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Question 1 Pakistan Studies

In which year was the partition of Bengal annulled?

- A. 1906
- B. 1911 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. 1907
- D. 1910

Why this answer? The partition of Bengal (1905) was annulled in 1911.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q48

Bengal annulled 1911).

Question 2 Pakistan Studies

Who founded the Mughal dynasty in India?

- A. Akbar
- B. Jahangir
- C. Aurangzeb
- D. Babar ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Babur founded the Mughal dynasty in India in 1526.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q49 (Babur founded the Mughal dynasty in India).

Question 3 Pakistan Studies

For how long does a person appointed as Chief Election Commissioner hold office?

- A. 7 years
- B. 3 years
- C. 5 years ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. None of these

Why this answer? Under the Constitution, the Chief Election Commissioner holds office for a term of 5 years.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q50 (Chief Election Commissioner term 5 years).

Question 4 Pakistan Studies

Who was the last Mughal emperor?

- A. Bahadur Shah ✓ **Predicted answer**

- C. Shah Jahan
- D. Humayoun

Why this answer? Bahadur Shah Zafar was the last Mughal emperor.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q51 (last Mughal emperor Bahadur Shah).

Question 5 Pakistan Studies

Who administered the oath to Quaid-e-Azam Muhammad Ali Jinnah as the first Governor-General of Pakistan?

- A. Muhammad Munir
- B. Abdur Rashid ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Liaqat Ali Khan
- D. Muhammad Shahab ud din

Why this answer? Justice Mian Abdur Rashid administered the oath to Jinnah as the first Governor-General on 14 August 1947.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q52 (Justice Abdur Rashid administered Jinnah's oath).

Question 6 Pakistan Studies

Who wrote the book 'Working with Zia'?

- A. Stanley Wolpert
- B. Ayesha Jalal
- C. Ian Talbot
- D. K.M Arif ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? 'Working with Zia' was written by Lt Gen K.M. Arif.

ed [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q53 (Working with Zia by K.M. Arif; source printed Wolpert twice, the duplicate was replaced with a fresh distractor).

Question 7 Pakistan Studies

Who founded the state of Khairpur?

- A. Mir Ali Murad Khan
- B. Mir Sher Muhammad Khan
- C. Mir Muhammad Raza Khan
- D. Mir Sohrab Khan ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Mir Sohrab Khan founded the state of Khairpur in 1783.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q54 (Mir Sohrab Khan founded Khairpur).

Question 8 Pakistan Studies

Under which Article of the Constitution does the Supreme Court exercise suo motu powers?

- A. Article 122(3)
- B. Article 84(3)
- C. Article 184(3) ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Article 78(3)

Why this answer? Article 184(3) gives the Supreme Court suo motu (original jurisdiction) powers in matters of public importance.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q55 (Article 184(3) gives the Supreme Court suo motu powers).

9 Pakistan Studies

Which institution brokered the Indus Waters Treaty between India and Pakistan?

- A. United Nations
- B. IMF
- C. World Bank ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. WHO

Why this answer? The Indus Waters Treaty (1960) was brokered by the World Bank.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q56 (Indus Waters Treaty brokered by the World Bank).

Question 10 Pakistan Studies

Which necropolis in Sindh is inscribed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site?

- A. Jamshoro
- B. Thatta
- C. Makli ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. None of these

Why this answer? The Makli Necropolis (Thatta, Sindh) is inscribed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q57 (Makli Necropolis is a UNESCO World Heritage Site).

Question 11 Pakistan Studies

In which city was Liaquat Ali Khan assassinated?

- A. Hyderabad
- B. Lahore
- C. Karachi

Rawalpindi ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Liaquat Ali Khan was assassinated in Rawalpindi on 16 October 1951 (Company Bagh).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q58 (Liaquat Ali Khan assassinated in Rawalpindi).

Question 12 Pakistan Studies

In which year was the Prevention of Electronic Crimes Act (PECA) promulgated?

- A. 2014
- B. 2018
- C. 2016 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. 2023

Why this answer? PECA was promulgated in 2016.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q60 (PECA promulgated in 2016).

Question 13 Pakistan Studies

Ghazni in Afghanistan is connected by the Tochi Pass to which Pakistani district?

- A. Bannu ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Ziarat
- C. Attock
- D. Swat

Why this answer? The Tochi Pass connects Bannu (Khyber Pakhtunkhwa) with Ghazni in Afghanistan.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q61 (Tochi Pass connects Bannu with Ghazni).

14 Pakistan Studies

Pakistan's foreign policy took a U-turn after the world launched the war against terrorism in which year?

- A. 2001 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. 2009
- C. 2002
- D. 2007

Why this answer? After the 9/11 attacks and the launch of the war on terrorism in 2001, Pakistan reversed its Afghanistan policy.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q62 (foreign-policy U-turn after the 2001 war on terrorism).

Question 15 Pakistan Studies

Khanki Headworks, on the River Chenab, is situated in which district?

- A. Mianwali
- B. Narowal
- C. Gujranwala ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Lahore

Why this answer? Khanki Headworks is on the River Chenab in Gujranwala district.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q63 (Khanki Headworks on the Chenab in Gujranwala).

Question 16 Pakistan Studies

Which is the largest province of Pakistan by area?

- A. Punjab
- B. Balochistan ✓ **Predicted answer**

- D. Khyber Pakhtunkhwa

Why this answer? Balochistan is the largest province of Pakistan by area.

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

Question 17 Pakistan Studies

Who was the first Prime Minister of Pakistan?

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

Why this answer? Liaquat Ali Khan was Pakistan's first Prime Minister (1947-1951).

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

Question 18 General Knowledge

Where is the headquarters of the Arab League?

- A. Riyadh
- B. Tehran
- C. Khartoum
- D. Cairo ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? The Arab League headquarters is in Cairo, Egypt.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q69 (Arab League headquarters in Cairo).

19 General Knowledge

What was the name of the mascot of the Tokyo 2020 Olympics?

- A. Hodori
- B. Fuwa
- C. Miraitowa ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Shera

Why this answer? Miraitowa was the mascot of the Tokyo 2020 Olympics.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q70 (Tokyo 2020 mascot Miraitowa).

Question 20 General Knowledge

How many states does Australia have?

- A. 6 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. 8
- C. 5
- D. 7

Why this answer? Australia has six states: New South Wales, Victoria, Queensland, South Australia, Western Australia and Tasmania.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q71 (Australia has 6 states).

Question 21 General Knowledge

Which two policies were introduced by Mikhail Gorbachev?

- A. Perestroika
- B. Both Glasnost and Perestroika ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Land revenue policies

Why this answer? Gorbachev introduced both Glasnost (openness) and Perestroika (restructuring).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q73 (Gorbachev introduced Glasnost and Perestroika).

Question 22 General Knowledge

Which country is the world's largest producer of uranium?

- A. Australia
- B. Namibia
- C. Canada
- D. Kazakhstan ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Kazakhstan is the largest producer of uranium in the world.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q74 (Kazakhstan is the largest uranium producer).

Question 23 General Knowledge

How many members does the UN Security Council have in total?

- A. 20
- B. 5
- C. 15 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. 10

Why this answer? The UN Security Council has 15 members in total (5 permanent and 10 non-permanent).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q75 (UN Security Council has 15 members).

24 General Knowledge

In which year were the first Ancient Olympic Games held?

- A. 490 BCE
- B. 776 BCE ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. 500 BCE
- D. 323 BCE

Why this answer? The first Ancient Olympic Games were held in 776 BCE at Olympia.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q76 (first Ancient Olympic Games 776 BCE).

Question 25 General Knowledge

Who wrote the book 'Long Walk to Freedom'?

- A. Bill Clinton
- B. Henry Kissinger
- C. Nelson Mandela ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Mother Teresa

Why this answer? 'Long Walk to Freedom' is Nelson Mandela's autobiography.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q80 (Long Walk to Freedom by Nelson Mandela).

Question 26 General Knowledge

In which city is the famous Golden Gate Bridge?

- A. Boston
- B. San Francisco ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Austin
- D. Seattle

swer? The Golden Gate Bridge is in San Francisco, California.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q81 (Golden Gate Bridge in San Francisco).

Question 27 General Knowledge

The first bilateral treaty between the United States and the Soviet Union, signed in 1972 to limit strategic nuclear weapons and establish the ABM Treaty, is known by what name?

- A. START
- B. SALT II
- C. NONE OF THESE
- D. SALT I ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? The 1972 treaty limiting strategic arms and the ABM Treaty is known as SALT I.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q82 (1972 US-USSR treaty is SALT I).

Question 28 General Knowledge

What does NBA stand for?

- A. National Basketball Association ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Net Banking Area
- C. National Board of Agriculture
- D. None of these

Why this answer? NBA stands for the National Basketball Association.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q83 (NBA stands for National Basketball Association).

29 General Knowledge

Which two leaders agreed the Atlantic Charter in August 1941?

- A. Winston Churchill and Charles de Gaulle
- B. Franklin D. Roosevelt and Joseph Stalin
- C. Franklin D. Roosevelt and Winston Churchill ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Franklin D. Roosevelt and Chiang Kai-shek

Why this answer? The Atlantic Charter (August 1941) was agreed by U.S. President Roosevelt and British Prime Minister Churchill.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q84 (Atlantic Charter between Roosevelt and Churchill).

Question 30 General Knowledge

Max Weber was best known as a _____?

- A. Philosopher
- B. Sociologist ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Historian
- D. Psychologist

Why this answer? Max Weber was a German sociologist, the founder of modern sociology.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q87 (Max Weber was a sociologist; the source's garbled option A was replaced with a clean distractor).

Question 31 General Knowledge

Which is the largest ocean in the world?

- A. Atlantic Ocean

an Ocean

- C. Pacific Ocean ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Arctic Ocean

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

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — General Knowledge: world geography (oceans, continents) recurs in every sitting of this post.

Question 32 General Knowledge

In which country would you find the Eiffel Tower?

- A. France ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Italy
- C. Spain
- D. England

Why this answer? The Eiffel Tower stands in Paris, France.

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

Question 33 English

Choose the correct verb to complete the sentence: Each of the boys _____ rewarded.

- A. were
- B. are being
- C. was ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. have been

Why this answer? 'Each of the boys was rewarded' — 'each' takes a singular verb.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q28 (each takes a singular verb; was).

34 English

Pick the pair that matches the relation in LION : ROAR.

- A. Lizard: Crawl
- B. Snake: Slither
- C. Horse: Gallop
- D. Goat: Bleat ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? A lion roars and a goat bleats: animal to its sound, the matching pair.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q29 (LION:ROAR matches GOAT:BLEAT, animal to its sound; the source printed the Lizard option twice, the duplicate was replaced with a fresh movement pair).

Question 35 English

Which word comes closest in meaning to 'unanimously'?

- A. Democratically ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Secretively
- C. Forcefully
- D. Arbitrarily

Why this answer? 'Unanimously' (with everyone agreeing) is closest to 'democratically' (by common consent) among the options.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q30 (synonym of unanimously keyed as democratically).

Question 36 English

My friend said to me, 'Has your father returned from Karachi?' Choose the correct indirect speech.

- A. My friend said to me that my father has returned from Karachi

friend told me that his father had returned from Karachi

- C. My friend asked me if my father had returned from Karachi ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. My friend enquired me if his father had returned from Karachi

Why this answer? A yes/no question becomes 'asked … if' with the tense shifted back (has → had).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q31 (narration: asked me if my father had returned).

Question 37 English

What is the nearest synonym of 'demonic'?

- A. Maniacal ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Heavenly
- C. Angelic
- D. Celestial

Why this answer? Maniacal (mad, frenzied, devilish) is the synonym of demonic here.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q32 (synonym of demonic is maniacal).

Question 38 English

Which word is the opposite of 'kith'?

- A. Realistic
- B. Stranger ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Friend
- D. Waste

Why this answer? 'Kith' means friends and acquaintances; its antonym is stranger.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q33

kith is stranger).

Question 39 English

Which word is the opposite of 'boozy'?

- A. Wasted
- B. Fried
- C. Sober ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Wet

Why this answer? Sober (not drunk) is the antonym of boozy.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q34 (antonym of boozy is sober).

Question 40 English

There are two students in my class, ____ boy and ____ girl. Choose the correct articles.

- A. the, an
- B. a, a ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. the, a
- D. an, a

Why this answer? 'A boy and a girl': the indefinite article before both consonant sounds.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q35 (articles: a boy and a girl).

Question 41 English

Coffee : Beverage :: ? : ? — choose the pair with the same relation.

- A. Grapes: Wine
- B. Bread: Butter

:: Tea

- D. Burger: Snacks ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Coffee is a kind of beverage, as a burger is a kind of snack: item to its class.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q36 (Coffee:Beverage matches Burger:Snacks, item to its class).

Question 42 English

What does the idiom 'at sixes and sevens' mean?

- A. In disorder ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. In moderation
- C. Accessible
- D. Going strong

Why this answer? 'At sixes and sevens' means in disorder or confusion.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q37 (at sixes and sevens means in disorder).

Question 43 English

Which word means the same as 'cadaver'?

- A. Corpse ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Victim
- C. Skeleton
- D. Bodyguard

Why this answer? A cadaver is a corpse, a dead body.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q38 (synonym of cadaver is corpse).

44 English

What does the idiom 'out of the blue' mean?

- A. Many times
- B. Higher than sky
- C. Once upon a time
- D. An unexpected way ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? 'Out of the blue' means suddenly, in an unexpected way.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q39 (out of the blue means in an unexpected way).

Question 45 English

Which word is nearest in meaning to 'brave'?

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

Why this answer? 'Brave' means courageous — showing no fear.

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

Question 46 English

Choose the correctly spelled word.

- A. Accomodate
- B. Acommodate
- C. Accommodate ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Accomodatte

swer? Accommodate is spelled with double C and double M.

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

Question 47 Urdu

خالد جاوید کی تصنیف موت کی کتاب کس صنف ادب کی مثال ہے؟

Predicted answer ✓ A. ناول

B. تنقید

C. شاعری

D. افسانہ

Why this answer? خالد جاوید کی موت کی کتاب ایک ناول ہے۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q20 (موت کی کتاب ایک ناول ہے)۔

Question 48 Urdu

انسان اور آدمی کس مصنف کی کتاب ہے؟

Predicted answer ✓ A. محمد حسن عسکری

B. احمد فراز

C. سعادت حسن منٹو

D. فیض احمد فیض

Why this answer? انسان اور آدمی محمد حسن عسکری کی کتاب ہے۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q21 (انسان اور آدمی محمد حسن عسکری کی کتاب ہے)۔

49 Urdu

قرۃ العین حیدر کے ناول آگ کا دریا کا عنوان کس شاعر کے مصرعے سے ماخوذ ہے؟

- A. صوفی تبسم
- **Predicted answer** ✓ B. جگر مراد آبادی
- C. عابد علی
- D. پروین شاکر

Why this answer? آگ کا دریا کا عنوان جگر مراد آبادی کے ایک مصرعے سے لیا گیا ہے۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q22 (آگ کا دریا کا عنوان جگر مراد آبادی کے مصرعے سے لیا گیا)۔

Question 50 Urdu

مصرعہ لوح بھی تو قلم بھی تو کس شاعر کا ہے؟

- A. مومن خان مومن
- B. فیض احمد فیض
- C. مرزا غالب
- **Predicted answer** ✓ D. علامہ اقبال

Why this answer? لوح بھی تو قلم بھی تو علامہ اقبال کا مصرعہ ہے۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q23 (لوح بھی تو قلم بھی تو علامہ اقبال کا مصرعہ ہے)۔

Question 51 Urdu

بابائے اردو کا لقب کس شخصیت کو دیا گیا ہے؟

B. قتیل شفائی

Predicted answer ✓ C. مولوی عبد الحق

D. محمد حسین آزاد

Why this answer? مولوی عبد الحق بابائے اردو کہلاتے ہیں۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q24 (مولوی عبد الحق بابائے اردو کہلاتے ہیں)۔

Question 52 Urdu

مغربی تنقید میں ارسطو کا مقام آج بھی ہے یہ قول کس ادیب کا ہے؟

A. قمر راشد

B. احمد ندیم قاسمی

Predicted answer ✓ C. جمیل جالبی

D. ڈاکٹر وزیر آغا

Why this answer? مغربی تنقید میں ارسطو کا مقام آج بھی ہے جمیل جالبی کا قول ہے۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q25 (یہ قول جمیل جالبی کا ہے)۔

Question 53 Urdu

تارا چمکنا محاورہ کس معنی میں استعمال ہوتا ہے؟

Predicted answer ✓ A. عروج آنا

B. سست ہو جانا

C. نیچے گرنا

D. تارا چمکنا سے مراد عروج آنا، شہرت اور بلندی پانا ہے۔ **Why this answer?**

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q26 (تارا چمکنا کا مطلب عروج آنا ہے)۔

Question 54 Urdu

گل بکاولی کا ذکر کس مثنوی میں ملتا ہے؟

A. زبر عشق

B. سحر البیان

C. گلاب و پری

Predicted answer ✓ D. گلزار نسیم

Why this answer? گل بکاولی کا ذکر مثنوی گلزار نسیم میں ہے (دیا شنکر نسیم کی مثنوی)۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q27 (گل بکاولی کا ذکر گلزار نسیم میں ہے)۔

Question 55 Urdu

ٹوٹا کہانی کس مصنف کی تصنیف ہے؟

A. بانو قدسیہ

Predicted answer ✓ B. اشفاق احمد

C. پریم چند

D. سعادت حسن منٹو

Why this answer? ٹوٹا کہانی اشفاق احمد کی تصنیف ہے۔

ed [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q64 (ٹوٹا کہانی اشفاق احمد کی تصنیف ہے)۔

Question 56 Urdu

اردو کا پہلا صاحب دیوان شاعر کون ہے؟

Predicted answer ✓ A. ولی دکنی

B. میر تقی میر

C. مرزا غالب

D. علامہ اقبال

Why this answer? ولی دکنی اردو کے پہلے صاحب دیوان شاعر مانے جاتے ہیں۔

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — Urdu: literary firsts recur in every sitting of this post.

Question 57 Computer Science

Which program do you use to open the home page of a merchant's website?

- A. Media player
- B. Search engine
- C. Email client
- D. Web Browser ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? A web browser opens the home page of a website.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q6 (a web browser opens a website's home page).

Question 58 Computer Science

In which database application is filtering used to show only the data you want displayed?

server

- B. Excel
- C. MySQL
- D. Access ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? In MS Access, filtering shows only the data you want displayed.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q7 (filtering in MS Access shows only the wanted data).

Question 59 Computer Science

An Excel workbook is made up of what?

- A. Workbooks
- B. Worksheets
- C. Charts
- D. Worksheets and Charts ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? An Excel workbook is a collection of worksheets and chart sheets.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q8 (an Excel workbook is a collection of worksheets and charts).

Question 60 Computer Science

What does the term e-commerce describe?

- A. Sale and purchase of goods
- B. Doing business electronically ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Doing business
- D. Transaction broker

Why this answer? E-commerce is doing business electronically, over the internet.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q9

Question 61 Computer Science

Which short-range wireless technology built into gadgets lets them exchange data over short distances?

- A. Bluetooth ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Modem
- C. Wi-Fi
- D. USB

Why this answer? Bluetooth is the short-range wireless technology built into gadgets for exchanging data.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q10 (Bluetooth is the short-range wireless data technology; the source printed 'Modern', a misprint for 'Modem', which was corrected).

Question 62 Computer Science

Which human quality do computers still not match?

- A. Reliability
- B. Diligence
- C. Intelligence ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Speed

Why this answer? Human beings are superior to computers in intelligence (judgment, creativity, understanding).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q11 (humans are superior to computers in intelligence).

63 Computer Science

Which of these is NOT a way of paying online?

- A. E-Cheque
- B. Credit Card
- C. Debit Card
- D. Cash on Delivery ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Cash on Delivery is paid in cash when the goods arrive, not online.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q12 (Cash on Delivery is not an online payment mode).

Question 64 Computer Science

In a slide show, what is a slide transition?

- A. Overheads
- B. Letters
- C. A special effect used to introduce a slide in a slide show ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. The way one slide looks

Why this answer? A slide transition is the special effect that introduces a slide in a slide show.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q13 (a slide transition introduces a slide with a special effect).

Question 65 Computer Science

What does CPU stand for?

- A. Central Processing Unit ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Central Program Unit
- C. Computer Processing Unit

Why this answer? CPU stands for Central Processing Unit.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — Computer Science: abbreviations recur in every sitting of this post.

Question 66 Mathematics

A rectangular field is 18 m long and its area is 216 square metres. What is its breadth?

- A. 12m ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. 20m
- C. 18m
- D. 144m

Why this answer? Breadth = area / length = 216 / 18 = 12 m.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q40 (breadth = 216 / 18 = 12 m).

Question 67 Mathematics

A person earns 80,000 in a week and saves 20,000. What percentage of the earnings is spent?

- A. 25%
- B. 75% ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. 50%
- D. 95%

Why this answer? Spent 60,000 out of 80,000 = 60,000 / 80,000 = 75%.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q41 (60,000 spent of 80,000 is 75%).

68 Mathematics

Two numbers are in the ratio 3:4. When each is increased by 3, the ratio becomes 4:5. What is the difference between the numbers?

- A. 7
- B. 9
- C. 2
- D. 3 ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Let the numbers be 3x and 4x: (3x + 3) / (4x + 3) = 4/5 gives x = 3, so the numbers are 9 and 12, whose difference is 3.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q42 (the numbers are 9 and 12, difference 3).

Question 69 Mathematics

A worker is paid Rs 2310 for 6 days of work. If his wages for a month total Rs 9230, for how many days did he work?

- A. 24 days ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. 28 days
- C. 22 days
- D. 26 days

Why this answer? Daily wage = 2310 / 6 = Rs 385; Rs 9230 / Rs 385 is about 24 days (the book's total is 10 short of Rs 9240, the exact 24-day figure).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q43 (daily wage Rs 385; Rs 9230 is about 24 days' work).

Question 70 Mathematics

Shahwaiz has 20 football cards and Azhaan has 44 baseball cards. Azhaan gives

baseball cards for every card Shahwaiz gives him. After how many such trades will they hold equal numbers of cards?

- A. 12 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. 18
- C. 11
- D. 14

Why this answer? After n trades Shahwaiz has 20 + n and Azhaan has 44 - n; 20 + n = 44 - n gives n = 12.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q44 (equal after 12 trades).

Question 71 Mathematics

Solve for x: (3x + 3) / (4x - 4) = 5/4.

- A. 4 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. 6
- C. 3
- D. 5

Why this answer? Cross-multiplying: 4(3x + 3) = 5(4x - 4), so 12x + 12 = 20x - 20, giving x = 4.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q45 (x = 4).

Question 72 Mathematics

A rectangular field has length 18 metres and area 666 square metres. Find its breadth.

- A. 44 m
- B. 37 m ✓ **Predicted answer**

- D. 24 m

Why this answer? Breadth = area / length = 666 / 18 = 37 m.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q46 (breadth = 666 / 18 = 37 m).

Question 73 Mathematics

Evaluate: (0.49)^4 x (0.343)^4 / (0.2401)^4 = (70/100)^(? + 3). What is the value of ?

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

Why this answer? 0.49 = (0.7)^2, 0.343 = (0.7)^3 and 0.2401 = (0.7)^4, so the left side is (0.7)^(8 + 12 - 16) = (0.7)^4 = (70/100)^4; so ? + 3 = 4 and ? = 1.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q47 (the exponent works out to ? = 1).

Question 74 Mathematics

What is 15% of 200?

- A. 30 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. 25
- C. 35
- D. 45

Why this answer? 15% of 200 = (15 / 100) x 200 = 30.

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

75 Current Affairs

In which sea is the territorial dispute involving China and its neighbours, including Australia, centred?

- A. South China Sea ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Tasman Sea
- C. Coral Sea
- D. Timor Sea

Why this answer? The South China Sea is the subject of the territorial dispute involving China and its neighbours, including Australia's interests.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q5 (South China Sea dispute involving China and its neighbours).

Question 76 Current Affairs

In which general elections was the Results Transmission System (RTS) used for the first time in Pakistan?

- A. 2008
- B. 2013
- C. 2018 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. None of these

Why this answer? The Results Transmission System was first used in the General Elections of 2018.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q59 (RTS first used in the 2018 General Elections; the source printed 2018 twice, the duplicate was replaced with 2008).

77 Current Affairs

Which number Prime Minister of Malaysia was Ismail Sabri Yaakob?

- A. 17th
- B. 9th ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. 8th
- D. 12th

Why this answer? Ismail Sabri Yaakob was the 9th Prime Minister of Malaysia (2021-2022).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q72 (Ismail Sabri was the 9th Prime Minister of Malaysia).

Question 78 Current Affairs

Of Kuwait, Bahrain and Brazil, which one joined NATO most recently?

- A. Kuwait
- B. Bahrain
- C. Brazil
- D. None of these ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? None of the three named countries joined NATO; the most recent joiner, Sweden (March 2024), is not among the options.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q77 (none of Kuwait, Bahrain or Brazil joined NATO).

Question 79 Current Affairs

After the United States left Afghanistan in 2021, which country offered to run Kabul's Hamid Karzai International Airport?

- A. China

key ✓ **Predicted answer**

- C. Russia
- D. Argentina

Why this answer? After the U.S. withdrawal in 2021, Turkey offered to take over the management of Kabul's Hamid Karzai International Airport.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q78 (Turkey offered to run Kabul airport after the 2021 withdrawal).

Question 80 Current Affairs

How many states had openly declared themselves nuclear powers by 2017?

- A. 12
- B. 8 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. 5
- D. 10

Why this answer? By 2017, eight countries had declared themselves nuclear powers (the five NPT states plus India, Pakistan and North Korea; Israel's arsenal remained undeclared).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q85 (eight declared nuclear powers by 2017).

Question 81 Current Affairs

In which year did North Korea carry out its second nuclear test?

- A. 2016
- B. 2009 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. 2006
- D. 2013

swer: North Korea conducted its second nuclear test in 2009.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q86 (North Korea's second nuclear test was in 2009).

Question 82 Current Affairs

Which country hosted the 2024 Summer Olympic Games?

- A. Japan
- B. France ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Brazil
- D. England

Why this answer? The 2024 Summer Olympics were held in Paris, France.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — Current Affairs: Olympic hosts recur in every sitting of this post.

Question 83 Everyday Science

What is the name for a solution of salt, usually sodium chloride, in water?

- A. Brine ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Baking soda
- C. Milk of magnesia
- D. Washing soda

Why this answer? Brine is a solution of salt (usually sodium chloride) in water.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q14 (brine is a solution of salt in water).

Question 84 Everyday Science

Why does food taste tasteless during a fever?

fever directly enhances the function of taste receptors

- B. Fever increases the production of saliva, which enhances taste perception
- C. None of these
- D. The function of the enzymes in our taste buds stop ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? In fever the enzymes in the taste buds stop working properly, so food tastes tasteless.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q15 (in fever the taste-bud enzymes stop working).

Question 85 Everyday Science

What do we call a species of which no living individuals remain?

- A. Threatened
- B. Vulnerable
- C. Extinct ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Endangered

Why this answer? An extinct species has no living individuals remaining.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q16 (a species with no living individuals is extinct).

Question 86 Everyday Science

What is the scientific study of disease called?

- A. Epistemology
- B. Epidemiology
- C. Pathology ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Ornithology

Why this answer? Pathology is the scientific study of disease.

ed [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q17 (the study of disease is pathology).

Question 87 Everyday Science

Iodine is needed by the body to make which hormone?

- A. Adrenaline
- B. Thyroxin ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Auxin
- D. Insulin

Why this answer? Iodine is essential for the synthesis of thyroxin (thyroid hormone).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q18 (iodine is essential for thyroxin).

Question 88 Everyday Science

Which device changes mechanical energy into electrical energy?

- A. Motor
- B. Transformer
- C. Generator ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Coil

Why this answer? A generator converts mechanical energy into electrical energy.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q19 (a generator converts mechanical to electrical energy).

Question 89 Everyday Science

What is the chemical symbol for gold?

- A. Ag

- C. Go
- D. Au ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? The chemical symbol for gold is Au (from the Latin aurum).

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

Question 90 Geography

Which nation is credited with the longest coastline on Earth, stretching over 200,000 km?

- A. Canada ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Indonesia
- C. Australia
- D. India

Why this answer? Canada has the longest coastline in the world (over 200,000 km).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q1 (Canada has the longest coastline).

Question 91 Geography

The Potala Palace, the former winter residence of the Dalai Lama, stands in which region?

- A. Trisul
- B. Tibet ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Kailash
- D. Mount Victoria

Why this answer? The Potala Palace is in Lhasa, Tibet.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q2

palace is in Tibet).

Question 92 Geography

How high is K-2, the world's second-highest peak?

- A. 8511 m
- B. 8611 m ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. 8210 m
- D. 8410 m

Why this answer? K-2 is 8,611 metres high, the second highest mountain in the world.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q3 (K-2 is 8,611 m high).

Question 93 Geography

Through how many countries does the River Rhine flow on its way to the North Sea?

- A. 3
- B. 6 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. 4
- D. 5

Why this answer? The Rhine flows through six countries (Switzerland, Liechtenstein, Austria, Germany, France, Netherlands).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q4 (the Rhine flows through six countries).

Question 94 Geography

In which country would you find the city of Johannesburg?

- A. Libya

th Africa ✓ **Predicted answer**

- C. China
- D. Egypt

Why this answer? Johannesburg is a city in South Africa.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q79 (Johannesburg is in South Africa).

Question 95 Geography

Which is the longest river in the world?

- A. Amazon
- B. Yangtze
- C. Nile ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Indus

Why this answer? The Nile is the longest river in the world.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — Geography: longest rivers and mountains recur in every sitting of this post.

Question 96 Islamic Studies

Which wife of Hazrat Usman ibn Affan (RA) migrated twice?

- A. Hazrat Umm Habiba (RA)
- B. Hazrat Asma bint Umais (RA)
- C. Hazrat Ummul Banin (RA)
- D. Hazrat Ruqayyah (RA) ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Ruqayyah (RA), daughter of the Prophet (PBUH) and wife of Usman (RA), migrated to Abyssinia twice.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q65

RA), wife of Usman (RA), migrated twice).

Question 97 Islamic Studies

زمانہ جاہلیت میں کس صحابی کا نام عبد الکعبہ تھا؟

A. حضرت عثمان بن عفان رضی اللہ عنہ

B. حضرت عمر بن خطاب رضی اللہ عنہ

C. حضرت بلال بن رباح رضی اللہ عنہ

Predicted answer ✓ D. حضرت ابو بکر صدیق رضی اللہ عنہ

Why this answer? زمانہ جاہلیت میں ابو بکر صدیق رضی اللہ عنہ کا نام عبد الکعبہ تھا، جو اسلام کے بعد عبد اللہ رکھا گیا۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q66 (زمانہ جاہلیت میں ابو بکر صدیق کا نام عبد الکعبہ تھا؛ ماخذ میں عثمان کا آپشن دو بار چھپا تھا، نقل کو تبدیل کر دیا گیا)۔

Question 98 Islamic Studies

غزوہ احد کس سال ہجری میں لڑی گئی؟

A. 4 ہجری

B. 5 ہجری

C. 6 ہجری

Predicted answer ✓ D. 3 ہجری

Why this answer? غزوہ احد 3 ہجری میں ہوئی۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q67 (غزوہ احد 3 ہجری میں ہوئی)۔

99 Islamic Studies

حضرت ابو بکر صدیق نے طلیحہ بن خویلد اسدی کے خلاف لشکر کس سپہ سالار کی قیادت میں بھیجا؟

A. حضرت معاذ •

B. حضرت ابو عبیدہ •

C. ان میں سے کوئی نہیں •

Predicted answer ✓ D. حضرت خالد بن ولید •

Why this answer? حضرت ابو بکر صدیق رضی اللہ عنہ نے طلیحہ بن خویلد اسدی کی سرکوبی کے لیے خالد بن ولید رضی اللہ عنہ کی قیادت میں لشکر روانہ کیا۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-deputy-secretary-2024 Q68 (طلیحہ کی سرکوبی کے لیے خالد بن ولید کی قیادت میں لشکر بھیجا گیا)۔

Question 100 Islamic Studies

How many pillars of Islam are there?

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

Why this answer? Islam has five pillars: 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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