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Question 1 English

Which word best gives the meaning of SULTRY?

- A. Solvable
- B. Sticky
- C. Salty
- D. Hot and humid ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Sultry describes hot, humid, oppressive weather.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q72

Question 2 English

As a verb, what does CLOG mean?

- A. A cover
- B. To push forward
- C. To block ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. A bump

Why this answer? As a verb, clog means to block or obstruct, as a drain clogged with leaves.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q73 (clog — to block)

Question 3 English

Which word is nearest in meaning to VAPID?

- A. Virtuous
- B. Vital
- C. Dull ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Lustre

Why this answer? Vapid means flat, dull and lifeless, as in vapid talk.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q74 (vapid — dull)

Question 4 English

Which of these words is closest in meaning to DISQUISITION?

- A. Explosion

- C. Report ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Motion

Why this answer? A disquisition is a long, formal written or spoken discussion of a subject, closest in meaning here to a report.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q75 (disquisition — report)

Question 5 English

In the sentence "The travel agent will confirm my reservations for next week's flight to London", which word could replace "confirm"?

- A. Ratify
- B. Obtain
- C. Verify ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Approve

Why this answer? Confirm here means to check that the reservations are in order, which is what verify means.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q76 (confirm — verify)

Question 6 English

Which word is most nearly opposite in meaning to RECEDE?

- A. Reject
- B. Proceed ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Follow
- D. Welcome

swer? Recede means to move back or withdraw; proceed means to move forward, so it is the opposite.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q77 (opposite of recede — proceed)

Question 7 English

Which word is most nearly opposite in meaning to CLEAN?

- A. Pure
- B. Dirty ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Lure
- D. None of these

Why this answer? Dirty is the direct opposite of clean.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q78 (opposite of clean — dirty)

Question 8 English

Which word is most nearly opposite in meaning to POSTPONE?

- A. Schedule
- B. Defer
- C. None of these
- D. Accelerate ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Postpone means to put off to a later time; accelerate means to bring forward or hasten, so it is the opposite here.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q79 (opposite of postpone — accelerate)

9 English

Which word is most nearly opposite in meaning to DEPART?

- A. Depend
- B. Leave
- C. Come back ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Unknown

Why this answer? Depart means to leave; coming back is its opposite.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q80 (opposite of depart — come back)

Question 10 English

In "He directed a couple of mediocre films", which word is opposite in meaning to "mediocre"?

- A. Successful
- B. Famous
- C. Outstanding ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Noble

Why this answer? Mediocre means ordinary and of middling quality; outstanding means excellent, so it is the opposite.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q81 (opposite of mediocre — outstanding)

Question 11 English

Which pair shows the same relation as CORRUGATED is to STRIPED?

- A. Box : Zebra
- B. Paint : Crayon

gliness : Smoothness

- D. Pit : Dot ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Corrugated describes a surface marked with ridges, as striped describes a pattern of stripes; likewise a pit is a small hollow and a dot is its mark, the same kind of surface-pattern pairing.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q82 (corrugated : striped — pit : dot)

Question 12 English

Which pair shows the same relation as MARS is to MERCURY?

- A. Language : Dictionary
- B. Lux : Pears ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Comets : Shooting Stars
- D. Sand : Stone

Why this answer? Mars and Mercury are both planets, and Lux and Pears are both brands of soap: two members of the same class, which is the intended relation.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q83 (mars : mercury — lux : pears)

Question 13 English

Which pair shows the same relation as PINK is to RED?

- A. Lake : Sea
- B. Sky : Blue
- C. Smile : Laughter ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Flower : Fragrance

Why this answer? Pink is a lighter, weaker form of red, just as a smile is a lighter, weaker

hter: a matter of degree.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q84 (pink : red — smile : laughter)

Question 14 English

Which pair shows the same relation as DETERIORATION is to RUST?

- A. Iron : Water
- B. Depression : Unemployment ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Emaciation : Debilitation
- D. Promulgation : Legislation

Why this answer? Rust is a cause of deterioration, just as unemployment is a cause of depression: a cause-and-effect pairing.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q85 (deterioration : rust — depression : unemployment)

Question 15 English

Which pair shows the same relation as TEDIOUS is to BORING?

- A. Boor : Oafish
- B. Indefatigable : Untiring ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Pressing : Crushing
- D. Poor : Poverty

Why this answer? Tedious and boring are near synonyms, and indefatigable and untiring are also near synonyms, so the relation matches.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q86 (tedious : boring — indefatigable : untiring)

16 English

In the cricket passage, which statements about Shrewsbury are true? I. He was a cricket player. II. His technical knowledge about cricket was poor. III. There was no spirit in his play.

- A. I and III
- B. I and II ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Only I
- D. None of these

Why this answer? The passage presents Shrewsbury as a cricketer whose technique was poor, yet whose play had spirit, so statements I and II are true.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q87 (Shrewsbury — statements I and II true)

Question 17 English

What is the central point the author of the cricket passage is making?

- A. Technical perfection is not required in playing an enjoyable cricket
- B. He who plays cricket with adventure and enthusiasm makes it enjoyable ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. He who scores a century must be a good cricketer
- D. Cricket is a monotonous game

Why this answer? This is the passage's thesis: it is the spirit of joyous adventure that gives cricket its character.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q88 (author's point — adventure and enthusiasm make cricket enjoyable)

18 English

What does the cricket passage say about Jam Sahib?

- A. He was both a splendid cricketer and the ruler of Nawanagar ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. He was a splendid cricketer only
- C. He lived in Nawanagar only
- D. Neither is true

Why this answer? Jam Sahib (Ranjitsinhji) was both a splendid cricketer and the ruler of Nawanagar.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q89 (Jam Sahib — splendid cricketer and ruler of Nawanagar)

Question 19 English

In the cricket passage, what does "In literature as in finance... much paper and much poverty may coexist" mean?

- A. The cricketer who gets lot of runs may not play an enjoyable cricket ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Jam Sahib was rich man as he was the king of Nawanagar
- C. Shrewsbury was a poor man
- D. None of these

Why this answer? The quotation means that a large output (many runs, much paper) can coexist with poverty of spirit, so a heavy scorer may still play unenjoyable cricket.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q90 (quotation — heavy scorer may not play enjoyable cricket)

20 English

According to the cricket passage, what gives cricket its character?

- A. The spirit of sacrifice
- B. The spirit of joyous adventure
- C. All of these ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. The gaiety daring attitude of the player

Why this answer? All three qualities — the spirit of sacrifice, the spirit of joyous adventure, and the gaiety and daring of the player — together give cricket its character.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q91 (what gives cricket its character — all of these)

Question 21 Pakistan Studies

Which province of Pakistan is traditionally called the land of hospitality?

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

Why this answer? Khyber Pakhtunkhwa is traditionally called the land of hospitality (melmastia) in Pakistani general knowledge.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q3 (land of hospitality — KPK)

Question 22 Pakistan Studies

The 2019 paper's key gives Pakistan's border with which country as 805 km?

- A. Iran ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. India

- D. Afghanistan

Why this answer? The paper's key gives the Pakistan–Iran border as 805 km (modern measurement puts it at about 905 km).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q12 (805 km border — Iran)

Question 23 Pakistan Studies

Pakistan's area of 310,400 square miles is usually stated in textbooks as how many square kilometres?

- A. 6,96,096 square Kms
- B. 7,96,096 square Kms ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. 8,96,096 square Kms
- D. 9,96,096 square Kms

Why this answer? The standard textbook figure for Pakistan's area, 796,096 sq km (310,400 square miles).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q13 (Pakistan's area — 7,96,096 sq km)

Question 24 Pakistan Studies

Which figure does the 2019 paper's key give for the area of Punjab?

- A. 3,47,190 Sq. Kms
- B. 2,01,345 Sq. Kms ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. 1,40,914 Sq. Kms
- D. 74,521 Sq. Kms

Why this answer? The paper's key gives 2,01,345 sq km — a digit transposition of

e area, 205,344 sq km, it is the only option in range and the intended answer.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q14 (Punjab's area as keyed — 2,01,345 sq km)

Question 25 Pakistan Studies

Which province is the largest in Pakistan by area?

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

Why this answer? Balochistan covers 347,190 sq km, about 43.6% of Pakistan, making it the largest province by area.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q15 (largest province by area — Baluchistan)

Question 26 Pakistan Studies

Balochistan's area of 347,190 sq km is what share of Pakistan's total area?

- A. 43.6% ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. 33.6%
- C. 30.2%
- D. 28.2%

Why this answer? 347,190 divided by 796,096 equals 0.436, i.e. 43.6%.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q16 (Balochistan's share of Pakistan's area — 43.6%)

27 Pakistan Studies

From where to the Arabian Sea does the lower Indus plain run?

- A. Multan and Arabian Sea
- B. Mithankot and Arabian Sea ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. D.G. Khan and Arabian sea
- D. Bahawalpur and Arabian Sea

Why this answer? The lower Indus plain runs from Mithankot, where the Indus meets the Panjnad, south to the Arabian Sea.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q17 (lower Indus plain — Mithankot to Arabian Sea)

Question 28 Pakistan Studies

Under the old administrative set-up described in the 2019 paper (27 divisions), what was Pakistan's total number of districts in all the provinces?

- A. 102
- B. 112
- C. 116
- D. 108 ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? The older four-province total (Punjab 34 + Sindh 23 + NWFP 24 + Balochistan 27 = 108) matching the stem's "(27 divisions)" framing; filed as the paper's keyed answer, though the total is higher today.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q18 (total districts, old set-up — 108)

Question 29 Pakistan Studies

How many districts did Punjab comprise in 2019, according to the paper's key?

districts ✓ **Predicted answer**

- B. 34 districts
- C. 38 districts
- D. 40 districts

Why this answer? Punjab had 36 districts in 2019, so this is the correct answer.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q19 (Punjab's districts in 2019 — 36)

Question 30 Pakistan Studies

Mansehra and Swabi are districts of which province?

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

Why this answer? Mansehra and Swabi are districts of the former NWFP, now Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q20 (Mansehra and Swabi — NWFP)

Question 31 Pakistan Studies

Which number census was the population census Pakistan conducted in 2017?

- A. 6th population census ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. 4th population census
- C. 5th population census
- D. 7th population census

Why this answer? The census held in 2017 was Pakistan's sixth population census.

ed [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q42 (2017 census — 6th population census)

Question 32 Pakistan Studies

In which month did Pakistan's sixth population census begin in 2017?

- A. February 2017
- B. April 2017
- C. May 2017
- D. March 2017 ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? The sixth census began in March 2017 (its first phase started on 15 March 2017).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q43 (sixth census began — March 2017)

Question 33 Pakistan Studies

Who was the first Governor of the NWFP after independence, serving from August 1947 to April 1948?

- A. Sir Francis Moody
- B. Sir George Cunningham ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Allan Perry Keane
- D. Sir Francis Messervy

Why this answer? Sir George Cunningham was the first Governor of the North-West Frontier Province after independence, serving from August 1947 to April 1948.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q46 (first Governor of NWFP — Sir George Cunningham)

34 Pakistan Studies

In which mountain range is the Kilik Pass situated?

- A. Karakoram ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Hindukush
- C. Sulaiman
- D. Himalaya

Why this answer? The Kilik Pass lies in the Karakoram range on the Pakistan–China border in Gilgit-Baltistan.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q51 (Kilik Pass — Karakoram)

Question 35 Everyday Science

If there were no sun at all, what colour would the sky be?

- A. Orange
- B. Yellow
- C. Black ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Blue

Why this answer? With no sun there is no light to scatter, so the sky would be black, the colour of space.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q22 (no sun — sky would be black; "None of these" was keyed because black was not among the printed options)

Question 36 Everyday Science

Which of these changes is a physical change rather than a chemical reaction?

- A. Burning of a paper

version of water into steam ✓ **Predicted answer**

- C. Digestion of food
- D. Burning of coal

Why this answer? Boiling only changes water's state from liquid to gas; no new substance is formed, so it is a physical change, not a chemical reaction.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q23 (not a chemical reaction — conversion of water into steam)

Question 37 Everyday Science

What is a chronometer used to measure?

- A. Sound waves
- B. Time ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Color contrast
- D. Water waves

Why this answer? A chronometer is a highly accurate timepiece used to measure time, notably at sea for navigation.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q24 (chronometer measures — time)

Question 38 Everyday Science

Which is the lightest particle of matter among these?

- A. Neutron
- B. Proton
- C. Electron ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Deuteron

Why this answer? The electron is the lightest of the four, about 1/1836 the mass of a

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q25 (lightest particle — electron)

Question 39 Everyday Science

What is meteorology the science of?

- A. Study of weights and measures
- B. Study of growth
- C. Study of stars
- D. Science of atmosphere ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Meteorology is the study of the atmosphere, weather and climate.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q26 (meteorology — science of atmosphere)

Question 40 Everyday Science

To whom does the credit for developing the first polio vaccine go?

- A. Albert Sabin
- B. Salman Waksman
- C. Jonas Salk ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. None of these

Why this answer? Jonas Salk developed the first effective polio vaccine, the injected inactivated vaccine, announced in 1955.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q27 (first polio vaccine — Jonas Salk)

41 Everyday Science

Who invented the modern ballpoint pen?

- A. Laszlo Biro ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Waterman
- C. Oscar
- D. Wilson

Why this answer? Hungarian inventor Laszlo Biro patented the modern ballpoint pen in 1938.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q28 (ballpoint pen — Laszlo Biro)

Question 42 Everyday Science

Blaise Pascal is best known in science for what invention?

- A. Calculation Machine ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Computer
- C. Cinema
- D. Laszlo Biro

Why this answer? Pascal invented the Pascaline, an early mechanical calculating machine, in the 1640s.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q29 (Blaise Pascal — calculation machine)

Question 43 Everyday Science

Which metal stays liquid at ordinary room temperature?

- A. Gold
- B. Aluminium

inum

- D. Mercury ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Mercury is the only metal that is liquid at room temperature, melting at −39 °C.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q30 (liquid metal at room temperature — mercury)

Question 44 Everyday Science

What is the scientific study of earthquakes called?

- A. Ecology
- B. Numismatics
- C. None of these
- D. Seismology ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Seismology is the scientific study of earthquakes and the waves they produce.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q31 (study of earthquakes — seismology)

Question 45 Everyday Science

What material is the filament of an ordinary electric bulb made of?

- A. Carbon
- B. Nitrogen
- C. Tungsten ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Iodine

Why this answer? Bulb filaments are made of tungsten because it has a very high melting point (about 3,422 °C) and glows without melting.

ed [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q37 (bulb filament — tungsten)

Question 46 Everyday Science

Between what does crossing over take place during meiosis?

- A. Homologous Chromosomes ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Sister Chromatids
- C. Non-Homologous Chromosomes
- D. None of these

Why this answer? Crossing over is the exchange of segments between non-sister chromatids of homologous chromosomes during meiosis.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q38 (crossing over — homologous chromosomes)

Question 47 Islamiat

According to the keyed answer of the 2019 paper, the Ashab-e-Kahaf belonged to which country?

- A. Iran
- B. Iraq
- C. Syria ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Egypt

Why this answer? Syria is the paper's keyed answer for the country of the Companions of the Cave; the cave's location is disputed, with Ephesus in Turkey and al-Raqim in Jordan the two main identifications.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q10 (Ashab-e-Kahaf — Syria, as keyed)

48 Islamiat

Which pillar of Islam comes first?

- A. Kalimah ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Hajj
- C. Zakat
- D. Saum

Why this answer? The first pillar of Islam is the Shahadah, the declaration of faith (Kalimah), "There is no god but Allah, and Muhammad is His Messenger."

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q52 (first pillar of Islam — Kalimah)

Question 49 Islamiat

How many words are there in the first Kalimah?

- A. Five
- B. Seven ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Six
- D. Eight

Why this answer? The first Kalimah (La ilaha illallah Muhammadur Rasulullah) contains seven words.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q53 (words in the first Kalimah — seven)

Question 50 Islamiat

Which surah throws light on the character, conduct and high position of the Holy Prophet (PBUH)?

- A. Surah Kausar

ah Akhlas

- C. Surah Falaq
- D. Surah Al-Ahzab ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Surah Al-Ahzab describes the Prophet as the best example (uswa hasana) and speaks of his high position, so it is the intended answer.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q54 (surah on the Prophet's character and position — Surah Al-Ahzab)

Question 51 Islamiat

According to the 2019 paper's key, which surah throws light on the Day of Judgement?

- A. Surah Yousaf
- B. Surah Al-Kahaf ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Surah Younas
- D. Surah Hood

Why this answer? Surah Al-Kahaf discusses resurrection and the Day of Judgement among its themes and is the paper's keyed answer.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q55 (surah on the Day of Judgement — Surah Al-Kahaf, as keyed)

Question 52 Islamiat

Which Sahabi, one of the Ashra Mubashara, served as the third Pious Caliph of Islam?

- A. Hazrat Umar (RA)
- B. Hazrat Abu Bakr (RA)
- C. Hazrat Ali (RA)
- D. Hazrat Usman (RA) ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Hazrat Usman (RA), one of the Ashra Mubashara, was the third Pious

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q56 (third Pious Caliph — Hazrat Usman (RA))

Question 53 Islamiat

What is regarded as the greatest miracle of the Holy Prophet (PBUH)?

- A. The state of Madinah
- B. The Holy Quran ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Conquest of Makkah
- D. Conquest of Khyber

Why this answer? The Holy Quran is regarded as the Prophet's greatest and everlasting miracle.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q57 (greatest miracle of the Holy Prophet (PBUH) — the Holy Quran)

Question 54 Islamiat

Whose name occurs most often in the Holy Quran among the Prophets?

- A. Hazrat Adam (AS)
- B. Hazrat Musa (AS) ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Hazrat Isa (AS)
- D. Hazrat Younas (AS)

Why this answer? Hazrat Musa (AS) is mentioned by name 136 times in the Quran, more than any other prophet.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q58 (Prophet mentioned most in the Quran — Hazrat Musa (AS))

55 Islamiat

Which Prophet is called "Sahib-al-Hoot" in the Holy Quran?

- A. Hazrat Younas (AS) ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Hazrat Yahya (AS)
- C. Hazrat Daood (AS)
- D. Hazrat Isa (AS)

Why this answer? Hazrat Younas (AS) is called Sahib-al-Hoot (the Companion of the Fish) and also Dhun-Nun, because he was swallowed by the fish.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q59 (Sahib-al-Hoot — Hazrat Younas (AS))

Question 56 Islamiat

What does "Taufiqee Tarteeb" (tauqifi tarteeb) mean?

- A. The order in respect of revelation
- B. The order of the Holy Quran in respect of the Makki and Madni Surahs
- C. The order of Holy Quran given by the Holy Prophet (PBUH) ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. The order of Holy Quran according to the reception by Zaid Bin Haritn (RA)

Why this answer? Tauqifi tarteeb is the arrangement of the Quran as ordered by the Holy Prophet (PBUH) himself, so it cannot be changed.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q60 (Taufiqee Tarteeb — order given by the Holy Prophet (PBUH))

Question 57 Islamiat

What is the meaning of "Al-Zikr", one of the names of the Holy Quran?

- A. Source of a lesson
- B. The best book

book which reminds ✓ **Predicted answer**

- D. The book which explains instruction

Why this answer? Al-Zikr (adh-Dhikr) means "the Reminder", the book that reminds people of Allah.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q61 (Al-Zikr — the book which reminds)

Question 58 Mathematics

For the 3 by 3 matrix with rows (0, 0, 1), (0, 1, 2) and (0, 0, 1), what is its characteristic polynomial?

- A. $t^2(t - 1)$
- B. $2t^2 - t$
- C. None of these
- D. $t(t - 1)^2$ ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? The matrix is upper triangular with diagonal entries 0, 1, 1, so its eigenvalues are 0, 1 and 1; the characteristic polynomial is $(t - 0)(t - 1)(t - 1) = t(t - 1)^2$.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q62 (characteristic polynomial — $t(t - 1)^2$)

Question 59 Mathematics

For t between 0 and π, the matrix [[cos t, −sin t], [sin t, cos t]] has distinct complex eigenvalues λ1 and λ2. For which value of t in this range does λ1 + λ2 equal 1?

- A. π/6
- B. π/3 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. π/4
- D. π/2

Answer: The sum of the eigenvalues equals the trace, 2 cos t; setting 2 cos t = 1 gives cos t = 1/2, so t = π/3 in the range 0 to π.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q63 (λ1 + λ2 = 1 — t = π/3)

Question 60 Mathematics

If the angles of a triangle are in the ratio 2:3:7, what kind of triangle is it?

- A. Obtuse ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Right
- C. Acute
- D. Equilateral

Why this answer? The angles are in ratio 2:3:7, so with 2x + 3x + 7x = 180°, x = 15° and the angles are 30°, 45° and 105°; the 105° angle makes it obtuse.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q64 (angles 2:3:7 — obtuse triangle)

Question 61 Mathematics

What kind of set is every subset of a finite set?

- A. Infinite
- B. Finite ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Real
- D. None of these

Why this answer? A subset of a finite set has at most as many members as the set, so it is finite.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q65 (subset of a finite set — finite)

62 Mathematics

What kind of set must every superset of an infinite set be?

- A. Super-set
- B. Finite set
- C. None of these
- D. Infinite set ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? A superset contains all the members of the infinite set plus possibly more, so it must also be infinite.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q66 (superset of an infinite set — infinite set)

Question 63 Mathematics

What is 0.2% written as a decimal?

- A. 0.02
- B. 0.002 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. 0.0002
- D. 0.0000x

Why this answer? 0.2% means 0.2 divided by 100, which is 0.002.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q67 (0.2% as a decimal — 0.002)

Question 64 Mathematics

How many centimetres are there in one metre?

- A. 200 cm
- B. 100 cm ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. 500 cm

Why this answer? One metre equals 100 centimetres by definition.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q68 (one metre — 100 cm)

Question 65 Mathematics

A shop's value rises from Rs 414,000 to Rs 438,000 over three years. What was the average percentage increase per year in that time?

- A. 4%
- B. 2% ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. 7%
- D. 21%

Why this answer? The total increase is Rs 24,000 over three years, i.e. Rs 8,000 a year on Rs 414,000, about 1.93%, which rounds to 2% a year.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q69 (average yearly increase — 2%)

Question 66 Mathematics

A man is 5 years older than his wife, who is ten times as old as her daughter. The daughter will be 8 years old in three years. How old is the man?

- A. 45 years
- B. 60 years
- C. 55 years ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. 65 years

Why this answer? The daughter will be 8 in three years, so she is 5 now; the wife is ten times 5, i.e. 50; the man is 5 years older than his wife, i.e. 55.

ed [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q70 (age of the man — 55 years)

Question 67 Mathematics

If 40% of women are voters and 52% of the population are women, what percentage of the population are women voters?

- A. 8.1%
- B. 20.8% ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. 26.8%
- D. 38.2%

Why this answer? 40% of 52% equals 0.40 × 0.52 = 0.208, i.e. 20.8% of the whole population.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q71 (women voters as a share of the population — 20.8%)

Question 68 General Knowledge

Freetown is the capital of which country?

- A. Senegal
- B. Guinea
- C. Liberia
- D. Sierra Leone ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Freetown is the capital and largest city of Sierra Leone, on its Atlantic coast.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q1 (Freetown — capital of Sierra Leone)

69 General Knowledge

Which of these countries does NOT share a border with Syria?

- A. Iran ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Iraq
- C. Turkey
- D. Israel

Why this answer? Iran does not share a border with Syria; Iraq and Turkey lie between them.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q2 (no boundary with Syria — Iran)

Question 70 General Knowledge

In which year was the first Nobel Prize in Economics awarded?

- A. 1901
- B. 1969 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. 1945
- D. 1968

Why this answer? The first Nobel Prize in Economic Sciences was awarded in 1969, to Ragnar Frisch and Jan Tinbergen.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q5 (first Nobel Prize in Economics — 1969)

Question 71 General Knowledge

Which day is observed every year on 22 April?

- A. World Scout Day
- B. World Water Day

- D. World Earth Day ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Earth Day is observed every year on 22 April.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q6 (22 April — World Earth Day)

Question 72 General Knowledge

On which date was the Monroe Doctrine announced by President James Monroe?

- A. 2 December, 1823 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. 4 April, 1829
- C. 16 December, 1845
- D. 2 June 1869

Why this answer? President James Monroe announced the Monroe Doctrine in his annual message to Congress on 2 December 1823.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q7 (Monroe Doctrine — 2 December, 1823)

Question 73 General Knowledge

Which British prime minister served two separate terms, first in 1868 and again from 1874 to 1880?

- A. Benjamin Disraeli ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Lord Attlee
- C. Winston Churchill
- D. Margaret Thatcher

Why this answer? Disraeli served twice, in 1868 and again from 1874 to 1880; this is the paper's keyed answer.

ed [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q8 (prime minister on two occasions — Benjamin Disraeli)

Question 74 General Knowledge

Which country is personified by the nickname "Uncle Sam"?

- A. U.S.A ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. England
- C. Australia
- D. Germany

Why this answer? Uncle Sam is the long-standing nickname and personification of the United States of America.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q9 (Uncle Sam — U.S.A)

Question 75 General Knowledge

Which of these cities stands on the bank of the River Euphrates?

- A. Bassra
- B. Mosal
- C. Karbalah ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Damascus

Why this answer? Karbala in Iraq stands on the bank of the Euphrates.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q11 (city on the Euphrates — Karbalah)

Question 76 Agriculture

What is it called when the soil surface is covered with the residue of a crop?

ching ✓ **Predicted answer**

- B. Nitrogen fixation
- C. Sheet erosion
- D. Tillage

Why this answer? Mulching is covering the soil surface with crop residue or other material to conserve moisture and check weeds.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q32 (covering soil with crop residue — mulching)

Question 77 Agriculture

Bhagnari is a breed of which animal?

- A. Cow ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Buffalo
- C. Sheep
- D. Poultry

Why this answer? Bhagnari is a draught breed of cattle (cow) from the Bhag area of Balochistan.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q33 (Bhagnari — cow breed)

Question 78 Agriculture

What does afforestation mean?

- A. Forest Research Station
- B. Utilization of forest products
- C. None of these
- D. To convert land into forest ✓ **Predicted answer**

swer? Afforestation is the planting of trees on land that was not forest before, turning it into forest.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q34 (afforestation — to convert land into forest)

Question 79 Agriculture

On which law does population genetics rest?

- A. Principles of population control
- B. Mendel's Law
- C. Hardy Weinberg's law ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Genotype-environment inter action

Why this answer? Population genetics rests on the Hardy-Weinberg principle, which describes how gene frequencies stay constant in a population unless acted on by evolutionary forces.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q35 (population genetics — Hardy Weinberg's law)

Question 80 Agriculture

Inqalab-91 is a variety of which crop?

- A. Rice
- B. Cotton
- C. Sugarcane
- D. Wheat ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Inqalab-91 is a well-known high-yielding wheat variety released in Pakistan.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q36

— wheat variety)

Question 81 Agriculture

Gypsum is a rich source of which two nutrients?

- A. Calcium + Sulphur ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Calcium + Zinc
- C. Potassium + Nitrogen
- D. None of these

Why this answer? Gypsum is calcium sulphate (CaSO4), so it supplies both calcium and sulphur to the soil.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q39 (gypsum — calcium + sulphur)

Question 82 Agriculture

Where is the headquarters of the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)?

- A. London
- B. New York
- C. Rome ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Geneva

Why this answer? The Food and Agriculture Organization is headquartered in Rome, Italy.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q40 (FAO headquarters — Rome; "None of these" was keyed because Rome was not among the printed options)

83 Agriculture

What is the main benefit of organic matter in the soil?

- A. Improving soil structure ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Improving soil texture
- C. Weed control
- D. Building up of organic compounds in crops

Why this answer? Organic matter binds soil particles into aggregates, improving structure, aeration and water holding.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q41 (organic matter in soil — improving soil structure)

Question 84 Agriculture

Which of these crops is sown in the rabi season in Pakistan?

- A. Wheat ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Rice
- C. Cotton
- D. Maize

Why this answer? Wheat is the main rabi crop of Pakistan, sown in winter and harvested in spring; rice, cotton and maize are kharif crops.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — Agriculture: the rabi and kharif cropping seasons recur in every sitting of this post.

Question 85 Current Affairs

What was the theme of the 2019 World Day of Social Justice, observed on 20 February 2019?

- A. Preventing conflict and sustaining peace through decent work

ou Want Peace & Development, Work for Social Justice ✓ **Predicted answer**

- C. Promote global justice & poverty eradication
- D. None of these

Why this answer? This was the United Nations theme for World Day of Social Justice 2019.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q4 (2019 World Day of Social Justice theme)

Question 86 Current Affairs

Who took over as Director-General ISPR on 15 December 2016?

- A. Lt General Asim Saleem Bajwa
- B. Major General Athar Abbas
- C. Major General Waheed Arshad
- D. Major General Asif Ghafoor ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Asif Ghafoor took over as Director-General ISPR on 15 December 2016.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q44 (new DG ISPR, 15 December 2016 — Major General Asif Ghafoor)

Question 87 Current Affairs

The United States agreed to provide funds to WAPDA for the construction of which dam project?

- A. Kurram Tangi Dam Project ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Dia Mir Bahasha Dam Project
- C. Kala Bagh Dam Project
- D. Mirani Dam Project

Why this answer? The United States agreed to fund WAPDA for the Kurram Tangi Dam Project in North Waziristan.

ed [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q45 (US funds to WAPDA — Kurram Tangi Dam Project)

Question 88 Current Affairs

Which special task force did the Pakistan Navy raise in December 2016 to safeguard CPEC and Gwadar port?

- A. Task Force 21
- B. Task Force 44
- C. Task Force 2
- D. Task Force 88 ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? The Pakistan Navy raised Task Force-88 in December 2016 to protect CPEC sea routes and Gwadar port.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q47 (Navy task force for CPEC, December 2016 — Task Force 88)

Question 89 Current Affairs

Who was the first President of the Palestinian Authority?

- A. Mahmood Abbas
- B. Sheikh Ahmed Yasin
- C. Abdul Aziz Al-Rantisi
- D. Yasir Arafat ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Yasser Arafat was the first President of the Palestinian Authority, from 1994 until his death in 2004.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q48 (first President of the Palestinian Authority — Yasir Arafat)

90 Current Affairs

In which city is the headquarters of APEC (Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation) located?

- A. South Korea
- B. Japan
- C. Taiwan
- D. Singapore ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? The APEC Secretariat has been based in Singapore since 1989.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q49 (APEC headquarters — Singapore)

Question 91 Current Affairs

In which city was the Arab League formed?

- A. Rabat
- B. Damascus
- C. Cairo ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Baghdad

Why this answer? The Arab League was formed in Cairo, Egypt, on 22 March 1945, and its headquarters is in Cairo.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q50 (Arab League formed — Cairo)

Question 92 Urdu

علامہ اقبال کی مشہور نظم ''شکوہ'' ان کے کس مجموعہ کلام میں شامل ہے؟

A. ارمغان حجاز

B. بال جبریل

Predicted answer ✓ D. بانگ درا

Why this answer? شکوہ اقبال کے پہلے مجموعہ کلام بانگ درا میں شامل ہے۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q97 (شکوہ — بانگ درا)

Question 93 Urdu

''ڈوبتے کو تنکے کا سہارا'' قواعد کی رو سے کیا ہے؟

Predicted answer ✓ A. محاورہ

B. قول

C. کہاوت

D. ضرب المثل

Why this answer? ''ڈوبتے کو تنکے کا سہارا'' قواعد کی رو سے محاورہ ہے۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q98 (ڈوبتے کو تنکے کا سہارا — محاورہ)

Question 94 Urdu

پطرس بخاری کس وجہ سے مشہور ہیں؟

Predicted answer ✓ A. مزاح نگاری

B. ناول نگاری

C. افسانہ نگاری

D. شاعری

Why this answer? پطرس بخاری اپنی مزاح نگاری کی وجہ

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q99 (پطرس بخاری — مزاح نگاری)

Question 95 Urdu

''مسابقت'' کے کیا معنی ہیں؟

- A. سختی
- B. کمی بیشی
- C. مقابلہ
- D. برابری ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? مسابقت کا مطلب برابری ہے، یعنی کسی کے برابر ہونا۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q100 (مسابقت — برابری)

Question 96 Urdu

مندرجہ ذیل میں سے کون سی ضرب المثل ہے؟

- A. عید کا چاند ہونا
- B. پانی میں آگ لگانا
- C. بوڑھی گھوڑی لال لگام ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. اپنے منہ میاں مٹھو بننا

Why this answer? ''بوڑھی گھوڑی لال لگام'' ایک ضرب المثل ہے جو بڑھاپے میں بناؤ سنگھار پر طنز کے طور پر بولی جاتی ہے۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q101 (

Question 97 Computer Studies

In a computer system, what is the word "BOOT" used for?

- A. To exit opened software
- B. To start up a software
- C. To shutdown system
- D. To start a computer ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Booting is the process of starting a computer and loading its operating system.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q92 (BOOT — to start a computer)

Question 98 Computer Studies

How much data can a normal CD-ROM usually store?

- A. 680 GB
- B. 680 KB
- C. 680 MB ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. 680 Bytes

Why this answer? A standard CD-ROM holds about 650–700 MB, so 680 MB is the realistic figure.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q93 (CD-ROM capacity — 680 MB)

Question 99 Computer Studies

Who is the owner of the Microsoft computer company, as keyed in the 2019 paper?

Clinton

- B. Dick Cheney
- C. Bill Gates ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. None of above

Why this answer? Bill Gates co-founded Microsoft and was its owner and chief, so he is the intended answer.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q94 (owner of Microsoft — Bill Gates)

Question 100 Geography

What are lines joining places of equal atmospheric pressure called?

- A. Isopleths
- B. Isotherms
- C. Isobars ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. None of these

Why this answer? Isobars are lines on a weather map joining places of equal atmospheric pressure.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-field-assistant-2019 Q96 (lines of equal pressure — isobars)

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