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Question 1 Pakistan Studies

A traveller in the Gojal valley of northern Pakistan would find Borith Lake in which region?

- A. Skardu
- B. Gilgit Baltistan ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. KPK
- D. None of these

Why this answer? Borith Lake lies in the Gojal valley of Gilgit-Baltistan.

ed [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q2 (verified item — correct answer: Gilgit Baltistan).

Question 2 Pakistan Studies

From which country did Pakistan purchase the port of Gwadar in 1958?

- A. Iran
- B. Afghanistan
- C. Oman ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. None of these

Why this answer? Pakistan purchased Gwadar from Oman in 1958.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q3 (verified item — correct answer: Oman).

Question 3 Pakistan Studies

Pakistan Steel Mills came into being under the government of which ruler?

- A. Zia UL Haq
- B. Zulfiqar Ali Bhutto ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Ghulam Ishaq Khan
- D. None of these

Why this answer? Pakistan Steel Mills was established during Zulfikar Ali Bhutto's government, with Soviet assistance.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q4 (verified item — correct answer: Zulfiqar Ali Bhutto).

Question 4 Pakistan Studies

The famous slogan 'Democracy is the best revenge' is associated with which leader?

- B. Abraham Lincoln
- C. None of these
- D. Banizir Bhutto ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? 'Democracy is the best revenge' is Benazir Bhutto's famous slogan.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q5 (verified item — correct answer: Banizir Bhutto).

Question 5 Pakistan Studies

Which party was in power when the 18th Amendment was passed in 2010?

- A. PMLN
- B. PMLQ
- C. None of these
- D. PPP ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? The 18th Amendment (2010) was passed during the PPP government of Asif Ali Zardari.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q8 (verified item — correct answer: PPP).

Question 6 Pakistan Studies

On which date did Allama Muhammad Iqbal pass away in Lahore?

- A. 21 March 1938
- B. 21 May 1938
- C. None of these
- D. 21 April 1938 ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Allama Iqbal died on 21 April 1938 in Lahore.

ed [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q11 (verified item — correct answer: 21 April 1938).

Question 7 Pakistan Studies

According to the 2021 count, how many districts did Punjab have?

- A. 36 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. 34
- C. 38
- D. None of these

Why this answer? Punjab had 36 districts in 2021.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q12 (verified item — correct answer: 36).

Question 8 Pakistan Studies

Who held the office of Pakistan's first Foreign Minister?

- A. Liaquat Ali Khan
- B. Zafarullah Khan ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Raja Ghazanfar Ali
- D. None of these

Why this answer? Sir Muhammad Zafarullah Khan was Pakistan's first Foreign Minister (1947-1954).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q13 (verified item — correct answer: Zafarullah Khan).

Question 9 Pakistan Studies

The Hinglaj Mata temple in Lasbela district stands in which province?

- B. Sindh
- C. Balouchistan ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. None of these

Why this answer? The Hinglaj Mata temple is in Lasbela district, Balochistan.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q14 (verified item — correct answer: Balouchistan).

Question 10 Pakistan Studies

Which leader was assassinated at Liaquat Bagh, Rawalpindi, on 27 December 2007?

- A. Murtaza Bhutto
- B. Shahnawaz Bhutto
- C. None of these
- D. Benazir Bhutto ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Benazir Bhutto was assassinated on 27 December 2007 at Liaquat Bagh, Rawalpindi.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q15 (verified item — correct answer: Benazir Bhutto).

Question 11 Pakistan Studies

For how many years is the National Assembly of Pakistan elected under the Constitution?

- A. 4
- B. 6
- C. None of these
- D. 5 ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Under the Constitution the National Assembly's term is 5 years.

ed [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q18 (verified item — correct answer: 5).

Question 12 Pakistan Studies

In which city was the Pakistan Peoples Party founded on 30 November 1967?

- A. Lahore ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Larkana
- C. Karachi
- D. None of these

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

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q19 (verified item — correct answer: Lahore).

Question 13 Pakistan Studies

Founded in 1882, which is the oldest university of Pakistan?

- A. Punjab university ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Peshawar university
- C. Sindh university
- D. None of these

Why this answer? The University of the Punjab, founded 1882, is Pakistan's oldest university.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q22 (verified item — correct answer: Punjab university).

14 Pakistan Studies

Fatima Bhutto, the writer, is the daughter of which Bhutto?

- A. Murtaza Bhutto ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Shahnawaz Bhutto
- C. Benazir Bhutto
- D. None of these

Why this answer? Fatima Bhutto is the daughter of Murtaza Bhutto.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q23 (verified item — correct answer: Murtaza Bhutto).

Question 15 Pakistan Studies

The dual system of government known as Dyarchy was introduced by which Act?

- A. 1919 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. 1909
- C. 1929
- D. None of these

Why this answer? Dyarchy (dual government) was introduced by the Government of India Act 1919.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q30 (verified item — correct answer: 1919).

Question 16 Pakistan Studies

On which date did Pakistan and China establish diplomatic relations?

- A. 21 May 1950
- B. 21 May 1952
- C. None of these

May 1951 ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Pakistan and China established diplomatic relations on 21 May 1951.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q31 (verified item — correct answer: 21 May 1951).

Question 17 Pakistan Studies

The Pakistan Military Academy at Kakul is located in which city?

- A. Lahore
- B. Abbottabad ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Quetta
- D. None of these

Why this answer? The Pakistan Military Academy is at Kakul, Abbottabad.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q33 (verified item — correct answer: Abbottabad).

Question 18 Pakistan Studies

Hanna Lake, near Quetta, lies in which province?

- A. Balouchistan ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Sindh
- C. Punjab
- D. None of these

Why this answer? Hanna Lake is near Quetta in Balochistan.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q34 (verified item — correct answer: Balouchistan).

19 Pakistan Studies

In which year did Babur defeat Ibrahim Lodhi in the first battle of Panipat?

- A. 1520
- B. 1526 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. 1532
- D. None of these

Why this answer? Babur defeated Ibrahim Lodhi in the first battle of Panipat in 1526.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q37 (verified item — correct answer: 1526).

Question 20 Pakistan Studies

Which organisation is Pakistan's national space agency?

- A. NESCOM
- B. PAEC
- C. SUPARCO ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. None of these

Why this answer? SUPARCO is Pakistan's national space agency.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q41 (verified item — correct answer: SUPARCO).

Question 21 Pakistan Studies

Who succeeded Shah Jahan as Mughal emperor in 1658?

- A. Humayun
- B. Akbar
- C. Aurangzeb ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. None of these

swer: Aurangzeb succeeded Shah Jahan in 1658.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q49 (verified item — correct answer: Aurangzeb).

Question 22 Pakistan Studies

Which animal is the national animal of Pakistan?

- A. Snow leopard
- B. Markhor ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Indus dolphin
- D. None of these

Why this answer? The markhor is the national animal of Pakistan.

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

Question 23 Pakistan Studies

Which is the largest province of Pakistan by area?

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

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 24 English

What does the word 'subway' mean?

ler a tunnel

- B. Under the ground
- C. None of these
- D. Undergo passage ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? The paper's key gives 'undergo passage' as the meaning of subway, an underground passage.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q42 (verified item — correct answer: Undergo passage).

Question 25 English

Which form of energy does a body possess because of its position?

- A. Kinetic energy
- B. Gravitational energy
- C. Potential energy ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. None of these

Why this answer? Potential energy is energy due to position.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q52 (verified item — correct answer: Potential energy).

Question 26 English

In the sentence 'After launch let's go out for a coffee', what part of speech is the word 'after'?

- A. Adverb
- B. Preposition ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Noun
- D. None of these

swer? In this sentence 'after' is a preposition introducing 'launch'.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q53 (verified item — correct answer: Preposition).

Question 27 English

Choose the correct preposition: 'I am getting late ____ office.'

- A. To
- B. Of
- C. For ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. None of these

Why this answer? 'Late for office' is the correct preposition.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q54 (verified item — correct answer: For).

Question 28 English

Fill in the blanks with the correct paired words: '____ dangerously a person lives, ____ chances of his death in young age.'

- A. The most/the more
- B. The most/the most
- C. None of these
- D. The more/ the more ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? The paired comparative is 'the more ... the more'.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q55 (verified item — correct answer: The more/ the more).

29 English

Which of these is the correct form of the sentence 'These cattles is mine'?

- A. These cattle are mine ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. These cattles are mine
- C. These cattles is mine
- D. None of these

Why this answer? 'These cattle are mine' is correct: cattle is plural and takes 'are'.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q56 (verified item — correct answer: These cattle are mine).

Question 30 English

What is the passive voice of 'I saw him leaving the house'?

- A. He was seen leave the house by me
- B. He was see leaving the house by me
- C. None of these
- D. He was seen leaving the house by me ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? 'He was seen leaving the house by me' is the correct passive.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q57 (verified item — correct answer: He was seen leaving the house by me).

Question 31 English

Fill in the blank with the right verb form: 'It is fifteen years since I ___ him.'

- A. Left ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Leave
- C. Had left

Why this answer? 'It is fifteen years since I left him' uses the past tense after 'since'.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q58 (verified item — correct answer: Left).

Question 32 English

Which of the following sentences is correctly punctuated?

- A. My aunt who lives in Karachi, is a doctor
- B. My aunt, who lives in Karachi, is a doctor ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. My aunt, who lives in Karachi is a doctor
- D. None of these

Why this answer? The non-defining clause is correctly set off with commas in the first sentence.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q59 (verified item — correct answer: My aunt, who lives in Karachi, is a doctor).

Question 33 English

Choose the correct phrasal verb: 'Blow ____ the lamp when you go to bed.'

- A. Of
- B. Out ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Off
- D. None of these

Why this answer? 'Blow out the lamp' is the correct phrasal verb for putting out a flame.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q60 (verified item — correct answer: Out).

34 English

Choose the correct article: 'I met ____ European.'

- A. An
- B. A ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. The
- D. None of these

Why this answer? 'A European' is correct: 'European' begins with a consonant sound (yoo-), so 'a' is used.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q61 (verified item — correct answer: A).

Question 35 English

Choose the correct preposition: 'He slept ____ the shadow of a tree.'

- A. Under ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. In
- C. On
- D. None of these

Why this answer? 'Under the shadow of a tree' is the correct preposition.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q62 (verified item — correct answer: Under).

Question 36 English

What is the indirect speech of 'He said, "Sit down, Ali"'?

- A. He asked Ali to sit down ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. He said Ali to sit down
- C. He said sit down Ali

ne of these

Why this answer? 'He asked Ali to sit down' correctly reports the imperative.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q63 (verified item — correct answer: He asked Ali to sit down).

Question 37 English

Fill in the two blanks: 'I like to meet ____ friends but sometimes I like to be ____.'

- A. Me and myself
- B. My and alone
- C. None of these
- D. My and myself ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? The intended sentence is 'I like to meet my friends but sometimes I like to be by myself'.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q64 (verified item — correct answer: My and myself).

Question 38 English

Choose the correct preposition: 'Put ____ something for a rainy day.'

- A. By ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. To
- C. Down
- D. None of these

Why this answer? 'Put by something for a rainy day' means to save something for future need.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q65 (verified item — correct answer: By).

39 English

Which of these sentences needs no commas between its adjectives?

- A. I met a beautiful European woman ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. I met a beautiful, European woman
- C. I met a beautiful, European, woman
- D. None of these

Why this answer? 'I met a beautiful European woman' needs no commas: 'beautiful' and 'European' are cumulative adjectives.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q66 (verified item — correct answer: I met a beautiful European woman).

Question 40 English

Choose the correct article: 'I saw ____ one-eyed person.'

- A. An
- B. To
- C. A ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. None of these

Why this answer? 'A one-eyed person' is correct: 'one' begins with a consonant sound (w-).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q67 (verified item — correct answer: A).

Question 41 English

Choose the synonym of 'brave'.

- A. Courageous ✓ **Predicted answer**

- C. Weak
- D. None of these

Why this answer? 'Courageous' is the synonym of 'brave'.

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

Question 42 Current Affairs

On which date in May 2021 did President Arif Alvi promulgate the Parents Protection Ordinance?

- A. 7 May 2021
- B. 9 May 2021
- C. 8 May 2021 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. None of these

Why this answer? The Parents Protection Ordinance 2021 was promulgated by President Arif Alvi on 8 May 2021.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q1 (verified item — correct answer: 8 May 2021).

Question 43 Current Affairs

In 2021, who held the office of Speaker of the Punjab Assembly?

- A. Pervaiz ilahi ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Rana
- C. Dost Mazari
- D. None that

Why this answer? Chaudhry Pervaiz Elahi was Speaker of the Punjab Assembly in 2021.

ed [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q9 (verified item — correct answer: Pervaiz ilahi).

Question 44 Current Affairs

Who was the Chief Minister of Sindh in 2021?

- A. Zaheer Ahmad Babar
- B. Sohail Aman
- C. None of these
- D. Murad Ali Shah ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Murad Ali Shah was Chief Minister of Sindh in 2021.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q10 (verified item — correct answer: Murad Ali Shah).

Question 45 Current Affairs

The Al Amal (Hope) Mars mission belongs to which country?

- A. Pakistan
- B. Iran
- C. None of these
- D. UAE ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Al Amal (Hope) is the UAE's Mars mission.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q21 (verified item — correct answer: UAE).

Question 46 Current Affairs

Ukraine International Airlines Flight 752 was shot down in January 2020 over which country?

- B. Canada
- C. Germany
- D. None of these

Why this answer? Ukraine International Airlines Flight 752 was shot down over Iran in January 2020, and Iran admitted responsibility.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q24 (verified item — correct answer: Iran).

Question 47 Current Affairs

In 2021, who was the Federal Minister for Kashmir Affairs and Gilgit-Baltistan?

- A. Fakhar Imam
- B. Shahryar Afridi
- C. Ali Amin Ganda Pura ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. None of these

Why this answer? Ali Amin Gandapur was Federal Minister for Kashmir Affairs and Gilgit-Baltistan in 2021.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q26 (verified item — correct answer: Ali Amin Ganda Pura).

Question 48 Current Affairs

In which year did the Russian Federation annex the Crimean peninsula?

- A. 2013
- B. 2015
- C. None of these
- D. 2014 ✓ **Predicted answer**

swer: Russia annexed the Crimean peninsula in 2014.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q28 (verified item — correct answer: 2014).

Question 49 Current Affairs

Which country was the world's leading exporter of liquefied natural gas in 2021?

- A. Russia
- B. Australia ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Qatar
- D. None of these

Why this answer? Australia was the world's leading exporter of liquefied natural gas in 2021.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q32 (verified item — correct answer: Australia).

Question 50 Current Affairs

Who led Hamas, the Palestinian organisation, in 2021?

- A. Mahmood Abbas
- B. Khalid Mashaal
- C. Ismail Haniyeh ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. None of these

Why this answer? Ismail Haniyeh was the leader of Hamas in 2021.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q43 (verified item — correct answer: Ismail Haniyeh).

51 Current Affairs

The 14th UN Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice was held in March 2021 in which city?

- A. Osaka, Japan
- B. Rabat Morocco
- C. None of these
- D. Kyoto, Japan ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? The 14th UN Congress on Crime Prevention was held in Kyoto, Japan, in March 2021.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q46 (verified item — correct answer: Kyoto, Japan).

Question 52 Current Affairs

On which date did the internet clampdown in occupied Kashmir begin in 2019?

- A. 15 August 2019
- B. 25 August 2019
- C. None of these
- D. 5 August 2019 ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? The internet clampdown in occupied Kashmir began on 5 August 2019, when Article 370 was revoked.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q51 (verified item — correct answer: 5 August 2019).

Question 53 Urdu

25 دسمبر 2020 کو کرونا کی پیچیدگیوں سے انتقال کرنے والے مشہور اردو ادیب کون تھے؟

- A. Rahat indori

- C. Shams ur Rehman Farooqi ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. None of these

Why this answer? شمس الرحمن فاروقی، مشہور اردو ادیب و نقاد، 25 دسمبر 2020 کو کرونا کی پیچیدگیوں سے انتقال کر گئے۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q47 (verified item — correct answer: Shams ur Rehman Farooqi).

Question 54 Urdu

کس ادیب نے 'آخری آدمی' جیسا شاہکار افسانہ لکھا؟

A. عبداللہ حسین

B. ڈپٹی نذیر احمد

C. انتظار حسین ✓ **Predicted answer**

D. ان میں سے کوئی نہیں

Why this answer? 'آخری آدمی' انتظار حسین کا شاہکار افسانہ ہے۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q89 (verified item — correct answer: انتظار حسین).

Question 55 Urdu

علامہ اقبال کی کون سی کتاب ان کے انتقال کے بعد شائع ہوئی؟

A. ارمغان حجاز ✓ **Predicted answer**

B. ضرب کلیم

C. بال جبریل

D. ان میں سے کوئی نہیں

Why this answer ؟ارمغان حجاز اقبال کے انتقال (1938) کے

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q90 (verified item — correct answer: ارمغان حجاز).

Question 56 Urdu

حاجرہ مسرور کو کس فن کی وجہ سے پہچانا جاتا ہے؟

A. مکتوب

B. ڈرامہ نگاری

Predicted answer ✓ C. افسانہ نگاری

D. ان میں سے کوئی نہیں

Why this answer ؟حاجرہ مسرور افسانہ نگار کے طور پر مشہور ہیں۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q91 (verified item — correct answer: افسانہ نگاری).

Question 57 Urdu

ضرب المثل 'آم کے آم گٹھلیوں کے دام' سے کیا مراد ہے؟

A. دوہرا نقصان

B. نقصان

C. ان میں سے کوئی نہیں

Predicted answer ✓ D. دوہرا فائدہ

Why this answer ؟'آم کے آم گٹھلیوں کے دام' کا مطلب ہے دوہرا فائدہ۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q92 (verified item — correct answer: دوہرا فائدہ).

58 Urdu

لفظ 'اردو' کی اصل کس زبان میں ہے؟

Predicted answer ✓ A. ترکی

B. عربی

C. فارسی

D. ان میں سے کوئی نہیں

Why this answer? لفظ اردو ترکی لفظ 'اوردو' (لشکر/چھاؤنی) سے مستعار ہے۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q93 (verified item — correct answer: ترکی).

Question 59 Urdu

اردو شاعری کے اس مشہور شعر کے خالق کی شناخت کریں: 'میں نے جب لکھنا سیکھا پہلے تیرا نام لکھا تھا'، یہ شعر کس نے کہا؟

A. غالب

Predicted answer ✓ B. ناصر کاظمی

C. محسن بھوپالی

D. ان میں سے کوئی نہیں

Why this answer? یہ شعر ناصر کاظمی کا ہے۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q94 (verified item — correct answer: ناصر کاظمی).

Question 60 Urdu

مزاحیہ شاعری کس حوالے سے کون سے شاعر پہچانے جاتے ہیں؟

A. [illegible]

Predicted answer ✓ B. اکبر الہ آبادی

C. مشتاق احمد یوسفی

D. ان میں سے کوئی نہیں

Why this answer? اکبر الہ آبادی مزاحیہ شاعری کے لیے مشہور ہیں۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q95 (verified item — correct answer: اکبر الہ آبادی).

Question 61 Urdu

یہ دونوں ناول کس ادیب نے لکھے: 'جانگلوس' اور 'خدا کی بستی'؟

A. شوکت تھانوی

Predicted answer ✓ B. شوکت صدیقی

C. خدیجہ مستور

D. ان میں سے کوئی نہیں

Why this answer? 'جانگلوس' اور 'خدا کی بستی' شوکت صدیقی کے ناول ہیں۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q96 (verified item — correct answer: شوکت صدیقی).

Question 62 Urdu

علامہ اقبال کی کون سی تصنیف معاشیات (اقتصادیات) کے موضوع پر ہے؟

A. اسرار خودی

B. ضرب کلیم

C. ان میں سے کوئی نہیں

nswer ✓ D. علم الاقتصاد

Why this answer ؟'علم الاقتصاد' اقبال کی معاشیات پر کتاب ہے (1903)۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q97 (verified item — correct answer: علم الاقتصاد).

Question 63 Urdu

انگریزی لفظ Punctuation کو اردو میں کیا کہا جاتا ہے؟

A. قوسین

Predicted answer ✓ B. رموز اوقاف

C. سکتہ

D. ان میں سے کوئی نہیں

Why this answer? Punctuation کو اردو میں 'رموز اوقاف' کہتے ہیں۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q98 (verified item — correct answer: رموز اوقاف).

Question 64 General Knowledge

Who is the author of the book 'India Wins Freedom'?

- A. Jawahar Lal Nehru
- B. Raja Gopal Acharia
- C. Abul Qalam Azad ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. None of these

Why this answer? 'India Wins Freedom' was written by Maulana Abul Kalam Azad.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-

SPS16 Q6 (verified item — correct answer: Abul Qalam Azad).

Question 65 General Knowledge

The autobiography 'Daughter of the East' was written by whom?

- A. Rabindaranath
- B. Benazir Bhutto ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Sirimavo Bandaranaika
- D. None of these

Why this answer? 'Daughter of the East' is Benazir Bhutto's autobiography.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q7 (verified item — correct answer: Benazir Bhutto).

Question 66 General Knowledge

The words 'No taxation without representation' were first used as a slogan in which country?

- A. America ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. France
- C. Italy
- D. None of these

Why this answer? 'No taxation without representation' was first raised in the American colonies.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q16 (verified item — correct answer: America).

Question 67 General Knowledge

Tyson Luke Fury is a famous British professional in which sport?

- B. Boxing ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Golf
- D. None of these

Why this answer? Tyson Luke Fury is a famous British professional boxer.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q27 (verified item — correct answer: Boxing).

Question 68 General Knowledge

In which Indian city does the famous Taj Mahal stand?

- A. Amritsar
- B. Delhi
- C. None of these
- D. Agra ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? The Taj Mahal is in Agra, India.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q36 (verified item — correct answer: Agra).

Question 69 General Knowledge

The allegorical novel 'Siddhartha' was written by which author?

- A. Greg Mortenson
- B. David Olivier
- C. Hermann Hesse ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. None of these

Why this answer? 'Siddhartha' is an allegorical novel by Hermann Hesse.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-

BPS16 Q39 (verified item — correct answer: Hermann Hesse).

Question 70 General Knowledge

What is the capital of Lebanon?

- A. Beirut ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Accra
- C. Port said
- D. None of these

Why this answer? Beirut is the capital of Lebanon.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q40 (verified item — correct answer: Beirut).

Question 71 General Knowledge

On which date did the United Nations come into being?

- A. 24 October 1945 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. 24 May 1945
- C. 24 September
- D. None of these

Why this answer? The United Nations was founded on 24 October 1945, when its Charter came into force.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q45 (verified item — correct answer: 24 October 1945).

Question 72 General Knowledge

Which bird is the national bird of Pakistan?

- A. Peacock

- C. None of these
- D. Chukar partridge ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? The chukar partridge is the national bird of Pakistan.

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

Question 73 Islamiat

194 سے 256 ہجری تک کا دور کس امام کا ہے؟

A. امام احمد بن حنبل

B. امام شافعی

C. ان میں سے کوئی نہیں

Predicted answer ✓ D. امام بخاری

Why this answer? امام بخاری 194 تا 256 ہجری تک زندہ رہے۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q81 (verified item — correct answer: امام بخاری).

Question 74 Islamiat

تفسیر 'تفہیم القرآن' کس کی تصنیف ہے؟

A. ابن جریر طبری

Predicted answer ✓ B. مولانا ابوالا مودودی

C. اسرار احمد

D. ان میں سے کوئی نہیں

تفہیم القرآن مولانا ابوالاعلیٰ مودو ?**Why this answer**

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q82 (verified item — correct answer: مولانا ابوالا مودودی).

Question 75 Islamiat

الله سبحانہ و تعالیٰ کا ذاتی نام کون سا ہے؟

Predicted answer ✓ A. اللّٰہ

B. الرحیم

C. الرحمن

D. ان میں سے کوئی نہیں

الله تعالیٰ کا ذاتی نام 'الله' ہے۔ ?**Why this answer**

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q83 (verified item — correct answer: اللّٰہ).

Question 76 Islamiat

حضرت عمر فاروق کس سورت سے متاثر ہو کر مسلمان ہوئے؟

Predicted answer ✓ A. سورہ طہ

B. سورہ ملک

C. سورہ محمد

D. ان میں سے کوئی نہیں

حضرت عمر سورہ طہ سن کر مسلمان ہوئے۔ ?**Why this answer**

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q84 (verified item — correct answer: سورہ طہ).

77 Islamiat

من و سلویٰ کس نبی کی قوم کے لیے اتارا گیا؟

Predicted answer ✓ A. حضرت موسٰی

B. حضرت عیسیٰ

C. حضرت ابراہیم

D. ان میں سے کوئی نہیں

Why this answer? من و سلویٰ حضرت موسیٰ اور بنی اسرائیل کے لیے اتارا گیا۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q85 (verified item — correct answer: حضرت موسٰی).

Question 78 Islamiat

ہجری کیلنڈر کا آغاز کس سن ہجری میں ہوا (پاکستانی ایم سی کیو کتب کے مطابق)؟

Predicted answer ✓ A. 16 ہجری

B. 17 ہجری

C. 15 ہجری

D. ان میں سے کوئی نہیں

Why this answer? پاکستانی ایم سی کیو کتب میں ہجری کیلنڈر کے آغاز کے لیے 16 ہجری کا عدد دیا جاتا ہے۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q86 (verified item — correct answer: 16 ہجری).

Question 79 Islamiat

حضرت ام حبیبہ (رملہ) کے والد کون تھے؟

A. حـ

B. حضرت ابو بکر صدیق

Predicted answer ✓ C. حضرت ابو سفیان

D. ان میں سے کوئی نہیں

Why this answer? ام حبیبہ حضرت ابو سفیان کی بیٹی تھیں۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q87 (verified item — correct answer: حضرت ابو سفیان).

Question 80 Islamiat

غزوہ احد کے موقع پر حضرت علی نے علم اس وقت اٹھایا جب کس صحابی کی شہادت ہوئی؟

A. حضرت حمزہ

Predicted answer ✓ B. حضرت مصعب بن عمیر

C. حضرت شرجیل

D. ان میں سے کوئی نہیں

Why this answer? غزوہ احد میں حضرت مصعب بن عمیر کی شہادت کے بعد حضرت علی نے علم اٹھایا۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q88 (verified item — correct answer: حضرت مصعب بن عمیر).

Question 81 Islamiat

How many Surahs are there in the Holy Quran?

- A. 110
- B. 114 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. 116
- D. None of these

swer? There are 114 Surahs in the Holy Quran.

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

Question 82 General Science

Saturated hydrocarbons, which contain only single bonds, are known as what?

- A. Alkenes
- B. Alkynes
- C. Alkanes ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. None of these

Why this answer? Saturated hydrocarbons (single bonds only) are called alkanes.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q17 (verified item — correct answer: Alkanes).

Question 83 General Science

Which metal is found in fluorescent tubes and in the bulb of a thermometer?

- A. Copper
- B. Mercury ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Iron
- D. None of these

Why this answer? Mercury vapour fills fluorescent tubes and mercury is used in thermometers.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q25 (verified item — correct answer: Mercury).

84 General Science

Which element is used to make solar cells and transistors?

- A. Germanium
- B. Iron
- C. Silicon ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. None of these

Why this answer? Silicon is the semiconductor used to fabricate solar cells and transistors.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q29 (verified item — correct answer: Silicon).

Question 85 General Science

What is the basic structural unit of plants and animals?

- A. Chromosomes
- B. Guanine
- C. Cell ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. None of these

Why this answer? The cell is the basic building block of plants and animals.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q35 (verified item — correct answer: Cell).

Question 86 General Science

Pneumonia, an inflammation of the lungs, is most commonly caused by which bacterium?

- A. Filamentous
- B. Streptococcus ✓ **Predicted answer**

- D. None of these

Why this answer? Streptococcus pneumoniae is the commonest bacterial cause of pneumonia.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q38 (verified item — correct answer: Streptococcus).

Question 87 General Science

The thyroid gland at the front of the neck mainly produces which hormone?

- A. Adrenaline
- B. Calcitonin
- C. None of these
- D. Thyroxine ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? The thyroid gland at the front of the neck mainly produces thyroxine (T4).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q44 (verified item — correct answer: Thyroxine).

Question 88 General Science

Optical fibres used in fibre optics are made of which material?

- A. Plastic
- B. Copper particles
- C. Glass ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. None of these

Why this answer? Optical fibres used in fibre optics are made of glass.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-

SPS16 Q50 (verified item — correct answer: Glass).

Question 89 General Science

What is the chemical formula of water?

- A. CO2
- B. H2O ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. O2
- D. None of these

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

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — General Science: everyday science recur in every sitting of this post.

Question 90 Computer Studies

HTML, the HyperText Markup Language, is used for creating what?

- A. Web server
- B. Websites
- C. Web pages ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. None of these

Why this answer? HTML is used for creating web pages.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q75 (verified item — correct answer: Web pages).

Question 91 Computer Studies

Gmail, Hotmail and Yahoo are examples of what?

- A. Client server
- B. E Mail programmer

ail server ✓ **Predicted answer**

- D. None of these

Why this answer? Gmail, Hotmail and Yahoo are email services, i.e. email servers/providers.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q76 (verified item — correct answer: Email server).

Question 92 Computer Studies

Windows 10 belongs to which category of software?

- A. System software
- B. Application software
- C. None of these
- D. Operating system ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Windows 10 is an operating system.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q77 (verified item — correct answer: Operating system).

Question 93 Computer Studies

On which tab of PowerPoint would you find the Header and Footer button?

- A. Home tab
- B. Insert tab ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Draw tab
- D. None of these

Why this answer? In PowerPoint the Header and Footer button is on the Insert tab.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q78 (verified item — correct answer: Insert tab).

94 Computer Studies

Out of the options below, which one is word-processing software?

- A. Browser
- B. PowerPoint
- C. None of these
- D. MS word ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? MS Word is word-processing software.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q79 (verified item — correct answer: MS word).

Question 95 Computer Studies

Without which of these can a computer not boot?

- A. Loader
- B. Operating system ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Assembler
- D. None of these

Why this answer? A computer cannot boot without an operating system.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q80 (verified item — correct answer: Operating system).

Question 96 Mathematics

Five numbers have an average of 27. If one number is left out, the average of the rest becomes 25. Which number was left out?

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

ne of these

Why this answer? The sum of the five numbers is 5 x 27 = 135; the sum of the remaining four is 4 x 25 = 100; the excluded number is 135 - 100 = 35.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q70 (verified item — correct answer: 35).

Question 97 Mathematics

A class has two sections of 36 and 44 students, with average weights of 40 kg and 35 kg. What is the average weight of the whole class?

- A. 37.25 kg ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. 37 kg
- C. 37.5 kg
- D. None of these

Why this answer? Total weight is 36 x 40 + 44 x 35 = 2980 kg over 80 students, giving 37.25 kg.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q71 (verified item — correct answer: 37.25 kg).

Question 98 Mathematics

Three-fourths of a number is 60 more than one-third of it. What is the number?

- A. 120
- B. 135
- C. None of these
- D. 144 ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? (3/4) x 144 - (1/3) x 144 = 108 - 48 = 60, so the number is 144.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-

SPS16 Q72 (verified item — correct answer: 144).

Question 99 Mathematics

A car costs 400% more than a bike. The car price rises 15% and the bike price 20%. What is the total percentage increase in the price of 5 cars and 10 bikes?

- A. 14 3/7%
- B. 15 3/7%
- C. 16 3/7% ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. None of these

Why this answer? With a bike costing b, a car costs 5b. The total cost of 5 cars and 10 bikes is 35b; the increase is 5.75b, i.e. 5.75/35 = 16.43%, which is 16 3/7%.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q73 (verified item — correct answer: 16 3/7%).

Question 100 Mathematics

A school has four classes of 10, 20, 30 and 40 students, with pass percentages of 20%, 30%, 60% and all students respectively. What is the pass percentage of the whole school?

- A. 46%
- B. 86%
- C. 66% ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. None of these

Why this answer? The passes are 2 + 6 + 18 + 40 = 66 out of 100 students, i.e. 66%.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2021-HEAD-CLERK-ASSISTANT-BPS16 Q74 (verified item — correct answer: 66%).

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