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Question 1 English

Choose the preposition that correctly completes this sentence: 'He appealed ___ the court for mercy.'

- A. To ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. About
- C. For
- D. On

Why this answer? We appeal 'to' a court for mercy; 'for' goes before the thing asked for,

ne court.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q3 (verified item; correct answer: To).

Question 2 English

At a party, one guest keeps spoiling everyone's fun and damping their enthusiasm. Which idiom describes such a person?

- A. A comfortable thing
- B. Someone presence damps enthusiasm ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. An unpleasant situation
- D. An unwelcome guest

Why this answer? A 'wet blanket' is a person whose presence damps others' enthusiasm and spoils the mood.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q9 (verified item; correct answer: Someone presence damps enthusiasm).

Question 3 English

Choose the verb that correctly completes this sentence: 'He ___ his shoes till they shone.'

- A. Brushed
- B. Scrubbed
- C. Polished ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Shined

Why this answer? 'Polished' is the idiomatic verb for making shoes shine; brushed and scrubbed mean cleaning, and 'shined' is not the idiomatic verb here.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-

LANNING-BS17 Q19 (verified item; correct answer: Polished).

Question 4 English

Which word means the same as 'venerate'?

- A. Witty
- B. Disgrace
- C. Humiliate
- D. Respect ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? 'Venerate' means to respect deeply, to revere; disgrace and humiliate are opposites.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q21 (verified item; correct answer: Respect).

Question 5 English

Which of these words is nearest in meaning to 'condone'?

- A. Over look ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. White balance
- C. Disgusting
- D. None of the above

Why this answer? To condone is to overlook an offence, to forgive it without punishment.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q26 (verified item; correct answer: Over look).

Question 6 English

If a speaker 'hits the nail on the head', what has the speaker just done?

- A. To act just at the right moment

say just the right thing ✓ **Predicted answer**

- C. To speak hard words
- D. To antagonise

Why this answer? To hit the nail on the head means to say exactly the right thing.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q43 (verified item; correct answer: To say just the right thing).

Question 7 English

Which word is the opposite of 'stringent'?

- A. Disgrace
- B. Counterfeit
- C. Scrupulous
- D. Lenient ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? 'Stringent' means strict, so its antonym is 'lenient'.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q51 (verified item; correct answer: Lenient).

Question 8 English

Select the correctly spelt word from the four options.

- A. Continous
- B. Continose
- C. Continuous ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. None of these

Why this answer? 'Continuous' is the correct spelling; 'continous' misses a 'u' and 'continose' is a misspelling.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-

LANNING-BS17 Q55 (verified item; correct answer: Continuous).

Question 9 English

Which word is the opposite in meaning to 'obsolete'?

- A. Contemporary ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Obligatory
- C. Meticulous
- D. Obsession

Why this answer? 'Obsolete' means out of date, so its antonym is 'contemporary', meaning current.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q71 (verified item; correct answer: Contemporary).

Question 10 English

A manager gives an employee 'a slap on the wrist' for a small mistake. What kind of punishment is that?

- A. Hard Punishment
- B. Warning or Small Punishment ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Beating Someone
- D. Make someone sad

Why this answer? A slap on the wrist means a warning or a small punishment, not a hard punishment or a beating.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q77 (verified item; correct answer: Warning or Small Punishment).

11 English

Choose the preposition that correctly completes this sentence: 'We see ___ a box at the opera.'

- A. Into
- B. On
- C. In ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Under

Why this answer? At the opera one sits 'in' a box.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q84 (verified item; correct answer: In).

Question 12 English

The phrase 'the Alpha and Omega' is used to mean what?

- A. A Greek song
- B. An Shakespeare play
- C. A Swiss Watch
- D. Beginning and end ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? 'The Alpha and Omega' means the beginning and the end.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q86 (verified item; correct answer: Beginning and end).

Question 13 English

Choose the correct passive form of this sentence: 'Has he taken the examination?'

- A. Has the examination been taken by him? ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Have the examination been taken by him.
- C. Has the examination been taken by me?

ne of these

Why this answer? The subject 'examination' is singular, so 'has' is needed, and 'he' becomes 'by him', not 'by me'.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q89 (verified item; correct answer: Has the examination been taken by him?).

Question 14 English

In the sentence 'She passed by the error without noticing it', what does 'passed by' mean?

- A. Ignore
- B. Over look ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Under look
- D. Think by

Why this answer? To pass by means to overlook, to go past without noticing.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q90 (verified item; correct answer: Over look).

Question 15 English

Which of these words is the synonym of 'brave'?

- A. Cowardly
- B. Fearful
- C. Courageous ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Weak

Why this answer? 'Courageous' means brave; 'cowardly' and 'weak' are opposites, and 'fearful' means afraid.

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

Question 16 General Knowledge

What do people mainly do when they laugh?

- A. To appreciate something
- B. To welcome somebody
- C. To mock at someone
- D. To express our feelings ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? We laugh to express feelings such as joy or amusement; laughing at someone is mocking, not the general reason we laugh.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q6 (verified item; correct answer: To express our feelings).

Question 17 General Knowledge

Time magazine named which personality its Person of the Century for the 20th century?

- A. Einstein ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Newton
- C. Tagore
- D. Abdul Salam

Why this answer? Albert Einstein was named Time's Person of the Century for the 20th century.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q17 (verified item; correct answer: Einstein).

18 General Knowledge

Shahid Afridi bowled which style for Pakistan?

- A. Off Spinner
- B. Leg Spinner ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Fast Bowler
- D. None of the above

Why this answer? Shahid Afridi was a leg spinner.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q28 (verified item; correct answer: Leg Spinner).

Question 19 General Knowledge

In the end, who bears the burden of a sales tax?

- A. Sailors
- B. Objectives
- C. Customers ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. None of these

Why this answer? Sales tax is ultimately borne by the customers, the final consumers.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q32 (verified item; correct answer: Customers).

Question 20 General Knowledge

Kabaddi is the traditional game of which province?

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

swer? Kabaddi is the traditional game of Punjab.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q34 (verified item; correct answer: Punjab).

Question 21 General Knowledge

Who first measured the size of the earth?

- A. Eratosthenes ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Newton
- C. Galileo
- D. Copernicus

Why this answer? Eratosthenes first measured the size (circumference) of the earth.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q46 (verified item; correct answer: Eratosthenes).

Question 22 General Knowledge

In which year was the Eiffel Tower in Paris built?

- A. 1890
- B. 1889 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. 1891
- D. 1894

Why this answer? The Eiffel Tower was completed in 1889 for the Paris World's Fair.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q50 (verified item; correct answer: 1889).

Question 23 General Knowledge

The Olympic flame was first lit at the Amsterdam stadium in which year?

- B. 1938
- C. 1928 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. 1948

Why this answer? The Olympic flame was first lit at the Amsterdam stadium in 1928.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q54 (verified item; correct answer: 1928).

Question 24 General Knowledge

Which country finished runner-up in the 1975 Hockey World Cup?

- A. England
- B. India
- C. Canada
- D. Pakistan ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Pakistan lost the 1975 Hockey World Cup final to India, so Pakistan was the runner-up.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q59 (verified item; correct answer: Pakistan).

Question 25 General Knowledge

The female of which snake builds a nest, unlike all other snakes?

- A. The female King Cobra ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. The female Viper
- C. The female Anaconda
- D. The female Mamba

Why this answer? The female king cobra is the only snake that builds a nest.

ed [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q60 (verified item; correct answer: The female King Cobra).

Question 26 General Knowledge

Which sport was added for the first time at the Tokyo 2020 Olympics?

- A. Curling
- B. Table Tennis mixed double ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Fencing
- D. Powerlifting

Why this answer? Table tennis mixed doubles debuted at the Tokyo 2020 Olympics.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q61 (verified item; correct answer: Table Tennis mixed double).

Question 27 General Knowledge

Of all the world's news agencies, which one began operating first?

- A. WAFA
- B. BBC
- C. AFP ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. CNN

Why this answer? AFP (Agence France-Presse), founded in 1835, is the oldest news agency in the world.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q62 (verified item; correct answer: AFP).

28 General Knowledge

Goods bought on credit are recorded by the buyer in which document?

- A. Credit Note
- B. Sale Invoice
- C. Supplier's Invoice
- D. Purchase Invoice ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? A purchase invoice is the document the firm uses to record a credit purchase; a sale invoice records a sale, and a credit note records goods returned.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q83 (verified item; correct answer: Purchase Invoice).

Question 29 General Knowledge

Which is the largest planet in our solar system?

- A. Jupiter ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Mars
- C. Saturn
- D. Venus

Why this answer? Jupiter is the largest planet in our solar system, much bigger than Saturn, Mars or Venus.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — General Knowledge: the solar system and planets recur in every sitting of this post.

Question 30 Islamiat

The Holy Quran says 'Qul' (Say) again and again. How many times in total?

- A. 432
- B. 332 ✓ **Predicted answer**

- D. 632

Why this answer? The word 'Qul' (Say) occurs 332 times in the Holy Quran.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q11 (verified item; correct answer: 332).

Question 31 Islamiat

Islam's very first flag, the Liwa, was raised in which colour?

- A. Black
- B. White &Black
- C. White ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Green

Why this answer? The first flag in the history of Islam, the Liwa, was white; the black standard (Raya) came later.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q20 (verified item; correct answer: White).

Question 32 Islamiat

Hazrat Bilal (R.A.) accepted Islam while he belonged to which master?

- A. Abu Jahal
- B. Oqbah bin Mueet
- C. Abu Sufiyan
- D. Ummaiya bin Khalf ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Ummaiya bin Khalf was the master of Hazrat Bilal when he embraced Islam.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-

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LANNING-BS17 Q24 (verified item; correct answer: Ummaiya bin Khalf).

Question 33 Islamiat

At which place did the splitting of the moon occur?

- A. Mina ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Arafat
- C. Muzdalifa
- D. Ka'aba

Why this answer? The miracle of the splitting of the moon is recorded as occurring at Mina.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q27 (verified item; correct answer: Mina).

Question 34 Islamiat

Hazrat Baba Farid Ganj Shakar's death is dated to which year?

- A. 1274
- B. 1280 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. 1285
- D. 1290

Why this answer? Baba Farid's death is given as 7 May 1280 in the 1188-1280 dating followed by this paper.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q29 (verified item; correct answer: 1280).

Question 35 Islamiat

Who is recorded as the foster sister of the Holy Prophet (S.A.W.)?

rat Marina

- B. Hazrat Asma
- C. Hazrat Shima ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Hazrat Amarah

Why this answer? Hazrat Shima (Shaima) was the foster sister of the Holy Prophet.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q31 (verified item; correct answer: Hazrat Shima).

Question 36 Islamiat

Which Surah contains the laws about marriage?

- A. As-Sajdah
- B. Ahzab
- C. Al-Noor
- D. As-Nisa ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Surah An-Nisa gives the laws about marriage, including the verses on marriage and dower.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q33 (verified item; correct answer: As-Nisa).

Question 37 Islamiat

The Quran (9:30) reports that the Jews called one prophet the son of Allah. Which prophet?

- A. Hazrat Ozair(A.S) ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Hazrat Haroon(A.S)
- C. Hazrat Essa(A.S)
- D. Hazrat Mossa(A.S)

swer? The Quran (9:30) says the Jews called Uzair (Ezra) the son of Allah.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q49 (verified item; correct answer: Hazrat Ozair(A.S)).

Question 38 Islamiat

The Quran (16:66) praises one drink above others as pure and wholesome. Which drink is it?

- A. Water
- B. Milk ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Juice
- D. None of these

Why this answer? The Quran (16:66) presents milk as the pure and wholesome drink from cattle.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q56 (verified item; correct answer: Milk).

Question 39 Islamiat

Which prophet's nation was destroyed by a rain of stones?

- A. Hazrat Hood
- B. Hazrat Abar
- C. Hazrat Loot ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Hazrat Shoaib

Why this answer? The nation of Hazrat Loot was destroyed by a rain of stones; the nation of Hazrat Hood was destroyed by a wind.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q74 (verified item; correct answer: Hazrat Loot).

After Hazrat Khadija (R.A.), which woman embraced Islam?

- A. Ummayad Aiman(R.A)
- B. Buraida Salmi(R.A)
- C. Hazrat Safia(R.A)
- D. Lababa bint-e Haris(R.A) ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Lubaba bint al-Harith (Umm al-Fadl) is recorded as the woman who embraced Islam after Hazrat Khadija.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q78 (verified item; correct answer: Lababa bint-e Haris(R.A)).

Question 41 Urdu

'Shah Jo Risalu' — whose poetry does this famous collection hold?

- A. Shah Abdul Latif Bhatai ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Sachal Sarmast
- C. Baba Farid Ganja Shakar
- D. Peer Waris Shah

Why this answer? Shah Jo Risalu is the poetry collection of Shah Abdul Latif Bhatai.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q18 (verified item; correct answer: Shah Abdul Latif Bhatai).

Question 42 Urdu

جب کوئی شخص 'برسرخاش' ہو تو وہ کس چیز کے لیے تیار ہوتا ہے؟

A. بے سروپا

Predicted answer ✓ B. لڑائی پر آمادہ

D. خاموش تماشائی

Why this answer? 'برسرخاش' کا مطلب ہے لڑائی پر آمادہ، جنگ کے لیے تیار۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q91 (verified item; correct answer: لڑائی پر آمادہ).

Question 43 Urdu

شاعری میں 'سراج' کا لفظ کس چیز کے لیے استعمال ہوتا ہے؟

A. ناامیدی

B. دھواں

C. چراغ ✓ **Predicted answer**

D. روشنی

Why this answer? 'سراج' کا مطلب چراغ ہے۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q92 (verified item; correct answer: چراغ).

Question 44 Urdu

لفظ کی بناوٹ اور ساخت پر بحث کرنے والی قواعد کی شاخ کا نام کیا ہے؟

A. نحو

B. مرکب

C. قواعد

D. صرف ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? صرف قواعد کی وہ شاخ ہے جس میں لفظ اور اس کی ساخت پر ب

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q93 (verified item; correct answer:صرف).

Question 45 Urdu

72 نشتر کا تعلق اردو کے کس شاعر سے ہے؟

Predicted answer ✓ A. میر تقی میر

B. مرزا سودا

C. مرزا غالب

D. حیدرعلی آتش

Why this answer? اردو کے پرانے استادوں کے مطابق 72 نشتر میر تقی میر کی میراث ہیں۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q94 (verified item; correct answer: میر تقی میر).

Question 46 Urdu

مندرجہ ذیل شعر کس شاعر نے کہا ہے: 'دائم آباد رہے گی دنیا ہم نہ ہوں گے کوئی ہم سا ہوگا'؟

A. شوکت علی

Predicted answer ✓ B. ناصر کاظمی

C. فیض احمد

D. احمد فراز

Why this answer? یہ شعر ناصر کاظمی کا ہے۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q95 (verified item; correct answer: ناصر کاظمی).

47 Urdu

مجموعہ 'خوشبو' کس شاعرہ کی تخلیق ہے؟

A. ناہید بیگم

B. ادا جعفری

Predicted answer ✓ C. پروین شاکر

D. ان میں سے کوئی نہیں

Why this answer? پروین شاکر مجموعہ 'خوشبو' کی شاعرہ ہیں۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q96 (verified item; correct answer: پروین شاکر).

Question 48 Urdu

ناول 'امر بیل' کس نے لکھا؟

A. اشفاق احمد

B. عبداللہ حسین

C. شوکت صدیقی

Predicted answer ✓ D. بانو قدسیہ

Why this answer? 'امر بیل' بانو قدسیہ کی تخلیق ہے۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q97 (verified item; correct answer: بانو قدسیہ).

Question 49 Urdu

کتاب 'جیل کے دن جیل کی راتیں' کے مصنف کون ہیں؟

nswer ✓ A. البراہین جلیس

B. فیض احمد فیض

C. حبیب جالب

D. کلیم احمد

Why this answer? 'جیل کے دن جیل کی راتیں' ابراہیم جلیس کی کتاب ہے۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q98 (verified item; correct answer: البراہین جلیس).

Question 50 Urdu

افسانہ 'گڈریا' کس مصنف کی تحریر ہے؟

A. محمد سلیم

Predicted answer ✓ B. اشفاق احمد

C. بانو قدسیہ

D. شوکت صدیقی

Why this answer? اشفاق احمد نے 'گڈریا' لکھا۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q99 (verified item; correct answer: اشفاق احمد).

Question 51 Urdu

ان میں سے کون سا جملہ ضرب الامثل ہے؟

A. ترکی بہ ترکی جواب دینا

B. جوتیوں میں دال بٹانا

Predicted answer ✓ C. اندھوں میں کانا راجہ

Why this answer? 'اندھوں میں کانا راجہ' اردو کی مشہور ضرب الامثل ہے؛ باقی جملے محاورے ہیں۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q100 (verified item; correct answer: اندھوں میں کانا راجہ).

Question 52 Computer Science

Which keyboard shortcut is the standard way to undo an action?

- A. Ctrl+U
- B. Ctrl+O
- C. Ctrl+D
- D. Ctrl+Z ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Ctrl+Z is the standard undo shortcut; Ctrl+U underlines text and Ctrl+O opens a file.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q2 (verified item; correct answer: Ctrl+Z).

Question 53 Computer Science

A printer that prints with pins striking an ink ribbon is called what?

- A. Printer ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Tape
- C. Disk
- D. Bus

Why this answer? Dot-matrix is a type of printer, which prints with pins striking an ink ribbon.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-

LANNING-BS17 Q13 (verified item; correct answer: Printer).

Question 54 Computer Science

Where are deleted items kept on a Windows computer?

- A. My computer
- B. Recycle bin ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. My briefcase
- D. Window Explorer

Why this answer? Deleted items are kept in the Recycle Bin.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q39 (verified item; correct answer: Recycle bin).

Question 55 Computer Science

Which device moves the cursor on the screen?

- A. Scanner
- B. MICR
- C. Mouse ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Digital Camera

Why this answer? The cursor on the screen is moved by the mouse.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q40 (verified item; correct answer: Mouse).

Question 56 Computer Science

The processor of a computer, the CPU, belongs to which category?

- A. Software
- B. Program

mory

- D. Hardware ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? The CPU is hardware, the physical processor of the computer.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q45 (verified item; correct answer: Hardware).

Question 57 Computer Science

The address of a webpage, shown in the browser's address bar, is known as what?

- A. URL ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Directory
- C. Domain
- D. Protocol

Why this answer? A webpage address is called a URL (Uniform Resource Locator).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q73 (verified item; correct answer: URL).

Question 58 Computer Science

What is the small, very fast memory inside the CPU called?

- A. RAM
- B. Register ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Cache
- D. ROM

Why this answer? A register is the small, very fast memory inside the CPU itself.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q75 (verified item; correct answer: Register).

59 Computer Science

You are stuck in a Windows program and want help. Which key do you press?

- A. Exit
- B. Refresh
- C. Help ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Restart

Why this answer? In MS Windows, F1 is mostly used for Help.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q76 (verified item; correct answer: Help).

Question 60 Computer Science

In MS Word, which key repeats the last action?

- A. F5
- B. F8
- C. F10
- D. F4 ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? In MS Word, F4 repeats the last action.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q85 (verified item; correct answer: F4).

Question 61 Computer Science

On which menu is the Shut down option found in Windows?

- A. Start menu ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Task menu
- C. Status bar
- D. Title bar

swer? The shut down option is available on the Start menu.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q88 (verified item; correct answer: Start menu).

Question 62 Geography

Which two countries share the border where the Mintaka Pass lies?

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

Why this answer? Mintaka Pass lies on the Pakistan-China border, in the Karakoram range.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q1 (verified item; correct answer: Pakistan & China).

Question 63 Geography

The nickname 'land of fertile fields' belongs to which country?

- A. Belgium
- B. Nigeria
- C. Algeria ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Sudan

Why this answer? Algeria is known by the epithet 'land of fertile fields'.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q14 (verified item; correct answer: Algeria).

64 Geography

Of Karachi, Lahore, Multan and Larkana, which city is the oldest?

- A. Karachi
- B. Lahore
- C. Larkana
- D. Multan ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Multan is regarded as the oldest city of Pakistan.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q36 (verified item; correct answer: Multan).

Question 65 Geography

Near which beach on the Karachi coast is the KANUPP nuclear power plant situated?

- A. Buleji Beach ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Cape Monze
- C. Hub
- D. Hyderabad

Why this answer? KANUPP (Karachi Nuclear Power Plant) is located near Buleji Beach, on the Karachi coast.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q38 (verified item; correct answer: Buleji Beach).

Question 66 Geography

In which city would you find the Margalla Hills viewpoint called Daman-e-Koh?

- A. Rawalpindi
- B. Islamabad ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Kalar kahar

Why this answer? Daman-e-Koh is a viewpoint in the Margalla Hills, Islamabad.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q47 (verified item; correct answer: Islamabad).

Question 67 Geography

Sugar mills cluster around which city of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa?

- A. Textile
- B. Fiber
- C. Sugar ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Almond

Why this answer? Mardan is known for its sugar industry.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q66 (verified item; correct answer: Sugar).

Question 68 Geography

The Chinese city of Lhasa was long known by which nickname?

- A. Golden City
- B. People's City
- C. Diamond City
- D. Forbidden City ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Lhasa was popularly known as the 'Forbidden City' because it was long closed to outsiders.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q67 (verified item; correct answer: Forbidden City).

69 Geography

Davao City and its region in Mindanao, nicknamed 'Silicon Gulf', lie in which country?

- A. Philippines ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. China
- C. Thailand
- D. Australia

Why this answer? Silicon Gulf is the nickname for Davao City and region in Mindanao, Philippines.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q68 (verified item; correct answer: Philippines).

Question 70 Geography

Which city hosts the working capital of the European Union?

- A. London
- B. Brussels ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Lisbon
- D. Austria

Why this answer? The European Union's working capital is in Brussels.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q79 (verified item; correct answer: Brussels).

Question 71 Pakistan Studies

At which airport was the hijacked Ganga aircraft burnt in 1971?

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

ne of these

Why this answer? The Ganga plane was burnt at Lahore airport in 1971.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q4 (verified item; correct answer: Lahore).

Question 72 Pakistan Studies

In which year did the Ayub government pass the Political Parties Act?

- A. 1960
- B. 1963
- C. 1964
- D. 1962 ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? The Political Parties Act was passed on 16 July 1962 under Ayub Khan.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q12 (verified item; correct answer: 1962).

Question 73 Pakistan Studies

Which tree is recorded as Quaid-e-Azam's favourite?

- A. Sanober ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Chinnar
- C. Rubber
- D. Daisy Palm

Why this answer? Jinnah's favourite tree is recorded as the sanober (pine).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q16 (verified item; correct answer: Sanober).

74 Pakistan Studies

Who wrote the book 'Towards Pakistan'?

- A. Hassan Askari
- B. Waheed-uz-Zaman ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Sadique Salik
- D. None of these

Why this answer? 'Towards Pakistan' was written by Waheed-uz-Zaman.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q35 (verified item; correct answer: Waheed-uz-Zaman).

Question 75 Pakistan Studies

The Raja of Mahmudabad, a leading supporter of the Pakistan Movement, was born with which name?

- A. Ali Ameer
- B. Abdul Haq
- C. Ameer Ahmad ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Ahmad Kuli

Why this answer? The Raja of Mahmudabad was Mohammad Amir Ahmad Khan, given here as Ameer Ahmad.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q41 (verified item; correct answer: Ameer Ahmad).

Question 76 Pakistan Studies

The Taj Mahal and Lahore Fort's Sheesh Mahal belong to the building legacy of which Mughal emperor?

- A. Jahangir

- C. Hamayun
- D. Shah Jahan ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Shah Jahan left the legacy of magnificent mosques, palaces, forts and gardens, including the Taj Mahal and Lahore Fort's Sheesh Mahal.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q48 (verified item; correct answer: Shah Jahan).

Question 77 Pakistan Studies

Who paid for the Multan Metro Bus project?

- A. Punjab Govt. ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. World Bank
- C. IMF
- D. ADB

Why this answer? The Multan Metro Bus project was funded by the Punjab Government.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q53 (verified item; correct answer: Punjab Govt.).

Question 78 Pakistan Studies

Delhi fell to the Persian king Nadir Shah in which year?

- A. 1764
- B. 1739 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. 1799
- D. 1800

Why this answer? Nadir Shah conquered Delhi in 1739.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-

LANNING-BS17 Q38 (verified item; correct answer: 1739).

Question 79 Everyday Science

Through which organs do fish breathe?

- A. Fins
- B. Lungs
- C. Gills ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Tail

Why this answer? Fish breathe through gills, which take oxygen from water.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q8 (verified item; correct answer: Gills).

Question 80 Everyday Science

Silkworms feed on mulberry leaves, so a world without mulberry trees would have no what?

- A. Timber
- B. Gum
- C. Rubber
- D. Silk ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Silkworms feed on mulberry leaves, so without mulberry trees there would be no silk.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q37 (verified item; correct answer: Silk).

Question 81 Everyday Science

Why does a clear sky look blue?

- e light is scattered more than red ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Red light is scattered more than blue
- C. Ultra Violet light has been absorbed
- D. Blue light has been absorbed

Why this answer? The sky is blue because blue light is scattered more than red by air molecules.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q44 (verified item; correct answer: Blue light is scattered more than red).

Question 82 Everyday Science

A dog pants with its tongue out mainly in order to do what?

- A. This is the animal's habbit
- B. To keep cool ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. When it feels hungry or thirsty
- D. When it wants to show its anger

Why this answer? A dog hangs its tongue out to cool itself by panting.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q52 (verified item; correct answer: To keep cool).

Question 83 Everyday Science

Who first carried out experiments with gravity, long before Newton's laws?

- A. Newton
- B. Cavendish
- C. Galileo ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. None of these

swer? Galileo was the first to experiment systematically with falling bodies and gravity.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q80 (verified item; correct answer: Galileo).

Question 84 Everyday Science

Which scientist demonstrated that plants have life?

- A. Robert Koch
- B. Paul Barg
- C. George Snell
- D. J. C Bose ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Jagadish Chandra Bose demonstrated that plants have life.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q81 (verified item; correct answer: J. C Bose).

Question 85 Everyday Science

Beri-beri is caused by a diet low in which vitamin?

- A. Vitamin B ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Protein
- C. Carbohydrates
- D. Vitamin A &B

Why this answer? Beri-beri is a deficiency disease caused by low vitamin B (thiamine).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q82 (verified item; correct answer: Vitamin B).

86 Everyday Science

Count an average person's breaths over a full day: about how many are there?

- A. 10,000 times
- B. 22,000 times ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. 25,000 times
- D. 27,000 times

Why this answer? An average human breathes about 22,000 times a day.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q87 (verified item; correct answer: 22,000 times).

Question 87 Mathematics

Which of these four fractions has the greatest value?

- A. 3/4
- B. 5/6
- C. 7/8 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. 7/12

Why this answer? 7/8 is 0.875, the largest of the four fractions; 5/6 is about 0.833 and 3/4 is 0.75.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q10 (verified item; correct answer: 7/8).

Question 88 Mathematics

A number is such that 30% of it equals 40. Which of the listed numbers is closest to it?

- A. 110
- B. 120
- C. 150

Why this answer? 40 is 30% of about 133.33, so 135 is the nearest listed option.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q15 (verified item; correct answer: 135).

Question 89 Mathematics

After 3, 8, 15 and 24, the gaps grow by two each time. What is the fifth term?

- A. 35 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. 33
- C. 38
- D. 40

Why this answer? The series rises by 5, 7, 9, so the next rise is 11: 24 + 11 = 35.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q22 (verified item; correct answer: 35).

Question 90 Mathematics

Two workers, A and B, finish a job together in two hours. A alone needs five hours. About how long would B need on his own?

- A. 2 hours
- B. 3 hours ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. 4 hours
- D. 7 hours

Why this answer? Together they do 1/2 of the job per hour; A does 1/5, so B does 1/2 - 1/5 = 3/10 per hour, taking 10/3 hours, about 3 hours as listed.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q25 (verified item; correct answer: 3 hours).

91 Mathematics

You borrow 300 rupees for one month and are charged 6 rupees. What annual rate of interest is that?

- A. 20%
- B. 22%
- C. 24% ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. 26%

Why this answer? 6 rupees on 300 for one month is 2 percent a month, which is 24 percent a year.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q30 (verified item; correct answer: 24%).

Question 92 Mathematics

What annual income comes from 2,500 rupees of 8% stock?

- A. RS.100
- B. Rs.150
- C. Rs.250
- D. RS.200 ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? 8 percent of 2,500 is 200 rupees, so the annual income is 200 rupees.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q69 (verified item; correct answer: RS.200).

Question 93 Mathematics

The numbers 5, 3, 6, 2, 7, 1 follow a zig-zag pattern. What is the seventh term?

- A. 8 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. 5

- D. 9

Why this answer? The pattern uses steps -2, +3, -4, +5, -6, so the next step is +7, giving 8.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q70 (verified item; correct answer: 8).

Question 94 Mathematics

Two numbers in the ratio 3:5 become 2:3 when 2 is added to each. What is the second (larger) number?

- A. 15
- B. 10 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. 8
- D. 5

Why this answer? The numbers are 6 and 10, so the second number is 10.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q72 (verified item; correct answer: 10).

Question 95 Current Affairs

In which month and year did Iraq occupy Kuwait?

- A. July 1990
- B. June 1991
- C. September 1992
- D. August 1990 ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Iraq occupied Kuwait on 2 August 1990.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q5 (verified item; correct answer: August 1990).

96 Current Affairs

In June 2019 a failed coup in one country left its army chief dead. Which country was it?

- A. Uganda
- B. Egypt
- C. Ethiopia ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. None of these

Why this answer? Ethiopia's army chief, General Seare Mekonnen, was shot dead during the failed coup attempt of June 2019.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q42 (verified item; correct answer: Ethiopia).

Question 97 Current Affairs

The 2022 World Cup of football was staged in which country?

- A. Qatar ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Germany
- C. France
- D. Japan

Why this answer? The FIFA World Cup 2022 was played in Qatar.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q57 (verified item; correct answer: Qatar).

Question 98 Current Affairs

In 2019, who held the men's world No. 1 tennis ranking?

- A. Rafael Nadal
- B. Novak Djokovic ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Roger Federer

Why this answer? Novak Djokovic was the men's world No. 1 at the exam date (2019).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q63 (verified item; correct answer: Novak Djokovic).

Question 99 Current Affairs

May 2019 saw Asia's first legal same-sex marriage. In which country?

- A. China
- B. India
- C. Thailand
- D. Taiwan ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Taiwan, in May 2019, became the first Asian country to legalise same-sex marriage.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q64 (verified item; correct answer: Taiwan).

Question 100 Current Affairs

Who was the Prime Minister of Italy in 2019?

- A. Paolo Gentiloni
- B. Enrico Letta
- C. Giuseppe Conte ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. None of these

Why this answer? Giuseppe Conte was the Prime Minister of Italy at the exam date (2019).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2019-ASSISTANT-DIRECTOR-PLANNING-BS17 Q65 (verified item; correct answer: Giuseppe Conte).

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