PPSC Personal Staff Officer | BS-17 — GUESS PAPER 2026 (Set 2 of 2) · Predicted Questions

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Question 1 Pakistan Studies

Which Chief Justice of Pakistan served the shortest tenure, just 23 days in 2015?

- A. Justice Muhammad Haleem
- B. Justice Muhammad Shahab-U-Din
- C. Justice Jawad S Khawaja ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Justice Jawwad S. Khawaja served as Chief Justice for only 23 days (17 August - 9 September 2015), the shortest tenure.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q35 (shortest serving Chief Justice — Justice Jawad S. Khawaja, 23 days).

Question 2 Pakistan Studies

Who was the first Governor-General of Pakistan?

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

Why this answer? Muhammad Ali Jinnah was the first Governor-General of Pakistan.

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

Question 3 Pakistan Studies

Which province is the most urbanised in Pakistan?

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

Why this answer? Sindh is the most urban province of Pakistan.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q46 (most urban province — Sindh).

4 Pakistan Studies

Which city was the first capital of Pakistan?

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

Why this answer? Karachi was the first capital of Pakistan.

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

Question 5 Pakistan Studies

The Supreme Court Building in Islamabad was designed by Kenzo Tange. What was his nationality?

- A. Japanese ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Turkish
- C. Chinese
- D. Greek

Why this answer? Kenzo Tange, who designed the Supreme Court Building in Islamabad, was Japanese.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q48 (Kenzo Tange was Japanese).

Question 6 Pakistan Studies

Who presented the Lahore Resolution in 1940?

- A. Liaquat Ali Khan
- B. Muhammad Ali Jinnah

- . Fazlul Haq ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Chaudhry Khaliquzzaman

Why this answer? A. K. Fazlul Haq presented the Lahore Resolution on 23 March 1940.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — Pakistan Studies: the Lahore Resolution recurs in every sitting of this post.

Question 7 Pakistan Studies

In which city is the Pakistan Naval War College located?

- A. Karachi
- B. Lahore ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Quetta
- D. Gwadar

Why this answer? The Naval War College (Pakistan Navy War College) is located in Lahore.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q59 (Naval War College in Lahore).

Question 8 Pakistan Studies

In which year was Pakistan's first Constitution adopted?

- A. 1947
- B. 1951
- C. 1962
- D. 1956 ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Pakistan's first Constitution was adopted in 1956.

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

9 Pakistan Studies

The "Muthi Bhar Ata" scheme collected funds, a handful of flour at a time, for which organisation?

- A. Dar-ul-Uloom Deoband
- B. Nadva-tul-Ulama
- C. Anjuman-i-Himayat-i-Islam ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Sindh Madrassah-ul-Islam

Why this answer? The "Muthi Bhar Ata" scheme was started for the Anjuman-i-Himayat-i-Islam.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q63 (Muthi Bhar Ata scheme for Anjuman-i-Himayat-i-Islam).

Question 10 Pakistan Studies

What is the national flower of Pakistan?

- A. Jasmine ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Rose
- C. Tulip
- D. Marigold

Why this answer? Jasmine is the national flower of Pakistan.

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

Question 11 Pakistan Studies

In the 1966 Pakistani film Armaan, who took the hero's part?

- A. Muhammad Ali
- B. Santosh Kumar

- D. Waheed Murad ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Waheed Murad played the male leading role in the Pakistani movie Armaan (1966).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q79 (Waheed Murad played the male lead in Armaan).

Question 12 Pakistan Studies

What is the national bird of Pakistan?

- A. Peacock
- B. Chukar partridge ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Falcon
- D. Houbara bustard

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

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

Question 13 Pakistan Studies

What is the national language of Pakistan?

- A. Punjabi
- B. English
- C. Urdu ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Sindhi

Why this answer? Urdu is the national language of Pakistan.

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

14 General Science

Heinrich Rudolf Hertz, who discovered electromagnetic waves, belonged to which nation?

- A. German ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. French
- C. English
- D. Polish

Why this answer? Heinrich Rudolf Hertz, who discovered electromagnetic waves, was German.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q51 (Hertz was German).

Question 15 General Science

What is the hardest naturally occurring substance on Earth?

- A. Gold
- B. Iron
- C. Diamond ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Quartz

Why this answer? Diamond is the hardest naturally occurring substance on Earth.

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

Question 16 General Science

How many tectonic plates make up the Earth's surface, counting major and minor plates together?

- A. 29

✓ **Predicted answer**

- C. 32
- D. 36

Why this answer? The Earth's surface is divided into 7 major and 8 minor tectonic plates, 15 in all.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q66 (15 tectonic plates: 7 major and 8 minor).

Question 17 General Science

Which gas do plants absorb from the air for photosynthesis?

- A. Oxygen
- B. Nitrogen
- C. Hydrogen
- D. Carbon dioxide ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Plants absorb carbon dioxide from the air for photosynthesis.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — General Science: photosynthesis recurs in every sitting of this post.

Question 18 General Science

When does a baby's heartbeat start?

- A. With the birth of the child
- B. After birth of child
- C. Before the birth of child ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. None of these

Why this answer? A baby's heartbeat starts before the birth of the child (in the embryo, weeks into pregnancy).

ed [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q69 (baby's heartbeat starts before birth).

Question 19 General Science

Which vitamin does the human body produce from sunlight?

- A. Vitamin D ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Vitamin A
- C. Vitamin B
- D. Vitamin C

Why this answer? The human body produces vitamin D from sunlight.

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

Question 20 General Science

Who founded treatment through vaccination?

- A. Louis Pasteur
- B. Jonas Salk
- C. Alexander Fleming
- D. Edward Jenner ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Treatment through vaccination was founded by Edward Jenner (smallpox, 1796).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q71 (vaccination founded by Edward Jenner).

Question 21 General Science

What is the speed of light in a vacuum?

,000 km/s

- B. 300,000 km/s ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. 30,000 km/s
- D. 3,000 km/s

Why this answer? The speed of light in a vacuum is about 300,000 kilometres per second.

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

Question 22 General Science

Lack of which vitamin causes muscular and nervous disorders?

- A. Vitamin E ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Vitamin A
- C. Vitamin C
- D. Vitamin D

Why this answer? Vitamin E deficiency causes muscular and nervous disorders.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q72 (muscular and nervous disorders owing to lack of vitamin E).

Question 23 General Science

Which organ pumps blood around the human body?

- A. Liver
- B. Lungs
- C. Heart ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Kidney

Why this answer? The heart pumps blood around the human body.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — General Science: the human

in every sitting of this post.

Question 24 General Science

What is a medicine that counteracts the effects of poison called?

- A. Analgesic
- B. Antidote ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Tranquilizer
- D. Antibiotic

Why this answer? A medicine that counteracts the effects of poison is an antidote.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q74 (medicine counteracting poison is an antidote).

Question 25 General Science

What is the SI unit of electric current?

- A. Volt
- B. Ohm
- C. Watt
- D. Ampere ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? The SI unit of electric current is the ampere.

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

Question 26 General Science

Which acid is found in lemons?

- A. Citric acid ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Acetic acid

rochloric acid

- D. Sulphuric acid

Why this answer? Lemons contain citric acid.

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

Question 27 General Science

Which gas makes up most of the Earth's atmosphere?

- A. Oxygen
- B. Nitrogen ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Carbon dioxide
- D. Argon

Why this answer? Nitrogen makes up about 78% of the Earth's atmosphere.

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

Question 28 History

After whom was the continent of America named?

- A. Columbus
- B. Washington
- C. Amerigo Vespucci ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Thomas Jefferson

Why this answer? America was named after Amerigo Vespucci.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q56 (America named after Amerigo Vespucci).

29 History

In which year did Columbus reach America?

- A. 1492 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. 1502
- C. 1482
- D. 1512

Why this answer? Columbus reached America in 1492.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — History: explorers and discoveries recur in every sitting of this post.

Question 30 History

In which country did the Boxer Revolution occur?

- A. Russia
- B. Korea
- C. India
- D. China ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? The Boxer Revolution occurred in China (1899-1901).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q73 (Boxer Revolution occurred in China).

Question 31 History

Who invented the printing press with movable type?

- A. Isaac Newton
- B. Johannes Gutenberg ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Galileo Galilei
- D. James Watt

swer: Johannes Gutenberg invented the printing press with movable type.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — History: great inventions recur in every sitting of this post.

Question 32 History

The Egypt-Israel peace treaty that followed the Camp David accords was concluded in which year?

- A. 1979 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. 1978
- C. 1989
- D. 1991

Why this answer? The Egypt-Israel peace treaty that followed Camp David was concluded in 1979, which is the printed key.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q75 (Egypt-Israel accord concluded 1979; the Camp David framework accords were signed in September 1978).

Question 33 History

Who built the Taj Mahal?

- A. Akbar
- B. Babur
- C. Shah Jahan ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Aurangzeb

Why this answer? The Taj Mahal was built by the Mughal emperor Shah Jahan.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — History: the Mughal Empire recurs in every sitting of this post.

34 History

For how many years did Shah Jahan live as a captive?

- A. 7
- B. 8 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. 9
- D. 10

Why this answer? Shah Jahan lived 8 years as a captive (1658-1666).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q76 (Shah Jahan lived 8 years as a captive).

Question 35 History

In which country is the Great Wall located?

- A. Japan
- B. Korea
- C. India
- D. China ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? The Great Wall is located in China.

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

Question 36 History

On which date did Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi resign from Congress?

- A. 15 April 1932
- B. 30 October 1944
- C. 30 October 1934 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. He never resigned

swer? Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi resigned from Congress on 30 October 1934.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q78 (Gandhi resigned from Congress on 30 October 1934).

Question 37 History

In which year was the Battle of Badr fought?

- A. 624 AD ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. 625 AD
- C. 627 AD
- D. 630 AD

Why this answer? The Battle of Badr was fought in 624 AD (2 AH).

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — History: early Islamic battles recur in every sitting of this post.

Question 38 History

Through which accords did the Vietnam War end?

- A. London Peace Accords
- B. Vienna Peace Accords
- C. Washington Peace Accords
- D. Paris Peace Accords ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? The Vietnam War ended through the Paris Peace Accords (1973).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q85 (Vietnam War ended through the Paris Peace Accords).

39 History

In which year did the Western Roman Empire fall?

- A. 376 AD
- B. 476 AD ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. 576 AD
- D. 676 AD

Why this answer? The Western Roman Empire fell in 476 AD.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — History: ancient empires recur in every sitting of this post.

Question 40 History

In which year was the Khilafat Movement launched in India?

- A. 1914
- B. 1916
- C. 1919 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. 1924

Why this answer? The Khilafat Movement was launched in 1919.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — History: movements of the subcontinent recur in every sitting of this post.

Question 41 Computer Science

Which of the following is NOT a security risk or a possible violation of privacy?

- A. Identity theft
- B. Viruses
- C. Hackers
- D. Spam ✓ **Predicted answer**

swer? Spam is unsolicited bulk mail, it is not itself a security risk or privacy violation like the other three.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q23 (spam is the exception among security risks).

Question 42 Computer Science

How many bytes are there in one kilobyte?

- A. 1024 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. 100
- C. 512
- D. 2048

Why this answer? One kilobyte is 1024 bytes.

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

Question 43 Computer Science

An email address consists of two parts, a username or ID and what else?

- A. Domain name ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Password
- C. URL
- D. None of these

Why this answer? An email address consists of a username (ID) and a domain name.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q57 (email address consists of username and domain name).

44 Computer Science

Who is regarded as the first computer programmer?

- A. Charles Babbage
- B. Ada Lovelace ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Alan Turing
- D. Bill Gates

Why this answer? Ada Lovelace is regarded as the first computer programmer.

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

Question 45 Computer Science

The nickname "Big Blue" belongs to which US computer firm?

- A. Microsoft
- B. IBM ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Compaq
- D. Tandy Stevenson

Why this answer? IBM, the American computer company, is called Big Blue.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q64 (IBM is called Big Blue).

Question 46 Computer Science

What does HTTP stand for?

- A. Hypertext Transfer Protocol ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. High Transfer Text Protocol
- C. Hypertext Transmission Protocol
- D. High Text Transfer Program

swer: HTTP stands for Hypertext Transfer Protocol.

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

Question 47 Computer Science

In MS Word, what does "Ctrl+PageUp" do?

- A. Move the cursor one paragraph up
- B. Move the cursor one screen up
- C. Move the cursor one page up ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Move the cursor one line up

Why this answer? In MS Word, Ctrl+PageUp moves the cursor one page up.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q65 (Ctrl+PageUp moves the cursor one page up).

Question 48 Computer Science

MS Excel is which type of software?

- A. Word processing
- B. Presentation
- C. Database
- D. Spreadsheet ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? MS Excel is spreadsheet software.

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

Question 49 Computer Science

Which of the following is an output device?

- B. Speaker
- C. Printer ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Scanner

Why this answer? A printer is an output device; a scanner is an input device.

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

Question 50 Computer Science

Which two digits make up the binary number system?

- A. 1 and 2
- B. 0 and 1 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. 0 and 2
- D. 1 and 3

Why this answer? The binary number system uses only the digits 0 and 1.

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

Question 51 Computer Science

Who invented the computer mouse?

- A. Charles Babbage
- B. Alan Turing
- C. Douglas Engelbart ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Steve Jobs

Why this answer? Douglas Engelbart invented the computer mouse.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — Computer Science: pioneers of

ecur in every sitting of this post.

Question 52 Computer Science

Which shortcut key redoes the last action in Microsoft PowerPoint on a Windows PC?

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

Why this answer? Ctrl+Y restores (redoes) the last action in Microsoft PowerPoint.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q84 (Ctrl+Y restores the last action in PowerPoint).

Question 53 General Knowledge

Under which body does the European Institute of Gender Equality (EIGE) work?

- A. United Nations
- B. European Union ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Autonomously
- D. African Union

Why this answer? The European Institute of Gender Equality (EIGE) works under the European Union.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q41 (EIGE works under the European Union).

Question 54 General Knowledge

What is the capital of Canada?

- A. Toronto

awa ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Vancouver
- D. Montreal

Why this answer? Ottawa is the capital of Canada.

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

Question 55 General Knowledge

The Izmir Treaty, which founded the ECO, was signed in which year?

- A. 1977 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. 1991
- C. 1992
- D. 1993

Why this answer? The Izmir Treaty (founding the ECO) was signed in 1977.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q45 (Izmir Treaty signed in 1977).

Question 56 General Knowledge

Which is the largest country in the world by area?

- A. China
- B. USA
- C. Russia ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Canada

Why this answer? Russia is the largest country in the world by area.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — General Knowledge: largest and smallest countries recur in every sitting of this post.

57 General Knowledge

Who authored the memoir "Extraordinary, Ordinary People: A Memoir of Family"?

- A. Obama
- B. Bill Clinton
- C. Condoleezza Rice ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Monica Lewinsky

Why this answer? "Extraordinary, Ordinary People" is a book written by Condoleezza Rice.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q60 (Extraordinary, Ordinary People written by Condoleezza Rice).

Question 58 General Knowledge

What is the currency of the United Kingdom?

- A. Euro
- B. Dollar
- C. Franc
- D. Pound sterling ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? The currency of the United Kingdom is the pound sterling.

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

Question 59 General Knowledge

After leaving Cairo in 1979, in which city did the Arab League set up its headquarters?

- A. Baghdad
- B. Damascus
- C. Istanbul
- D. Tunis ✓ **Predicted answer**

swer? In 1979 the Arab League shifted its headquarters from Cairo to Tunis.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q81 (Arab League shifted headquarters to Tunis in 1979).

Question 60 General Knowledge

Where is the headquarters of the United Nations?

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

Why this answer? The headquarters of the United Nations is in New York.

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

Question 61 General Knowledge

Which scholar is known as the father of geography?

- A. Eratosthenes ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Euclid
- C. Aristotle
- D. None of these

Why this answer? Eratosthenes is the father of geography.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q83 (Eratosthenes is the father of geography).

Question 62 General Knowledge

Who founded the Red Cross?

ence Nightingale

- B. Henry Dunant ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Louis Pasteur
- D. Albert Schweitzer

Why this answer? Henry Dunant founded the Red Cross.

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

Question 63 General Knowledge

Who was the first man to walk on the Moon?

- A. Buzz Aldrin
- B. Michael Collins
- C. Neil Armstrong ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Yuri Gagarin

Why this answer? Neil Armstrong was the first man to walk on the Moon.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — General Knowledge: space exploration recurs in every sitting of this post.

Question 64 General Knowledge

What is the deepest part of the world's oceans?

- A. Java Trench
- B. Puerto Rico Trench
- C. South Sandwich Trench
- D. Mariana Trench ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? The Mariana Trench is the deepest part of the world's oceans.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — General Knowledge: oceans

y sitting of this post.

Question 65 Urdu

"سخندانِ فارس" کے مصنف کون ہیں؟

A. علامہ راشد الخیری

Predicted answer ✓ B. محمد حسین آزاد

C. مولانا عبدالحلیم شرر

D. خواجہ حسن نظامی

Why this answer? "سخندانِ فارس" محمد حسین آزاد کی تحریر ہے۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q91 (سخندان فارس محمد حسین آزاد کی تحریر ہے).

Question 66 Urdu

کس شاعر کو "شاعرِ مشرق" کہا جاتا ہے؟

A. غالب

Predicted answer ✓ B. اقبال

C. میر

D. فیض

Why this answer? علامہ اقبال کو شاعرِ مشرق کہا جاتا ہے۔

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — Urdu: Iqbal's titles recur in every sitting of this post.

67 Urdu

سر سید احمد خان کا مزار کہاں ہے؟

A. دہلی

B. ممبئی

C. علی گڑھ ✓ **Predicted answer**

D. آگرہ

Why this answer? سر سید احمد خان علی گڑھ میں مدفن ہیں۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q92 (سر سید احمد خان علی گڑھ میں مدفن ہیں).

Question 68 Urdu

مرزا غالب کس سن میں پیدا ہوئے؟

- A. 1790
- B. 1805
- C. 1797 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. 1810

Why this answer? مرزا غالب 1797 میں پیدا ہوئے۔

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

Question 69 Urdu

مشہور کتاب "رحیق المختوم" کے مصنف کون ہیں؟

A. سر سید احمد خان

.B• آ

.C• سلمان ندوی

Predicted answer ✓ .D• صفی الرحمان

Why this answer? "رحیق المختوم" صفی الرحمان مبارکپوری کی کتاب ہے۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q93 (رحیق المختوم صفی الرحمان کی کتاب ہے).

Question 70 Urdu

"گلستانِ سعدی" کس کی تصنیف ہے؟

.A• حافظ شیرازی

.B• فردوسی

.C• نظامی

Predicted answer ✓ .D• شیخ سعدی

Why this answer? "گلستانِ سعدی" شیخ سعدی کی تصنیف ہے۔

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — Urdu: classical literature recurs in every sitting of this post.

Question 71 Urdu

محاورے "زیروزبر کرنا" سے کیا مراد ہے؟

Predicted answer ✓ .A• الٹ پلٹ کرنا

.B• برتری تسلیم کرنا

.C• حکم عدولی کرنا

.D• بھاگ جانا

Why this answer? زیروزبر کرنا کا مطلب

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q95 (زیروزبر کرنا کا مفہوم الٹ پلٹ کرنا).

Question 72 Urdu

لفظ "اردو" کے لغوی معنی کیا ہیں؟

Predicted answer ✓ A. لشکر

B. زبان

C. شہر

D. کتاب

Why this answer? لفظ "اردو" کے لغوی معنی لشکر یا چھاؤنی ہیں۔

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — Urdu: the Urdu language recurs in every sitting of this post.

Question 73 Urdu

اردو کا پہلا اخبار کون سا تھا؟

A. زمیندار

Predicted answer ✓ B. جامِ جہاں نما

C. پیسہ اخبار

D. ہمدرد

Why this answer? اردو کا پہلا اخبار "جامِ جہاں نما" تھا، جو 1822 میں کلکتہ سے شائع ہوا۔

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — Urdu: history of Urdu journalism recurs in every sitting of this post.

74 Urdu

"نسخہ ہائے وفا" کس شاعر کی کلیات ہے؟

A. احمد فراز

B. جون ایلیا

Predicted answer ✓ C. فیض احمد فیض

D. پروین شاکر

Why this answer? "نسخہ ہائے وفا" فیض احمد فیض کی کلیات ہے۔

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

Question 75 English

In grammar, the word "reflection" is what part of speech?

- A. Noun ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Adverb
- C. Pronoun
- D. Adjective

Why this answer? "Reflection" is a noun (the act or image of reflecting).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q43 (reflection is a noun).

Question 76 English

Choose the synonym of "brave".

- A. Courageous ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Cowardly

- D. Timid

Why this answer? "Courageous" is a synonym of "brave".

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

Question 77 English

"None of this hanky panky; please talk straight." Choose the best meaning of "hanky panky":

- A. Indifference
- B. Jugglery ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Diversification
- D. Obsession

Why this answer? "Hanky panky" means trickery or jugglery (deception).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q67 (hanky panky means jugglery).

Question 78 English

Choose the antonym of "rich".

- A. Wealthy
- B. Affluent
- C. Poor ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Prosperous

Why this answer? "Poor" is the antonym of "rich".

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

79 English

What does the idiom "to meet one's Waterloo" mean?

- A. To die an ignoble death
- B. To meet a strong adversary
- C. To die fighting
- D. To meet one's final defeat ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? "To meet one's Waterloo" means to meet one's final defeat.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q68 (to meet one's Waterloo means to meet one's final defeat).

Question 80 English

What is the past tense of "go"?

- A. Goes
- B. Going
- C. Went ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Gone

Why this answer? The past tense of "go" is "went".

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

Question 81 English

In the sentence "He is a very good swimmer", what part of speech is the word "very"?

- A. Noun
- B. Adverb ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Adjective
- D. Conjunction

swer? In "a very good swimmer", "very" modifies the adjective "good", so it is an adverb.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q80 (very is an adverb here).

Question 82 English

Choose the correct collective noun: A ___ of bees.

- A. Herd
- B. Flock
- C. Pack
- D. Swarm ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? A swarm of bees is the correct collective noun.

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

Question 83 Mathematics

A car covers 700 km in 3 hours and 30 minutes. What is its speed?

- A. 150 km/h
- B. 175 km/h
- C. 165 km/h
- D. 200 km/h ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? The speed is 700 / 3.5 = 200 km/h.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q58 (speed 200 km/h for 700 km in 3.5 hours).

84 Mathematics

What is 15% of 300?

- A. 30
- B. 40
- C. 45 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. 60

Why this answer? 15% of 300 is 45.

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

Question 85 Mathematics

Eight adults can finish a job in 12 days, and 12 children can finish the same job in 16 days. The 8 adults work alone for 3 days, then 6 adults and 4 children take over. How many more days will they need to finish the job?

- A. 9 days ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. 3 days
- C. 6 days
- D. 8 days

Why this answer? The work is 8 adults x 12 days = 96 adult-days. After 3 days the starting adults have done 24 adult-days, leaving 72; the replacement team of 6 adults + 4 children equals 6 + 2 = 8 adult-equivalents, so 72 / 8 = 9 days.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q70 (remaining work takes 9 days).

Question 86 Mathematics

What is the area of a square with side 5 cm?

- B. 20 sq cm
- C. 15 sq cm
- D. 25 sq cm ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? The area of a square is side × side = 5 × 5 = 25 sq cm.

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

Question 87 Mathematics

A and B together finish a job in 15 days, while B alone needs 20 days. How long would A take on his own?

- A. 30
- B. 60 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. 45
- D. 40

Why this answer? A does 1/15 of the job a day and B does 1/20, so A alone does 1/15 - 1/20 = 1/60 a day, finishing in 60 days.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q77 (A alone completes the job in 60 days).

Question 88 Mathematics

What is 9 squared?

- A. 81 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. 72
- C. 90
- D. 99

swer? $9 \times 9 = 81$.

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

Question 89 Geography

Montuosa Island is in which ocean?

- A. Indian Ocean
- B. Pacific Ocean ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Arctic Ocean
- D. Atlantic Ocean

Why this answer? Montuosa Island (Isla Montuosa, Panama) is in the Pacific Ocean.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q42 (Montuosa Island is in the Pacific Ocean).

Question 90 Geography

What is the capital of China?

- A. Beijing ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Shanghai
- C. Hong Kong
- D. Taipei

Why this answer? Beijing is the capital of China.

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

Question 91 Geography

To which country does the famous city of Osaka belong?

- B. Korea
- C. Japan ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Thailand

Why this answer? Osaka is a famous city of Japan.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q44 (Osaka is a city of Japan).

Question 92 Geography

Which is the longest mountain range in the world?

- A. Himalayas
- B. Alps
- C. Rockies
- D. Andes ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? The Andes is the longest mountain range in the world.

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

Question 93 Geography

Into which sea does the River Indus flow?

- A. Arabian Sea ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Bay of Bengal
- C. Mediterranean Sea
- D. Red Sea

Why this answer? The River Indus flows into the Arabian Sea.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — Geography: rivers of Pakistan

y sitting of this post.

Question 94 Islamic Studies

Zou-Shadatain is the title of whom?

- A. Hazrat Khuzaima bin Sabit R. A ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Hazrat Huzaifa bin Yaman R. A
- C. Hazrat Ammar bin Yasir R. A
- D. Hazrat Abu Zar Ghafari R. A

Why this answer? Zou-Shadatain (Dhul-Shahadatain) is the title of Hazrat Khuzaima bin Sabit (R.A).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q30 (Zou-Shadatain is the title of Hazrat Khuzaima bin Sabit R.A).

Question 95 Islamic Studies

Which was the first mosque built in Islam?

- A. Masjid Nabawi
- B. Masjid Al-Aqsa
- C. Masjid Quba ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Masjid Al-Haram

Why this answer? Masjid Quba was the first mosque built in Islam.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — Islamic Studies: mosques of early Islam recur in every sitting of this post.

Question 96 Islamic Studies

What is a book of Hadiths written on a particular subject called?

- A. Jamia

- C. Mustadrik
- D. None of these

Why this answer? A book of hadiths written on a particular subject is a Juz' (part).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q82 (a hadith book on a particular subject is a Juzv).

Question 97 Islamic Studies

Over how many years was the Holy Quran revealed?

- A. 20 years
- B. 21 years
- C. 22 years
- D. 23 years ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? The Holy Quran was revealed over 23 years.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — Islamic Studies: revelation of the Quran recurs in every sitting of this post.

Question 98 Current Affairs

In which year was the Islamic Military Counter Terrorism Coalition formed?

- A. 2014
- B. 2015 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. 2016
- D. 2017

Why this answer? The Islamic Military Counter Terrorism Coalition was formed in December 2015.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-

S17 Q53 (Islamic Military Counter Terrorism Coalition formed in 2015).

Question 99 Current Affairs

In which year was SAARC founded?

- A. 1980
- B. 1982
- C. 1983
- D. 1985 ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? SAARC was founded in 1985.

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

Question 100 Current Affairs

In which year was the first Cricket World Cup held?

- A. 1971
- B. 1973
- C. 1979
- D. 1975 ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? The first Cricket World Cup was held in 1975 (won by the West Indies).

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — Sports: cricket history recurs in every sitting of this post.

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