PPSC Personal Staff Officer | BS-17 — GUESS PAPER 2026 (Set 1 of 2) · Predicted Questions

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Question 1 Pakistan Studies

In 1958, under whose rule did Pakistan take its first IMF standby arrangement?

- A. Sikandar Mirza
- B. Ayub Khan ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Feroz Khan Noon

Why this answer? Pakistan took its first IMF standby package in 1958 under Ayub Khan.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q1 (first IMF standby package 1958 — Ayub Khan).

Question 2 Pakistan Studies

On which date was the Lahore Resolution passed?

- A. 23 March 1940 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. 14 August 1947
- C. 23 March 1956
- D. 16 December 1971

Why this answer? The Lahore Resolution, demanding separate states for Muslims, was passed on 23 March 1940.

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

Question 3 Pakistan Studies

Near which city in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa does the Buddhist archaeological site of Takht-i-Bahi stand?

- A. Taxila
- B. Peshawar
- C. Mardan ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Charsadda

Why this answer? Takht-i-Bahi, the Buddhist archaeological site, is located near Mardan.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q3 (Takht-i-Bahi near Mardan).

4 Pakistan Studies

Who was the first Prime Minister of Pakistan?

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

Why this answer? Liaquat Ali Khan became the first Prime Minister of Pakistan in 1947.

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

Question 5 Pakistan Studies

On which May 2019 date did the National Assembly pass the 26th Constitutional Amendment Bill?

- A. May 13 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. May 7
- C. May 9
- D. May 11

Why this answer? The National Assembly adopted the 26th Constitutional Amendment Bill 2019 on 13 May 2019.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q5 (26th Amendment Bill adopted 13 May 2019).

Question 6 Pakistan Studies

On which date did the Constitution of 1973 come into force?

- A. 23 March 1956
- B. 14 August 1973 ✓ **Predicted answer**

ne 1962

- D. 25 December 1973

Why this answer? The Constitution of 1973 came into force on 14 August 1973.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — Pakistan Studies: the 1973 Constitution recurs in every sitting of this post.

Question 7 Pakistan Studies

What did the Constituent Assembly adopt in March 1949, within six months of Quaid-e-Azam's death?

- A. The first draft of the constitution
- B. Bill of Fundamental Rights
- C. Objectives Resolution ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Report on Basic Principles

Why this answer? Within six months of Quaid-e-Azam's death (11 September 1948), the Constituent Assembly adopted the Objectives Resolution (12 March 1949).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q11 (Objectives Resolution adopted within six months of the Quaid's death).

Question 8 Pakistan Studies

Who was the first President of Pakistan?

- A. Ayub Khan
- B. Iskandar Mirza ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Ghulam Muhammad
- D. Muhammad Ali Jinnah

Why this answer? Iskandar Mirza became the first President of Pakistan in 1956.

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

Question 9 Pakistan Studies

Which actress played the title role in the Pakistani film Zarqa, popular in Pakistan and the Middle East?

- A. Neelo ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Musarrat Nazeer
- C. Zeba
- D. None of these

Why this answer? Neelo played the character of Zarqa in the Pakistani film Zarqa.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q12 (Neelo played Zarqa).

Question 10 Pakistan Studies

On which date did Pakistan join the United Nations?

- A. 14 August 1947
- B. 23 March 1948
- C. 30 September 1947 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. 1 January 1948

Why this answer? Pakistan became a member of the United Nations on 30 September 1947.

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

11 Pakistan Studies

At the 2014 Nobel Peace Prize ceremony in Oslo, which Pakistani singer performed?

- A. Shafqat Amanat Ali
- B. Rahat Fateh Ali Khan ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Sahir Ali Bagga
- D. None of these

Why this answer? Rahat Fateh Ali Khan performed at the Nobel Peace Prize ceremony in Oslo in 2014.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q28 (Rahat Fateh Ali Khan performed at the Nobel ceremony, Oslo 2014).

Question 12 Pakistan Studies

In which year was the Simla Agreement signed between Pakistan and India?

- A. 1965
- B. 1971
- C. 1974
- D. 1972 ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? The Simla Agreement between Pakistan and India was signed in 1972.

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

Question 13 Pakistan Studies

What is the national animal of Pakistan?

- A. Snow leopard
- B. Indus dolphin
- C. Markhor ✓ **Predicted answer**

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

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

Question 14 General Science

Among the big cats, which one lives and hunts together in a group called a pride?

- A. Leopards
- B. Lion ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Cheetahs
- D. Cougars

Why this answer? The lion is the only species of the cat family that lives and hunts in a group (a pride).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q2 (lion lives and hunts in a group).

Question 15 General Science

Which gas do green plants release during photosynthesis?

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

Why this answer? During photosynthesis green plants release oxygen.

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

16 General Science

The removal of carbon dioxide, urine and sweat from the body is known as what process?

- A. Digestion
- B. Excretion ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Respiration
- D. Emission

Why this answer? The removal of carbon dioxide, urine and sweat is excretion.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q20 (removal of carbon dioxide, urine and sweat is excretion).

Question 17 General Science

What is the chemical formula of water?

- A. H2O ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. CO2
- C. O2
- D. NaCl

Why this answer? Water is made of two hydrogen atoms and one oxygen atom, H2O.

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

Question 18 General Science

Which of these is NOT a layer of the Earth's atmosphere?

- A. Troposphere
- B. Hydrosphere ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Mesosphere

Why this answer? The hydrosphere (the waters of the Earth) is not part of the atmosphere.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q33 (hydrosphere is not in the atmosphere).

Question 19 General Science

At sea level, water boils at what temperature?

- A. 90°C
- B. 95°C
- C. 100°C ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. 120°C

Why this answer? At sea level water boils at 100°C.

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

Question 20 General Science

What is pollination carried out by birds called?

- A. Autogamy
- B. Ornithophily ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Entomophily
- D. Anemophily

Why this answer? Pollination by birds is called ornithophily.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q36 (pollination by birds is ornithophily).

21 General Science

What is the chemical symbol for gold?

- A. Ag
- B. Fe
- C. Pb
- D. Au ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Gold's chemical symbol is Au, from its Latin name aurum.

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

Question 22 General Science

The first Homo erectus fossils, known as Java Man, were found in which place?

- A. Java ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Serbia
- C. Africa
- D. None of these

Why this answer? Homo erectus was first found in Java (Java Man).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q39 (Homo erectus first found in Java).

Question 23 General Science

Which planet is nearest to the Sun?

- A. Venus
- B. Mercury ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Earth
- D. Mars

swer? Mercury is the planet nearest to the Sun.

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

Question 24 General Science

Which of the following animals is a carnivore?

- A. Ibex
- B. Hippopotamus
- C. Lion ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Rhinoceros

Why this answer? A lion is a carnivore; the ibex, hippopotamus and rhinoceros are herbivores.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q52 (lion is a carnivore).

Question 25 General Science

What is the normal temperature of the human body?

- A. 35°C
- B. 36°C
- C. 37°C ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. 39°C

Why this answer? The normal human body temperature is about 37°C.

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

26 General Science

Heating elements of electric heaters are made of which alloy?

- A. Tungsten
- B. Graphite
- C. Chromium
- D. Nichrome ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Heating elements of an electric heater are made of nichrome.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q62 (heating elements are made of nichrome).

Question 27 General Science

What is the SI unit of force?

- A. Joule
- B. Watt
- C. Pascal
- D. Newton ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? The SI unit of force is the newton.

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

Question 28 History

From which country did Noor Jahan come to the Mughal court?

- A. Iran ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Azerbaijan
- C. Egypt
- D. Uzbekistan

swer? Noor Jahan came from Iran (Persia) to the Mughal court.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q16 (Noor Jahan came from Iran).

Question 29 History

In which year did the First World War begin?

- A. 1912
- B. 1914 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. 1916
- D. 1918

Why this answer? The First World War began in 1914.

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

Question 30 History

In 1492, when Muslim rule ended in Granada, Spain was ruled by which royal couple?

- A. Ferdinand and Isabella ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Ferdinand and Egilona
- C. Charles and Isabella
- D. Roderic and Cindra

Why this answer? In 1492, when the Muslims were driven out of Spain, the King and Queen were Ferdinand and Isabella.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q26 (Ferdinand and Isabella in 1492).

31 History

Who founded the Mughal Empire in India?

- A. Akbar
- B. Babur ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Humayun
- D. Sher Shah Suri

Why this answer? Babur founded the Mughal Empire in India.

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

Question 32 History

How many colonies won the American War of Independence against Britain?

- A. 10
- B. 11
- C. 12
- D. 13 ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? The American War of Independence was won by 13 colonies against Britain.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q32 (13 colonies won the American War of Independence).

Question 33 History

In which year was the Battle of Plassey fought?

- A. 1757 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. 1761
- C. 1764

Why this answer? The Battle of Plassey was fought in 1757.

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

Question 34 History

On which date did the Berlin Wall fall?

- A. 9 November 1985
- B. 9 November 1989 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. 9 November 1990
- D. 1 November 1983

Why this answer? The Berlin Wall was demolished (fell) on 9 November 1989.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q34 (Berlin Wall demolished 9 November 1989).

Question 35 History

In which year did the Second World War end?

- A. 1943
- B. 1944
- C. 1945 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. 1947

Why this answer? The Second World War ended in 1945.

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

36 History

Who founded the Asiatic Society in 1784, with its headquarters in Kolkata?

- A. William James in Mumbai
- B. William Jones in Kolkata ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Wellesley in Delhi
- D. Warren Hastings in Bengal

Why this answer? The Asiatic Society was formed in 1784 by William Jones, with its headquarters in Kolkata.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q49 (Asiatic Society formed 1784 by William Jones, headquarters Kolkata).

Question 37 History

In which year did the French Revolution begin?

- A. 1776
- B. 1789 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. 1804
- D. 1815

Why this answer? The French Revolution began in 1789.

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

Question 38 History

By what other name were the Middle Ages in Europe known?

- A. Age of Reason
- B. Age of Ignorance
- C. Dark Ages ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? The Middle Ages in Europe were also referred to as the Dark Ages.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q55 (Middle Ages also called the Dark Ages).

Question 39 History

Mohenjo-daro, the Indus Valley city, is located in which province?

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

Why this answer? Mohenjo-daro is located in Sindh (near Larkana).

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

Question 40 History

In which year was the First Battle of Panipat fought?

- A. 1526 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. 1556
- C. 1761
- D. 1658

Why this answer? The First Battle of Panipat was fought in 1526.

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

41 Computer Science

In a word processor, what does a red wavy underline beneath a word signal?

- A. Character mistakes
- B. Grammatical mistakes
- C. Spelling mistakes ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Spacing mistakes

Why this answer? A red wavy line under text indicates spelling mistakes.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q7 (red wavy line indicates spelling mistakes).

Question 42 Computer Science

What does CPU stand for?

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

Why this answer? CPU stands for Central Processing Unit.

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

Question 43 Computer Science

Which operation moves a block of text in MS Word rather than copying it?

- A. Copy and Paste
- B. Cut and Paste ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Paste and Delete
- D. Paste and Cut

swer? To move a block of text in MS Word you Cut and Paste it.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q8 (move a block of text by Cut and Paste).

Question 44 Computer Science

How many bits make one byte?

- A. 4
- B. 8 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. 16
- D. 32

Why this answer? One byte is made of 8 bits.

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

Question 45 Computer Science

PowerPoint is classified as which type of software?

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

Why this answer? PowerPoint is presentation software.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q22 (PowerPoint is presentation software).

Question 46 Computer Science

What does WWW stand for?

- ld Wide Web ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. World Web Window
- C. Wide World Web
- D. Web World Wide

Why this answer? WWW stands for World Wide Web.

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, combining cells of a table row or column is done by doing what to the cells?

- A. Merge ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Simplify
- C. Join
- D. Link

Why this answer? To combine cells of a table's row or column in MS Word you merge the cells.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q47 (combine cells by merging them).

Question 48 Computer Science

Which memory loses its contents when the computer is switched off?

- A. ROM
- B. Hard disk
- C. RAM ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. CD-ROM

Why this answer? RAM is volatile memory; it loses its contents when the computer is

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

Question 49 Computer Science

Which shortcut applies centre alignment in MS Word?

- A. Ctrl+S
- B. Ctrl+C
- C. Ctrl+C+A
- D. Ctrl+E ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? To apply centre alignment, press Ctrl+E.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q50 (centre alignment is Ctrl+E).

Question 50 Computer Science

Which of the following is an input device?

- A. Monitor
- B. Printer
- C. Keyboard ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Speaker

Why this answer? A keyboard is an input device; the monitor, printer and speaker are output devices.

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

51 Computer Science

Vacuum tubes were the main component of which generation of computers?

- A. First ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Second
- C. Third
- D. Fourth

Why this answer? Vacuum tubes belong to the first generation of computers.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q54 (vacuum tube pertains to the first generation).

Question 52 Computer Science

Which device is mainly used for permanent storage in a computer?

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

Why this answer? A hard disk is used for permanent storage in a computer.

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

Question 53 General Knowledge

The painting known as La Gioconda is better known by what name?

- A. The Last Supper
- B. Mona Lisa ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Madonna and Child
- D. Sunflowers

swer? The famous painting 'La Gioconda' is better known as the Mona Lisa.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q9 (La Gioconda is the Mona Lisa).

Question 54 General Knowledge

Which is the largest ocean in the world?

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

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

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

Question 55 General Knowledge

The OIC is best described as what kind of body?

- A. A Specialized Agency of UN
- B. A Regional Muslim Organization
- C. An Organization of Muslim States ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. A Human Rights Activist Organization

Why this answer? The OIC (Organisation of Islamic Cooperation) is an organisation of Muslim states.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q13 (OIC is an organisation of Muslim states).

56 General Knowledge

What is the capital of Australia?

- A. Sydney
- B. Melbourne
- C. Canberra ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Perth

Why this answer? Canberra is the capital of Australia.

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

Question 57 General Knowledge

What does the word "mural" describe?

- A. Any piece of art work ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Name of a Steam Engine
- C. Cross breed of a donkey and mare
- D. A specie of Poison frog living in Africa

Why this answer? A mural is a piece of artwork, painted on a wall.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q14 (a mural is a piece of artwork).

Question 58 General Knowledge

Which is the longest river in the world?

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

swer? The Nile is the longest river in the world.

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

Question 59 General Knowledge

Which part of London is famous for public meetings, assemblage and free speech?

- A. Hyde Street
- B. Hyde Garden
- C. Hyde Square
- D. Hyde Park ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Hyde Park in London, with Speakers' Corner, is famous for public meetings, assemblage and free speech.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q21 (Hyde Park famous for public meetings and free speech).

Question 60 General Knowledge

Which is the smallest continent?

- A. Europe
- B. Africa
- C. Australia ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. South America

Why this answer? Australia is the smallest continent.

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

61 General Knowledge

The abbreviation ANC expands to what?

- A. African National Committee
- B. Asian National Coordination
- C. African National Congress ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Asian National Conference

Why this answer? ANC stands for African National Congress.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q27 (ANC stands for African National Congress).

Question 62 General Knowledge

In which year was the United Nations founded?

- A. 1919
- B. 1945 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. 1950
- D. 1960

Why this answer? The United Nations was founded in 1945.

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

Question 63 General Knowledge

Robin Williams was famous as what?

- A. Economist
- B. Politician
- C. Comedian Actor ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Music Composer

swer: Robin Williams was famous as a comedian actor.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q38 (Robin Williams famous as a comedian actor).

Question 64 General Knowledge

What is the currency of Japan?

- A. Won
- B. Yuan
- C. Ringgit
- D. Yen ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? The currency of Japan is the yen.

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

Question 65 Urdu

"شانے سے شانہ چھلنا" سے کیا مراد ہے؟

A. بہت خوش ہونا

B. بہت مشکل ہونا

Predicted answer ✓ C. بہت بھیڑ ہونا

D. ان میں سے کوئی نہیں

Why this answer? "شانے سے شانہ چھلنا" کا مطلب ہے بہت بھیڑ ہونا، یعنی کندھے سے کندھا چھلنا۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q86 (شانے سے شانہ چھلنا کا مطلب بہت بھیڑ ہونا).

66 Urdu

کس شاعر کو "خدائے سخن" کہا جاتا ہے؟

Predicted answer ✓ A. میر تقی میر

B. غالب

C. اقبال

D. سودا

Why this answer? میر تقی میر کو خدائے سخن کہا جاتا ہے۔

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

Question 67 Urdu

اقبال کے اس شعر میں خالی جگہ پر کیا آئے گا: ایک ہوں ___ حرم کی پاسبانی کے لیے

A. اہل ایمان

Predicted answer ✓ B. مسلم

C. دنیا

D. ان میں سے کوئی نہیں

Why this answer? شعر ہے: "ایک ہوں مسلم حرم کی پاسبانی کے لیے" (اقبال)۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q87 (اقبال — ایک ہوں مسلم حرم کی پاسبانی کے لیے).

Question 68 Urdu

مرزا غالب کا اصل نام کیا تھا؟

nswer ✓ A. مرزا اسد اللہ خان

B. مرزا محمد رفیع

C. مرزا حیدر

D. مرزا نصیر

Why this answer? مرزا غالب کا اصل نام مرزا اسد اللہ خان تھا۔

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

Question 69 Urdu

کس شاعر نے "جنگل کی شہزادی" نظم لکھی؟

A. ضمیر جعفری

B. کرنل محمد خان

C. نسیم حجازی

Predicted answer ✓ D. جوش ملیح آبادی

Why this answer? "جنگل کی شہزادی" جوش ملیح آبادی کی نظم ہے۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q88 (جنگل کی شہزادی جوش ملیح آبادی کی نظم ہے).

Question 70 Urdu

"آبِ حیات" کس کی تصنیف ہے؟

Predicted answer ✓ A. محمد حسین آزاد

B. ڈپٹی نذیر احمد

C. شبلی نعمانی

D. الف

Why this answer? "آبِ حیات" محمد حسین آزاد کی تصنیف ہے۔

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — Urdu: famous Urdu books and their authors recur in every sitting of this post.

Question 71 Urdu

انگریزی محاورے "cock and bull story" کا اردو مطلب کیا ہے؟

A. لوک کہانی

B. بہادروں کی کہانی

Predicted answer ✓ C. جھوٹی کہانی

D. بھولی ہوئی کہانی

Why this answer? "Cock and bull story" کا مطلب ہے جھوٹی، گھڑی ہوئی کہانی۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q89 (cock and bull story کا مطلب جھوٹی کہانی).

Question 72 Urdu

اردو کا پہلا ناول "مراۃ العروس" کس نے لکھا؟

Predicted answer ✓ A. ڈپٹی نذیر احمد

B. محمد حسین آزاد

C. پریم چند

D. راشد الخیری

Why this answer? "مراۃ العروس" ڈپٹی نذیر احمد نے لکھا، اردو کا پہلا ناول مانا جاتا ہے۔

ed [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — Urdu: famous Urdu books and their authors recur in every sitting of this post.

Question 73 Urdu

قواعد کی رو سے "آب آب ہونا" کی حیثیت کیا ہے؟

A. محاورہ ہے

B. صرف روزمرہ ہے

Predicted answer ✓ C. محاورہ بھی ہے اور روزمرہ بھی

D. نہ محاورہ ہے اور نہ روزمرہ

Why this answer? "آب آب ہونا" محاورہ بھی ہے اور روزمرہ بھی۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q90 (آب آب ہونا محاورہ بھی ہے اور روزمرہ بھی).

Question 74 Urdu

"بانگِ درا" کس شاعر کی تصنیف ہے؟

A. غالب

Predicted answer ✓ B. اقبال

C. میر

D. فیض

Why this answer? "بانگِ درا" علامہ اقبال کی تصنیف ہے۔

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

75 English

Fill in the blank: He will not apologize ___ you for what he did, as he acted in good faith.

- A. To ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. For
- C. By
- D. With

Why this answer? The correct preposition is "to": he will not apologise to you.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q19 (apologise to you).

Question 76 English

Choose the synonym of "happy".

- A. Sad
- B. Angry
- C. Tired
- D. Joyful ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? "Joyful" is a synonym of "happy".

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

Question 77 English

What does the idiom "at the drop of a hat" mean?

- A. In a good moment
- B. As a follow up of orders
- C. After long thought
- D. Immediately ✓ **Predicted answer**

swer? "At the drop of a hat" means immediately, at once.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q24 (at the drop of a hat means immediately).

Question 78 English

What is the plural of "child"?

- A. Childs
- B. Childes
- C. Childrens
- D. Children ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? The plural of "child" is "children".

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

Question 79 English

Which word completes the idiom "to cast ___ before swine"?

- A. Diamonds
- B. Gold
- C. Shadow
- D. Pearls ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? The idiom is "to cast pearls before swine".

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q29 (to cast pearls before swine).

Question 80 English

Choose the correct verb: She ___ to school daily.

- B. going
- C. gone
- D. goes ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? With "she" in the present simple, the verb is "goes".

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — English: subject-verb agreement recurs in every sitting of this post.

Question 81 English

Which word completes the proverb "There is no place like ___"?

- A. Heaven
- B. House
- C. Forest
- D. Home ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? The proverb is "There is no place like home."

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q37 (there is no place like home).

Question 82 English

Choose the antonym of "brave".

- A. Bold
- B. Fearless
- C. Strong
- D. Cowardly ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? "Cowardly" is the antonym of "brave".

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — English: antonyms recur in

of this post.

Question 83 Mathematics

A man spends 88% of his income and has Rs. 2160 left. What is his income?

- A. Rs. 18000 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Rs. 19000
- C. Rs. 20000
- D. Rs. 22000

Why this answer? After spending 88%, Rs. 2,160 is 12% of the income, so the income is 2,160 / 0.12 = Rs. 18,000.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q18 (income Rs. 18,000 after spending 88%, Rs. 2,160 left).

Question 84 Mathematics

What is 25% of 200?

- A. 25
- B. 40
- C. 60
- D. 50 ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? 25% of 200 is 50.

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

Question 85 Mathematics

Complete the series: 4, 9, 13, 22, 35, ___?

- A. 57 ✓ **Predicted answer**

- C. 70
- D. 75

Why this answer? Each term is the sum of the two before it: 4 + 9 = 13, 9 + 13 = 22, 13 + 22 = 35, so the next is 22 + 35 = 57.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q31 (series next term 57).

Question 86 Mathematics

What is the square root of 144?

- A. 11
- B. 13
- C. 14
- D. 12 ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? The square root of 144 is 12, since 12 × 12 = 144.

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

Question 87 Mathematics

The average monthly income of P and Q is Rs. 5050, of Q and R is Rs. 6250, and of P and R is Rs. 5200. What is P's monthly income?

- A. 3500
- B. 4050
- C. 5000
- D. 4000 ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? P + Q = 10,100; Q + R = 12,500; P + R = 10,400. Adding the first and third

ing the second gives 2P = 8,000, so P's monthly income is Rs. 4,000.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q40 (P's monthly income Rs. 4,000).

Question 88 Mathematics

What is 7 multiplied by 8?

- A. 54
- B. 48
- C. 63
- D. 56 ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? 7 × 8 = 56.

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

Question 89 Geography

What is a huge mass of land surrounded by ocean on at least three sides called?

- A. Continent
- B. Continental Shelf
- C. Sub-Continent
- D. Peninsula ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? A huge mass of land surrounded by ocean from at least three sides is a peninsula.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q15 (land surrounded by ocean on three sides is a peninsula).

90 Geography

Which is the largest hot desert in the world?

- A. Sahara ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Gobi
- C. Kalahari
- D. Arabian

Why this answer? The Sahara is the largest hot desert in the world.

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

Question 91 Geography

Which country has the longest coastline in the world?

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

Why this answer? Canada has the longest coastline in the world.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q17 (Canada has the longest coastline).

Question 92 Geography

What is the capital of France?

- A. Lyon
- B. Marseille
- C. Paris ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Nice

swer? Paris is the capital of France.

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

Question 93 Geography

In which country is the Deccan Plateau located?

- A. Nepal
- B. Pakistan
- C. Bhutan
- D. India ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? The Deccan Plateau is located in India.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q25 (Deccan Plateau is in India).

Question 94 Islamic Studies

The book "Tareekh-ul-Umam wal Mulook" was written by whom?

- A. Al-Waqidi
- B. Abu Hanifa
- C. Imam Bukhari
- D. Ibn-e-Jareer Tabri ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Tareekh-ul-Umam wal Mulook (History of Nations and Kings) was written by Ibn-e-Jareer Tabari.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q4 (Tareekh-ul-Umam wal Mulook written by Ibn-e-Jareer Tabari).

95 Islamic Studies

Which Surah was revealed first to the Holy Prophet (PBUH)?

- A. Surah Al-Fatiha
- B. Surah Al-Baqarah
- C. Surah Al-Alaq ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Surah Yaseen

Why this answer? Surah Al-Alaq was the first Surah revealed to the Holy Prophet (PBUH).

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

Question 96 Islamic Studies

Sikhism is the religion of how many Gurus?

- A. Ten Guru ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. One Guru
- C. Three Guru
- D. Five Guru

Why this answer? Sikhism is the religion of Ten Gurus.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q10 (Sikhism is the religion of Ten Gurus).

Question 97 Islamic Studies

How many pillars of Islam are there?

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

swer? There are five pillars of Islam.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — Islamic Studies: the five pillars recur in every sitting of this post.

Question 98 Current Affairs

On which date was India's Moon mission Chandrayaan-2 launched?

- A. 22 July 2019 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. 20 August 2019
- C. 6 September 2019
- D. 7 September 2019

Why this answer? Chandrayaan-2, India's mission to the Moon, was launched on 22 July 2019.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q6 (Chandrayaan-2 launched 22 July 2019).

Question 99 Current Affairs

Which country hosted the 2024 Summer Olympic Games?

- A. France ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Japan
- C. USA
- D. United Kingdom

Why this answer? The 2024 Summer Olympic Games were hosted by France (Paris).

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

100 Current Affairs

The terms "bunker" and "chukker" are associated with which sport?

- A. Rowing
- B. Polo ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Skiing
- D. Draughts

Why this answer? A chukker is a period of play in polo, so the terms are associated with polo.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-2020-PERSONAL-STAFF-OFFICER-BPS17 Q61 (bunker and chukker are terms of polo).

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