led the larger Hurriyat (G) faction as its chairman?

- A. Yasin Malik
- B. Mirwaiz Umar Farooq
- C. Syed Ali Geelani ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Abdul Ghani Bhat

Why this answer? PICKED: Geelani chaired the APHC and, after the 2003 split, led the larger Hurriyat (G) faction as its chairman through the exam period; it is also the printed key.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q81 (verified item — correct answer: Syed Ali Geelani).

Question 21 Pakistan Studies

On which date is Kashmir Black Day observed every year, marking the landing of Indian troops in Srinagar in 1947?

- A. 5th January
- B. 27th October ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. 5th February
- D. 15th August

Why this answer? Kashmir Black Day is observed every year on 27 October, the day Indian troops landed in Srinagar in 1947.

ed [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q82 (verified item — correct answer: 27th October).

Question 22 Pakistan Studies

On which date does Pakistan observe Kashmir Solidarity Day every year?

- A. 25th January
- B. 5th February ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. 28th May
- D. 15th February

Why this answer? Kashmir Solidarity Day is observed in Pakistan every year on 5 February.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q83 (verified item — correct answer: 5th February).

Question 23 Pakistan Studies

In which year was Quaid-e-Azam Muhammad Ali Jinnah born?

- A. 1877
- B. 1875
- C. 1878
- D. 1876 ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Quaid-e-Azam Muhammad Ali Jinnah was born on 25 December 1876 in Karachi.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — Pakistan Studies: the life and dates of the Quaid-e-Azam recur in every sitting of this post.

24 English

Which word is the opposite of SUPERFICIAL when it describes someone's shallow knowledge of a subject?

- A. Profound ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Wide
- C. Excessive
- D. Sufficient

Why this answer? Profound means deep and thorough, the direct opposite of superficial (shallow) knowledge.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q1 (verified item — correct answer: Profound).

Question 25 English

A writer whose style uses far more words than needed is verbose. Which word means the opposite of that wordy style?

- A. Succinct ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Lucid
- C. Comical
- D. Unusual

Why this answer? Succinct means briefly and clearly expressed, the direct opposite of verbose (using more words than needed).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q2 (verified item — correct answer: Succinct).

Question 26 English

His manners charmed everyone because they were polished and SMOOTH. Which word

site of SMOOTH in that sense?

- A. Hard
- B. Rough
- C. Gruff ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Tough

Why this answer? Gruff means rough and unfriendly in manner, the direct opposite of smooth (polished, charming) manners.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q3 (verified item — correct answer: Gruff).

Question 27 English

A party described as LAVISH was extravagant and free-spending. Which word is the opposite?

- A. Expensive
- B. Wasteful
- C. Frugal ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Big

Why this answer? Frugal means sparing and economical, the direct opposite of lavish (spending freely and extravagantly).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q4 (verified item — correct answer: Frugal).

Question 28 English

A reading of a poem that stays on the surface is called SUPERFICIAL. Which word is its opposite?

- A. Mystical

- C. Mysterious
- D. Profound ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Profound means deep and thorough, the direct opposite of a superficial (shallow) interpretation.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q5 (verified item — correct answer: Profound).

Question 29 English

Which verb is the opposite of COMMUNICATE when someone holds back the date of a meeting instead of passing it on?

- A. Yield
- B. Conceal
- C. Withhold ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Refrain

Why this answer? To withhold is to hold back information instead of passing it on, the direct opposite of communicating a date; it is also the printed key. (Conceal is also defensible, as the opposite of revealing, but the stem is about passing on a date, not hiding one.)

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q6 (verified item — correct answer: Withhold).

Question 30 English

A young receptionist is described as COMELY, meaning pleasant-looking. Which word is its opposite?

- A. Inexperienced
- B. Gloomy

ttractive ✓ **Predicted answer**

- D. Depressed

Why this answer? Unattractive means not pleasing in appearance, the direct opposite of comely (pleasant-looking).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q7 (verified item — correct answer: Unattractive).

Question 31 English

A neighbour everyone avoids is called VULPINE, fox-like in character. Which word means the same?

- A. Indolent
- B. Miserly
- C. Haughty
- D. Crafty ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Vulpine means fox-like, and the fox is the traditional symbol of cunning, so crafty (cunning and deceitful) is the synonym.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q8 (verified item — correct answer: Crafty).

Question 32 English

A prisoner's attempt to escape failed to produce its result and is called ABORTIVE. Which word means the same?

- A. Courageous
- B. Futile ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Illegal
- D. Furtive

swer? Abortive means failing to produce the intended result, so futile (useless, unsuccessful) is the synonym.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q9 (verified item — correct answer: Futile).

Question 33 English

A friend you can trust and rely on is called RELIABLE. Which word means the same?

- A. Helpful
- B. Dependable ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Honest
- D. True

Why this answer? Dependable means worthy of trust and reliance, the exact synonym of reliable.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q10 (verified item — correct answer: Dependable).

Question 34 English

A dancer's movements are described as NIMBLE, quick and light. Which phrase means the same?

- A. Subtle
- B. Quick / Agile ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Clear
- D. Lively

Why this answer? Nimble means quick and light in movement, so quick/agile is the synonym.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-

fied item — correct answer: Quick / Agile).

Question 35 English

Wisdom is said to be lost in a WELTER of knowledge, a disorderly mass. Which word means the same as WELTER?

- A. Height
- B. Clarity
- C. Confusion ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Sacrifice

Why this answer? A welter is a confused, disorderly mass, so confusion is the synonym.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q12 (verified item — correct answer: Confusion).

Question 36 English

A story opens in an EERIE setting, strange and frightening. Which phrase means the same?

- A. Strange / Spooky ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Dangerous
- C. Thrilling
- D. Wonderful

Why this answer? Eerie means strange and frightening in a mysterious way, so strange/spooky is the synonym.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q13 (verified item — correct answer: Strange / Spooky).

37 English

War is described as the INEVITABLE way to settle a dispute, certain to happen. Which word means the same?

- A. Indefinite
- B. Imminent
- C. Improbable
- D. Unavoidable ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Inevitable means certain to happen and impossible to avoid, so unavoidable is the synonym.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q14 (verified item — correct answer: Unavoidable).

Question 38 English

Food that has been spoiled by contact with something harmful is TAINTED. Which word means the same?

- A. Rotten
- B. Adulterated
- C. Contaminated ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Noxious

Why this answer? Tainted means spoiled by contact with something harmful, so contaminated is the exact synonym.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q15 (verified item — correct answer: Contaminated).

Question 39 English

Remarks that joke about serious things are called FACETIOUS. Which phrase means the

- A. Flippantly humorous ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Amusing
- C. Critical
- D. Casual

Why this answer? Facetious means treating serious issues with deliberately inappropriate humour, so flippantly humorous is the exact synonym.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q16 (verified item — correct answer: Flippantly humorous).

Question 40 English

An uncle who felt distressed and embarrassed by a failure is described as CHAGRINED. Which phrase means the same?

- A. Frustrated
- B. Surprised
- C. Tired
- D. Annoyed / Mortified ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Chagrined means feeling distressed or embarrassed at a failure or disappointment, so annoyed/mortified is the synonym.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q17 (verified item — correct answer: Annoyed / Mortified).

Question 41 English

In which of Shakespeare's tragedies do the characters Banquo and his son Fleance appear?

- A. Macbeth ✓ **Predicted answer**

- C. Hamlet
- D. Othello

Why this answer? Banquo is Macbeth's fellow general, murdered on Macbeth's orders, and Fleance is Banquo's son who escapes.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q96 (verified item — correct answer: Macbeth).

Question 42 Geography

Which of these Florida resorts is on the Atlantic coast rather than the Gulf-side Emerald Coast?

- A. Pensacola Beach
- B. Fort Walton Beach
- C. Daytona Beach ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Panama City Beach

Why this answer? Daytona Beach is on Florida's Atlantic coast, not the Gulf-side Emerald Coast.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q31 (verified item — correct answer: Daytona Beach).

Question 43 Geography

The Sunshine Coast, north of Brisbane, is in which Australian state?

- A. Queensland ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Western Australia
- C. New South Wales
- D. South Australia

swer? The Sunshine Coast is the coastal region north of Brisbane in Queensland.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q32 (verified item — correct answer: Queensland).

Question 44 Geography

What name is shared by the historic coast of North Africa and a historic district on San Francisco Bay?

- A. Golden Coast
- B. Tripoli Coast
- C. Barbary Coast ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Buccaneer Coast

Why this answer? The Barbary Coast is the historic name of the North African coast, and the Barbary Coast was also the historic red-light district on San Francisco Bay.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q33 (verified item — correct answer: Barbary Coast).

Question 45 Geography

Which city, at the meeting of the Blue and White Nile, is the capital of Sudan?

- A. Harare
- B. Kinshasa
- C. Khartoum ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Banjul

Why this answer? Khartoum, at the meeting of the Blue and White Nile, is the capital of Sudan.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-

fied item — correct answer: Khartoum).

Question 46 Geography

Which currency is used in Haiti?

- A. Dollar
- B. Gourde ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Peso
- D. Pound

Why this answer? The Haitian gourde is the currency of Haiti.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q44 (verified item — correct answer: Gourde).

Question 47 Geography

The Mosquito Coast, the Caribbean coastal region of Nicaragua and Honduras, lies in which part of the world?

- A. Central America ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. East Africa
- C. Melanesia
- D. Australia

Why this answer? The Mosquito Coast is the Caribbean coastal region of Nicaragua and Honduras in Central America.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q46 (verified item — correct answer: Central America).

Question 48 Geography

Which of these four cities keeps a different clock time from the other three, being on

ime (UTC+3)?

- A. London (UK)
- B. Lisbon (Portugal)
- C. Addis Ababa (Ethiopia) ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Accra (Ghana)

Why this answer? Addis Ababa is on East Africa Time (UTC+3), three hours ahead of the other three.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q58 (verified item — correct answer: Addis Ababa (Ethiopia)).

Question 49 Geography

Mount Everest, the world's highest peak, stands in which country?

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

Why this answer? Mount Everest stands on the Nepal–China border and its summit is in Nepal; it is the highest peak in Nepal and in the world.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q84 (verified item — correct answer: Nepal).

Question 50 Geography

The Dhaulagiri massif (8,167 m) in north-central Nepal belongs to which mountain range?

- A. Himalayas ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Karakoram Range

- D. Hindu Kush

Why this answer? Dhaulagiri (8,167 m) is a massif of the Himalayas in north-central Nepal.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q85 (verified item — correct answer: Himalayas).

Question 51 Geography

Which station, with 44 platforms, is the world's largest railway station by platforms and area?

- A. Lahore Railway Station
- B. Grand Central Terminal, New York ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Trans-Siberian Railway Station
- D. Beijing Railway Station

Why this answer? Grand Central Terminal has 44 platforms, the most of any railway station in the world, and is the largest by area.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q86 (verified item — correct answer: Grand Central Terminal, New York).

Question 52 Geography

The world's largest railway station, Grand Central Terminal, is located in which country?

- A. Pakistan
- B. USA (New York) ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Russia
- D. UK

Why this answer? The world's largest railway station, Grand Central Terminal, is in New

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q87 (verified item — correct answer: USA (New York)).

Question 53 Geography

Which of these is the smallest sea, at about 377,000 square kilometres?

- A. Red Sea
- B. North Sea
- C. Mediterranean Sea
- D. Baltic Sea ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? The Baltic Sea, at about 377,000 sq km, is the smallest sea among the options and is commonly cited as the world's smallest sea.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q88 (verified item — correct answer: Baltic Sea).

Question 54 Geography

Young fold mountains such as the Himalayas are formed by what process?

- A. Old erosion
- B. Volcanic lava
- C. Young tectonic activity ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Glaciation

Why this answer? Fold mountains (young mountains like the Himalayas) are formed by recent tectonic compression, when plates collide and the crust folds upward.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q89 (verified item — correct answer: Young tectonic activity).

55 Geography

The Trucial Coast was the historical name of the sheikhdoms that became which modern state in 1971?

- A. Papua New Guinea
- B. United Arab Emirates ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Tanzania
- D. Belize

Why this answer? The Trucial Coast was the historic name of the sheikhdoms on the south-eastern Persian Gulf coast that became the United Arab Emirates in 1971.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q91 (verified item — correct answer: United Arab Emirates).

Question 56 Geography

Namibia, along whose coast lies the Skeleton Coast, was originally colonised by which European country?

- A. Portugal
- B. Belgium
- C. Germany ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. United Kingdom

Why this answer? Namibia was German South West Africa, a German colony from 1884 until the First World War.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q92 (verified item — correct answer: Germany).

Question 57 Geography

What is the capital of Australia?

- B. Melbourne
- C. Perth
- D. Canberra ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Canberra is the capital of Australia; Sydney and Melbourne are larger cities but not the capital.

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

Question 58 General Knowledge

Paavo Lipponen served as Prime Minister of which country from 1995 to 2003?

- A. Prime Minister of Sweden
- B. Prime Minister of Finland ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Prime Minister of Estonia
- D. Prime Minister of Latvia

Why this answer? Paavo Lipponen was Prime Minister of Finland from 1995 to 2003.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q27 (verified item — correct answer: Prime Minister of Finland).

Question 59 General Knowledge

What is the highest military award of Iraq, the Order of the Two Rivers?

- A. Iron Cross
- B. Australian Active Service Medal
- C. Order of Al Rafidhain ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. War Cross with Sword

Why this answer? The Order of Al Rafidhain (Order of the Two Rivers) is Iraq's highest

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q28 (verified item — correct answer: Order of Al Rafidhain).

Question 60 General Knowledge

Leszek Miller was Prime Minister of which country from 2001 to 2004?

- A. Prime Minister of Poland ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Prime Minister of Slovakia
- C. Prime Minister of Czech Republic
- D. Prime Minister of Hungary

Why this answer? Leszek Miller was Prime Minister of Poland from 2001 to 2004.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q56 (verified item — correct answer: Prime Minister of Poland).

Question 61 General Knowledge

On which date does the United States observe its Independence Day every year?

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

Why this answer? The Declaration of Independence was adopted on 4 July 1776, and the day is celebrated every year on 4 July.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q57 (verified item — correct answer: July 4).

62 General Knowledge

Who wrote: Do not judge a man by his opinions, but by what his opinions have made of him?

- A. Benjamin Franklin
- B. General Douglas MacArthur
- C. Abraham Lincoln
- D. Georg Christoph Lichtenberg ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? The German scientist and aphorist Georg Christoph Lichtenberg wrote: "Do not judge a man by his opinions, but by what his opinions have made of him."

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q67 (verified item — correct answer: Georg Christoph Lichtenberg).

Question 63 General Knowledge

Three Grand Slams are played on hard courts or clay. Which one is played on natural grass?

- A. Wimbledon ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. US Open
- C. Australian Open
- D. French Open

Why this answer? Wimbledon is played on natural grass courts, the only Grand Slam on grass.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q68 (verified item — correct answer: Wimbledon).

Question 64 General Knowledge

Which internationally known psychic claimed his powers began after he fell from a

41 and suffered a head injury?

- A. Jean Shepard
- B. Peter Hurkos ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Amelia Tibbs
- D. The Great Kreskin

Why this answer? The Dutch psychic Peter Hurkos claimed his psychic powers began after he fell from a ladder in 1941 and suffered a head injury.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q71 (verified item — correct answer: Peter Hurkos).

Question 65 General Knowledge

In poker, which hand is known as the Dead Man's Hand?

- A. A Flush
- B. A pair of Aces and Eights ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. A pair of 2s and 3s
- D. Four Aces

Why this answer? The Dead Man's Hand is a pair of aces and a pair of eights, the hand Wild Bill Hickok was said to hold when he was shot dead in 1876.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q72 (verified item — correct answer: A pair of Aces and Eights).

Question 66 General Knowledge

Fred Trump made his money in which line of business?

- A. Real Estate ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Airline Executive
- C. Gambling

Why this answer? Fred Trump was a New York real-estate developer who built housing in Brooklyn and Queens.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q73 (verified item — correct answer: Real Estate).

Question 67 General Knowledge

In French cuisine, what is Bearnaise?

- A. A method of sautéing vegetables
- B. A rich sauce made of clarified butter and egg yolks ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. A marinade of lemon juice and herbs
- D. A French pastry

Why this answer? Béarnaise is a French sauce of clarified butter and egg yolks flavoured with tarragon, served classically with steak.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q94 (verified item — correct answer: A rich sauce made of clarified butter and egg yolks).

Question 68 General Knowledge

What do the initials P.T. stand for in the showman P.T. Barnum's name?

- A. Phillip Thomas
- B. Phineas Taylor ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Peter Todd
- D. Phileas Trott

Why this answer? Phineas Taylor Barnum (1810–1891) was the American showman who founded the Barnum & Bailey Circus.

ed [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q95 (verified item — correct answer: Phineas Taylor).

Question 69 General Knowledge

Which nickname is commonly given to New Orleans?

- A. Square City
- B. Circle City
- C. Triangle City
- D. Crescent City ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? New Orleans is called the Crescent City because the Mississippi River makes a crescent-shaped bend there.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q99 (verified item — correct answer: Crescent City).

Question 70 General Knowledge

Before becoming US Secretary of Defense in 1961, Robert McNamara was president of which company?

- A. Coca-Cola
- B. World Bank
- C. Ford Motor Company ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. General Motors

Why this answer? McNamara was president of the Ford Motor Company in late 1960, just before President Kennedy named him Secretary of Defense in 1961.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q100 (verified item — correct answer: Ford Motor Company).

71 Current Affairs

Which of these countries has never been a member of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization?

- A. Russia
- B. Ukraine ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Kazakhstan
- D. Uzbekistan

Why this answer? Ukraine has never been a member of the SCO, so this is the answer.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q23 (verified item — correct answer: Ukraine).

Question 72 Current Affairs

The 2011 Memogate controversy over an unsigned memo seeking American help concerned which country?

- A. Pakistan ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Sri Lanka
- C. China
- D. India

Why this answer? Memogate was the 2011 controversy over an unsigned memo allegedly sent by Pakistan's ambassador to the US, Husain Haqqani, seeking American help against the Pakistan Army; it is a Pakistani scandal.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q29 (verified item — correct answer: Pakistan).

Question 73 Current Affairs

Who took office as President of Russia on 7 May 2008 after winning the March election?

- B. Silvio Berlusconi
- C. Boris Yeltsin
- D. Dmitry Medvedev ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Medvedev won the March 2008 election and took office as President on 7 May 2008, so he was President for most of 2008.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q35 (verified item — correct answer: Dmitry Medvedev).

Question 74 Current Affairs

On what date did Hamas win the Palestinian legislative election and come into power?

- A. 25th January 2006 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. 15th February 2004
- C. 21st July 2004
- D. 15th March 2005

Why this answer? Hamas won the Palestinian legislative election of 25 January 2006 and formed the government.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q36 (verified item — correct answer: 25th January 2006).

Question 75 Current Affairs

On which date did the UN General Assembly adopt the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty?

- A. 24th September 1996
- B. 15th October 1996
- C. 25th November 1996
- D. 10th September 1996 ✓ **Predicted answer**

swer? The UN General Assembly adopted the CTBT on 10 September 1996.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q41 (verified item — correct answer: 10th September 1996).

Question 76 Current Affairs

On what date did Britain hand Hong Kong over to China?

- A. September 1996
- B. 1st July 1997 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. May 1995
- D. December 1998

Why this answer? Hong Kong was handed over from Britain to China at midnight on 30 June / 1 July 1997.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q42 (verified item — correct answer: 1st July 1997).

Question 77 Current Affairs

Which country was readmitted to the Commonwealth in May 2008 after suspension in November 2007?

- A. Pakistan ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Nepal
- C. Myanmar
- D. Nigeria

Why this answer? Pakistan was suspended from the Commonwealth in November 2007 after the emergency, and readmitted in May 2008.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q43 (verified item — correct answer: Pakistan).

78 Current Affairs

What does the abbreviation NPT stand for in the context of nuclear weapons?

- A. National Protection Treaty
- B. Non-Proliferation Treaty ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Nuclear Power Treaty
- D. Non-Resident Protection Treaty

Why this answer? NPT is the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons, universally shortened to the Non-Proliferation Treaty.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q63 (verified item — correct answer: Non-Proliferation Treaty).

Question 79 Current Affairs

Which treaty is described as offering a face-saving device to the five nuclear powers and the non-nuclear weapon states?

- A. NNWS
- B. NPT
- C. CTBT ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. CBM

Why this answer? The Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty is the treaty described as offering a face-saving device to the P-5 and the non-nuclear weapon states.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q64 (verified item — correct answer: CTBT).

Question 80 Science

Among non-metals, which one is a semiconductor whose conductivity rises in light, rather than a poor conductor?

- B. Sulphur
- C. Bromine
- D. Phosphorus

Why this answer? Selenium is a semiconductor and photoconductor: its conductivity rises in light, so it is the non-metal that is NOT a poor conductor.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q21 (verified item — correct answer: Selenium).

Question 81 Science

Which type of glass, containing cerium oxide, is used to cut off ultraviolet rays?

- A. Jena glass
- B. Crookes glass ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Soda glass
- D. Pyrex glass

Why this answer? Crookes glass contains cerium oxide, which absorbs ultraviolet rays, so it is the glass used to cut them off.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q22 (verified item — correct answer: Crookes glass).

Question 82 Science

By what other name is the explosive RDX, cyclotrimethylenetrinitramine, also known?

- A. Cyclonite ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Cyanohydrin
- C. Dextran
- D. Cyclohexane

swer? RDX (cyclotrimethylenetrinitramine) is also known as cyclonite, its standard alternative name.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q24 (verified item — correct answer: Cyclonite).

Question 83 Science

In a pitcher plant, which part is modified into the pitcher-shaped trap?

- A. Stem
- B. Stipule
- C. Petiole
- D. Leaf ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? In the pitcher plant the leaf blade is modified into the pitcher-shaped trap that catches insects.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q59 (verified item — correct answer: Leaf).

Question 84 Science

What is the name for the rise in pitch of sound waves as their source approaches and the fall as it recedes?

- A. Theory of Motion
- B. Static Kinesis
- C. Doppler Effect ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Ambulatory Crossover

Why this answer? The Doppler effect is the change in frequency of a wave as its source moves towards or away from the observer — higher as it approaches, lower as it recedes.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-

fied item — correct answer: Doppler Effect).

Question 85 Science

What is the standard keyhole operation for removing the gall bladder called?

- A. Endoscopic surgery
- B. Hydroscopic surgery
- C. Laparoscopic surgery ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Arthroscopic surgery

Why this answer? Laparoscopic cholecystectomy (keyhole surgery through the abdomen) is the standard minimally invasive operation for removing the gall bladder.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q74 (verified item — correct answer: Laparoscopic surgery).

Question 86 Science

What do we call a large mass of ice that has broken off a glacier and floats in the sea?

- A. A large floating mass of ice detached from a glacier in the sea ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. A coral reef
- C. A mountain of Africa
- D. A volcano

Why this answer? An iceberg is a large mass of ice that has broken off a glacier or ice shelf and floats in the sea.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q90 (verified item — correct answer: A large floating mass of ice detached from a glacier in the sea).

87 Science

What does haemoglobin in the red blood cells carry to the body's tissues?

- A. Oxygen ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Iron
- C. Copper
- D. Nitrogen

Why this answer? Haemoglobin in red blood cells binds oxygen in the lungs and carries it to the body's tissues.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q98 (verified item — correct answer: Oxygen).

Question 88 Science

Which planet is nearest to the Sun?

- A. Mercury ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Venus
- C. Earth
- D. Mars

Why this answer? Mercury is the planet nearest to the Sun, ahead of Venus, Earth and Mars.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — Science: the solar system recurs in every sitting of this post.

Question 89 Mathematics

A school's food stock feeds 400 children for 12 days. If 80 more children join, for how many days will the stock last?

- A. 6 days

- C. 10 days ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. 7 days

Why this answer? Worked: the food is 400 × 12 = 4,800 child-days; with 480 children it lasts 4,800 ÷ 480 = 10 days.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q47 (verified item — correct answer: 10 days).

Question 90 Mathematics

Two consecutive numbers add up to 55. What is the larger of the two?

- A. 28 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. 25
- C. 26
- D. 27

Why this answer? Worked: if the smaller number is x, then x + (x + 1) = 55, so 2x = 54 and x = 27; the larger is 28.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q54 (verified item — correct answer: 28).

Question 91 Mathematics

A man walks 12 km north, then 15 km east, then 15 km west, then 18 km south. How far is he from his starting point?

- A. 6 km ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. 60 km
- C. 12 km
- D. 3 km

swer? Worked: the 15 km east and 15 km west cancel each other; north 12 km minus south 18 km leaves a net 6 km south of the start.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q55 (verified item — correct answer: 6 km).

Question 92 Mathematics

If all the numbers from 501 to 700 are written out, how many times does the digit 6 appear in total?

- A. 141
- B. 139
- C. 120
- D. 140 ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Worked: hundreds place — 600–699 gives 100 sixes; tens place — 560–569 and 660–669 give 20 sixes; units place — one in each ten from 506 to 696 gives 20 sixes; total 100 + 20 + 20 = 140.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q60 (verified item — correct answer: 140).

Question 93 Mathematics

Aslam paid Rs. 300 for a pair of shoes and later sold the pair for Rs. 370. What was his profit?

- A. Rs. 80
- B. Rs. 75
- C. Rs. 20
- D. Rs. 70 ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Worked: profit = selling price − cost price = 370 − 300 = Rs. 70.

ed [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q75 (verified item — correct answer: Rs. 70).

Question 94 Mathematics

What number does the Roman numeral XLIX represent?

- A. 49 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. 119
- C. 121
- D. 99

Why this answer? Worked: XL = 40 and IX = 9, so XLIX = 40 + 9 = 49.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q93 (verified item — correct answer: 49).

Question 95 History

In which year did the French Revolution begin, marked by the storming of the Bastille on 14 July?

- A. 1770
- B. 1788
- C. 1799
- D. 1789 ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? The French Revolution began in 1789, with the storming of the Bastille on 14 July 1789.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q37 (verified item — correct answer: 1789).

96 History

The Big Five, USA, UK, France, Italy and Japan, were the great powers of which event?

- A. World War II
- B. World War I (Peace Conference / League of Nations Council) ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. UNO
- D. G-8

Why this answer? The "Big Five" were the five great powers of the 1919 Paris Peace Conference and the permanent members of the League of Nations Council.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q62 (verified item — correct answer: World War I (Peace Conference / League of Nations Council)).

Question 97 History

Which country, under Ferdinand de Lesseps, began the original construction of the Panama Canal in 1881?

- A. United States
- B. England
- C. Panama
- D. France ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? France, under Ferdinand de Lesseps, began building the Panama Canal in 1881 and abandoned the effort in 1889.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q69 (verified item — correct answer: France).

Question 98 History

Which river did Julius Caesar cross in January 49 BC, an act that began the Roman civil

- A. The Tiber
- B. The Po
- C. The Danube
- D. The Rubicon ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Caesar crossed the Rubicon in January 49 BC, an act of war against the Senate that began the Roman civil war; "crossing the Rubicon" is still the phrase for passing a point of no return.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q97 (verified item — correct answer: The Rubicon).

Question 99 Islamic Studies

Who founded the Umayyad dynasty in 661 CE?

- A. Yazid
- B. Marwan
- C. Walid I
- D. Hazrat Muawiya (R.A) ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Hazrat Muawiya ibn Abi Sufyan founded the Umayyad dynasty in 661 CE.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: FPSC-2008-DEPUTY-DIRECTOR-FIA Q61 (verified item — correct answer: Hazrat Muawiya (R.A)).

Question 100 Islamic Studies

How many pillars of Islam are there?

- A. Four
- B. Five ✓ **Predicted answer**

- D. Seven

Why this answer? The five pillars of Islam are the Shahadah, Salah, Zakat, Sawm and Hajj.

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

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