PPSC Social Security Officer — GUESS PAPER 2026 (Set 2 of 2) · Predicted Questions

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Question 1 General Knowledge

Name the currency of Japan.

- A. yen ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Dollar
- C. Lira
- D. Franc

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

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-

an-resource-2015 Q41 (verified item — correct answer: yen)

Question 2 General Knowledge

Where is the headquarters of the Arab League?

- A. Rabat
- B. Riyadh
- C. Cairo ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Amman

Why this answer? the Arab League is headquartered in Cairo, Egypt.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-labour-human-resource-2015 Q45 (verified item — correct answer: Cairo)

Question 3 General Knowledge

By what name was Ethiopia earlier known?

- A. Christina
- B. Abyssinia ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Formosa
- D. Persia

Why this answer? Ethiopia was formerly known as Abyssinia.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-labour-human-resource-2015 Q51 (verified item — correct answer: Abyssinia)

Question 4 General Knowledge

Where is Al Azhar University situated?

- A. Tehran
- B. Kuwait

- D. Tunisia

Why this answer? Al-Azhar University is in Cairo, Egypt, founded in 970 CE.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-labour-human-resource-2015 Q53 (verified item — correct answer: Cairo)

Question 5 General Knowledge

By whom was the Badshahi Mosque in Lahore built?

- A. Akbar
- B. Humayun
- C. Jehangir
- D. Aurangzeb ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? the Badshahi Mosque was built by Aurangzeb in 1673.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-2018 Q22 (verified item — correct answer: Aurangzeb)

Question 6 General Knowledge

In which city was the United States Constitution signed on 17 September 1787?

- A. Mississippi
- B. Ohio
- C. Philadelphia ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Washington

Why this answer? the US Constitution was signed in Philadelphia on 17 September 1787.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-2018 Q33 (verified item — correct answer: Philadelphia)

7 General Knowledge

South of which city does Derawar Fort, built by Rai Jaja Bhatti, stand?

- A. Larkana
- B. Bahawalnagar
- C. Ahmedabad
- D. Bahawalpur ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Derawar Fort is in the Cholistan Desert, south of Bahawalpur.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-2018 Q35 (verified item — correct answer: Bahawalpur)

Question 8 General Knowledge

The Aswan Dam was built on which river?

- A. Euphrates
- B. Nile ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Tigris
- D. Congo

Why this answer? the Aswan Dam is on the Nile in Egypt.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-2018 Q40 (verified item — correct answer: Nile)

Question 9 General Knowledge

Who was the wife of Bill Gates?

- A. Michelle Gates
- B. Melanie Gates
- C. Margaret Gates
- D. Melinda Gates ✓ **Predicted answer**

swer: Melinda Gates was Bill Gates's wife.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-2018 Q47 (verified item — correct answer: Melinda Gates)

Question 10 General Knowledge

In which year was the UNO formed?

- A. 1944
- B. 1946
- C. 1945 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. 1957

Why this answer? the United Nations was formed in 1945 (Charter signed in June, in force in October).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-2018 Q55 (verified item — correct answer: 1945)

Question 11 General Knowledge

How many Great Lakes are there in the world?

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

Why this answer? the five Great Lakes are Superior, Michigan, Huron, Erie and Ontario.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-2018 Q57 (verified item — correct answer: 5)

12 General Knowledge

Which is the national language of Pakistan?

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

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

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

Question 13 Pakistan Studies

In which year was Pakistan International Airlines established?

- A. 1955 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. 1949
- C. 1960
- D. 1965

Why this answer? Pakistan International Airlines (PIA) was established in 1955.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-SOCIAL-SECURITY-OFFICER-2012 Q74 (verified item — correct answer: 1955)

Question 14 Pakistan Studies

Who built Rohtas Fort on the orders of Sher Shah Suri?

- A. Barjram Khan
- B. AbulFazl
- C. Raja Birbal
- D. Raja Todar Mal ✓ **Predicted answer**

swer? Rohtas Fort was built under Sher Shah Suri's orders by his finance minister Raja Todar Mal.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-labour-human-resource-2015 Q8 (verified item — correct answer: Raja Todar Mal)

Question 15 Pakistan Studies

Who chairs the Council of Common Interests?

- A. President
- B. Prime Minister ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Chief Justice of Pakistan
- D. Attoreny General

Why this answer? the Prime Minister chairs the Council of Common Interests under the 1973 Constitution.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-labour-human-resource-2015 Q10 (verified item — correct answer: Prime Minister)

Question 16 Pakistan Studies

Who became Pakistan's first Governor-General?

- A. Kh. Nazimud Din
- B. Ghulam Muhammad
- C. Quaid-e-Azam Muhammad Ali Jinnah ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Liqat Ali Khan

Why this answer? Jinnah was the first Governor General (1947–1948).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-labour-human-resource-2015 Q33 (verified item — correct answer: Quaid-e-Azam Muhammad Ali Jinnah)

17 Pakistan Studies

On which date was Prime Minister Liaquat Ali Khan assassinated?

- A. October 18, 1951
- B. October 16, 1951 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. October 19, 1951
- D. October 20, 1951

Why this answer? Liaquat Ali Khan was assassinated at Company Bagh, Rawalpindi, on 16 October 1951.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-labour-human-resource-2015 Q35 (verified item — correct answer: October 16, 1951)

Question 18 Pakistan Studies

Who was Pakistan's first Chief Justice?

- A. Zafar-ul-Haq
- B. Mushtaq Hussain
- C. Abdul Rashid ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Sajjad Ali Shah

Why this answer? Justice Abdul Rashid was the first Chief Justice of Pakistan (1949–1954).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-labour-human-resource-2015 Q37 (verified item — correct answer: Abdul Rashid)

Question 19 Pakistan Studies

The National Anthem of Pakistan was written by which poet?

- A. Faiz Ahamd Faiz
- B. Hafeez Jullundri ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Sufi Ghulam Mustafa Tabssum

Why this answer? Hafeez Jalandhri wrote the national anthem (1952), set to Ahmed G. Chagla's music.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-labour-human-resource-2015 Q39 (verified item — correct answer: Hafeez Jullundri)

Question 20 Pakistan Studies

How many seats are reserved for minorities in Pakistan's National Assembly?

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

Why this answer? 10 seats in the National Assembly are reserved for non-Muslim minorities.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-labour-human-resource-2015 Q44 (verified item — correct answer: 10)

Question 21 Pakistan Studies

Which was the first commercial bank of Pakistan?

- A. Muslim Commercial Bank
- B. UBL
- C. Habib Bank Limited ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. HSBC

Why this answer? Habib Bank, founded in 1941, was the first commercial bank of Pakistan.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-

an-resource-2015 Q55 (verified item — correct answer: Habib Bank Limited)

Question 22 Pakistan Studies

What was the most important feature introduced by the Government of India Act of 1919?

- A. Provincial Autonomy
- B. Diarchy ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Adult Franchise Diarchy
- D. Seprate Electorate

Why this answer? the Act of 1919 introduced dyarchy (diarchy) in the provinces, dividing subjects into reserved and transferred.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-labour-human-resource-2015 Q59 (verified item — correct answer: Diarchy)

Question 23 Pakistan Studies

Which person served as Britain's Prime Minister during the Second Round Table Conference?

- A. Celement Attlee
- B. Chamberlian
- C. Ramsay McDonald ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Lord Curzon

Why this answer? Ramsay MacDonald was British Prime Minister (1929–1935) at the Second Round Table Conference in 1931.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-labour-human-resource-2015 Q76 (verified item — correct answer: Ramsay McDonald)

24 Pakistan Studies

Who is known as the founder of Pakistan?

- A. Allama Iqbal
- B. Liaquat Ali Khan
- C. Sir Syed Ahmad Khan
- D. Quaid-e-Azam Muhammad Ali Jinnah ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Quaid-e-Azam Muhammad Ali Jinnah is known as the founder of Pakistan.

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

Question 25 Islamiat

Name the fourth month of the Islamic calendar.

- A. Rabi us Sani ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Muharram
- C. Shawal
- D. Shabaan

Why this answer? the Islamic months run Muharram, Safar, Rabi-ul-Awwal, Rabi-us-Sani, and so on.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-labour-human-resource-2015 Q62 (verified item — correct answer: Rabi us Sani)

Question 26 Islamiat

In which year did Hazrat Abu Bakr die?

- A. 10 Hijra
- B. 11th Hijra

h Hijra

- D. 13 Hijra ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Abu Bakr (RA) died in 13 AH (634 CE), after a caliphate of about two years.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-labour-human-resource-2015 Q64 (verified item — correct answer: 13 Hijra)

Question 27 Islamiat

Hazrat Usman belonged to which Arab tribe?

- A. Bani Hashim
- B. Bani Umaayyad ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Aus
- D. Khazraj

Why this answer? Usman (RA) belonged to Banu Umayyah.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-labour-human-resource-2015 Q67 (verified item — correct answer: Bani Umaayyad)

Question 28 Islamiat

The 'heart of the Quran' is which Surah?

- A. Surah Ya Sin ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Surah Al- Ikhlas
- C. Surah Al- Baqra
- D. Sura Ar- Rahman

Why this answer? Surah Ya Sin is called the heart of the Quran in a well-known Hadith.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-labour-human-resource-2015 Q70 (verified item — correct answer: Surah Ya Sin)

29 Islamiat

Ushr is which part of the produce of rain-fed land?

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

Why this answer? Ushr is one-tenth of the produce of rain-fed land.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-labour-human-resource-2015 Q72 (verified item — correct answer: 10th part)

Question 30 Islamiat

How many times a day do Muslims offer the obligatory prayers?

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

Why this answer? Muslims offer the five obligatory prayers each day: Fajr, Zuhr, Asr, Maghrib and Isha.

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

Question 31 Urdu

'ابلیس کی مجلس شوریٰ' کے شاعر کا نام کیا ہے؟

A. الطاف حسین حالی

B. اکبر الہ آبادی

Predicted answer ✓ D. علامہ اقبال

Why this answer? "ابلیس کی مجلس شوریٰ" علامہ اقبال کی مشہور نظم ہے۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-2018 Q2 (verified item — correct answer: علامہ اقبال)

Question 32 Urdu

اصطلاح 'خلف الرشید' کا مفہوم کیا ہے؟

A. نافرمان بیٹا

B. منہ بولا بیٹا

Predicted answer ✓ C. فرمانبردار بیٹا

D. خلیفہ

Why this answer? "خلف الرشید" کا مطلب ہے فرمانبردار اور نیک بیٹا (نیک جانشین)۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-2018 Q5 (verified item — correct answer: فرمانبردار بیٹا)

Question 33 Urdu

'آب آتش' سے کیا مراد ہے؟

Predicted answer ✓ A. شراب سرخ

B. سرخ رنگ

C. لال پیلا ہونا

D. جوان

Why this answer? آگ اگلنے کا مطلب

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-2018 Q9 (verified item — correct answer: شر اب سر خ)

Question 34 Urdu

صحافت کا باپ کسے کہا جاتا ہے؟

- A. مولوی عبدالحق
- B. ابوالکلام آزاد
- C. ن م راشد
- D. ظفر علی خان ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? مولانا ظفر علی خان کو بابائے صحافت کہا جاتا ہے۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-2018 Q13 (verified item — correct answer: ظفر علی خان)

Question 35 Urdu

'قطرہ قطرہ قلزم' کے مصنف کون ہیں؟

- A. واصف علی واصف ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. اشفاق احمد
- C. علامہ اقبال
- D. میر تقی میر

Why this answer? "قطرہ قطرہ قلزم" واصف علی واصف کی تصنیف ہے۔

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-2018 Q16 (verified item — correct answer: واصف علی واصف)

36 Urdu

اردو کس ملک کی قومی زبان ہے؟

A. بھارت

Predicted answer ✓ B. پاکستان

C. بنگلہ دیش

D. ایران

Why this answer? اردو پاکستان کی قومی زبان ہے۔

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

Question 37 Mathematics

If three-quarters of a hospital's employees are female, what is the ratio of male to female employees?

- A. 3: 7
- B. 3:4
- C. 1:3 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. 4:3

Why this answer? if 3/4 are female, 1/4 are male, so males : females = 1/4 : 3/4 = 1:3.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-labour-human-resource-2015 Q28 (verified item — correct answer: 1:3)

Question 38 Mathematics

Given x + y = 6, y + z = 7 and z + x = 9, what is the arithmetic mean of x, y and z?

- A. 11/3 ✓ **Predicted answer**

- C. 22/3
- D. 11

Why this answer? adding the three equations gives 2(x + y + z) = 22, so x + y + z = 11 and the mean is 11/3.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-labour-human-resource-2015 Q40 (verified item — correct answer: 11/3)

Question 39 Mathematics

Given that x^2 - y^2 = 28 and x - y = 8, what is the average of x and y?

- A. 1.75 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. 3.5
- C. 7
- D. 8

Why this answer? $x^2 - y^2 = (x - y)(x + y)$, so x + y = 28/8 = 3.5, and the average is 3.5/2 = 1.75.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-labour-human-resource-2015 Q54 (verified item — correct answer: 1.75)

Question 40 Mathematics

What is the value of x^9 when x equals 1?

- A. 9
- B. 100
- C. 1 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. 900

Why this answer? $1^9 = 1$.

ed [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-2018 Q68 (verified item — correct answer: 1)

Question 41 Mathematics

What is the square of 12?

- A. 144 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. 121
- C. 132
- D. 154

Why this answer? 12 × 12 = 144.

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

Question 42 English Vocabulary

What does 'De Facto' mean?

- A. By law
- B. In practice ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. By the way
- D. By fiction

Why this answer? de facto is Latin for 'in fact' or 'in practice'.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-labour-human-resource-2015 Q3 (verified item — correct answer: In practice)

Question 43 English Vocabulary

What does 'Degrade' mean?

- A. wit a grade

se ✓ **Predicted answer**

- C. of D grade
- D. Abet

Why this answer? to degrade is to abase, to lower in rank or dignity.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-labour-human-resource-2015 Q87 (verified item — correct answer: Abase)

Question 44 English Vocabulary

What is the opposite of 'Buoyant'?

- A. Restive
- B. Resistant
- C. placid ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Retiring

Why this answer? in the paper's sense, buoyant (lively, rising) is opposed by placid (calm, still).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-labour-human-resource-2015 Q89 (verified item — correct answer: placid)

Question 45 English Vocabulary

What does 'Expedite' mean?

- A. Expedition
- B. Expedient
- C. Practical
- D. Hasten ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? to expedite is to hasten, to speed up.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-

an-resource-2015 Q91 (verified item — correct answer: Hasten)

Question 46 English Vocabulary

What is the antonym of 'brave'?

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

Why this answer? 'Cowardly' is the opposite of 'brave'.

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

Question 47 Urdu Literature

Famous Punjab writer Waris Shah wrote his book 'Heer Ranjha' while living in which town?

- A. Harbanspura
- B. Takht Hazara
- C. Malka Hans ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Jhang

Why this answer? Waris Shah wrote Heer Ranjha at Malka Hans (near Pakpattan).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-labour-human-resource-2015 Q7 (verified item — correct answer: Malka Hans)

Question 48 Urdu Literature

تصنیف 'شاعر کا انجام' کے مصنف کون ہیں؟

A. •

B. خواجہ حسن نظامی •

C. مجنوں گور کھپوری •

Predicted answer ✓ D. نیاز فتح پوری •

Why this answer? 'Shair ka Anjaam' is a work of Niaz Fatehpuri.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-labour-human-resource-2015 Q74 (verified item — correct answer: نیاز فتح پوری)

Question 49 Urdu Literature

مصورِ فطرت کا لقب کس ناول نگار کو ملا؟

A. عبدالحلیم شرر •

B. مرزا ہادی •

Predicted answer ✓ C. خواجہ حسن نظامی •

D. راشد الخیری •

Why this answer? Khwaja Hasan Nizami is known as 'Musawwir-e-Fitrat' (Painter of Nature); the stem prints 'مصور قطرہ', a garble of 'مصورِ فطرت'.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-labour-human-resource-2015 Q77 (verified item — correct answer: خواجہ حسن نظامی)

Question 50 Science

Of all the elements, which one is found in the greatest quantity in the Earth's crust?

- A. Silicon
- B. Iron
- C. Oxygen ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? oxygen is about 46% of the Earth's crust by weight, the most abundant element.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-labour-human-resource-2015 Q16 (verified item — correct answer: Oxygen)

Question 51 Science

CNG has the same chemical composition as which of these?

- A. LPG
- B. Tear gas
- C. Poison Gas
- D. Sui Gas ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? CNG is compressed natural gas, the same methane as Sui gas (Pakistan's natural gas).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-labour-human-resource-2015 Q18 (verified item — correct answer: Sui Gas)

Question 52 Science

Besides the heart, which other organ filters blood in the human body?

- A. Kidney ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Pancreas
- C. Spleen
- D. Live r

Why this answer? the kidneys are the body's main blood filters.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-labour-human-resource-2015 Q20 (verified item — correct answer: Kidney)

53 Science

Which planet is known as the Red Planet?

- A. Venus
- B. Mars ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Jupiter
- D. Saturn

Why this answer? Mars is known as the Red Planet because of its reddish appearance.

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

Question 54 Sports

How many times has Pakistan's men's hockey team won the Asian Games gold medal?

- A. Eight ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Five
- C. Four
- D. Nine

Why this answer? Pakistan won the Asian Games hockey gold in 1958, 1962, 1970, 1974, 1978, 1982, 1990 and 2010 — eight times.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-labour-human-resource-2015 Q13 (verified item — correct answer: Eight)

Question 55 Sports

In which year did badminton make its debut as a demonstration sport at the Olympic Games in Munich?

- A. 1973
- B. 1974

2 ✓ **Predicted answer**

- D. 1975

Why this answer? badminton was a demonstration sport at the Munich Olympics in 1972.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-2018 Q8 (verified item — correct answer: 1972)

Question 56 Computer Science

Who is known as the father of the Internet?

- A. Charles Babbage
- B. Dennis Ritchie
- C. Martin Cooper
- D. Vint Cerf ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Vint Cerf, co-designer of TCP/IP, is called the father of the Internet.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-2018 Q24 (verified item — correct answer: Vint Cerf)

Question 57 Computer Science

Which part of a computer is called its brain?

- A. CPU ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. ALU
- C. CU
- D. RAM

Why this answer? the Central Processing Unit is called the brain of the computer.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-2018 Q43 (verified item — correct answer: CPU)

58 Computer Science

What does WWW stand for?

- A. World Web Window
- B. World Wide Web ✓ **Predicted answer**
- 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 59 English

Choose the word that completes this sentence correctly: 'He went ___ the direction of the police station.'

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

Why this answer? the idiom is "in the direction of".

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-2018 Q27 (verified item — correct answer: In)

Question 60 English

Complete the proverb: 'In for a penny, in for a ___.'

- A. Pound ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Rupee
- C. Dollar

Why this answer? the proverb is "In for a penny, in for a pound".

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-2018 Q29 (verified item — correct answer: Pound)

Question 61 Everyday Science

Blood makes up about what proportion of a person's body weight?

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

Why this answer? blood makes up about 7% of body weight.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-2018 Q18 (verified item — correct answer: 7%)

Question 62 Everyday Science

Ornithology is the branch of science that studies what?

- A. Plants
- B. Birds ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Amphibians
- D. Ants

Why this answer? ornithology is the study of birds.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-2018 Q50 (verified item — correct answer: Birds)

63 Everyday Science

Which gas do plants absorb from the air for photosynthesis?

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

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

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

Question 64 Geography (Pakistan Dams)

On which river is the Warsak Project located?

- A. Gomal River
- B. Kabul River ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Karam River
- D. Bera River

Why this answer? the Warsak Project (Warsak Dam) is located on the Kabul River.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-SOCIAL-SECURITY-OFFICER-2012 Q69 (verified item — correct answer: Kabul River)

Question 65 English Grammar

Choose the word that completes this sentence: 'There has been a complete break ___ of law and order in the country.'

- A. up
- B. off
- C. of

wn ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? a 'complete breakdown' of law and order; the phrasal verb is 'break down'.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-labour-human-resource-2015 Q4 (verified item — correct answer: down)

Question 66 English Grammar

Choose the preposition that completes this sentence: 'The policeman's story conflicts ___ that of the accused.'

- A. from
- B. to
- C. in
- D. with ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? the verb 'conflict' takes 'with' ('conflicts with that of the accused').

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-labour-human-resource-2015 Q97 (verified item — correct answer: with)

Question 67 Geography (Rivers)

The River Mania flows through which country?

- A. Romania
- B. Albania
- C. Lithuania
- D. Madagascar ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? the River Mania flows through Madagascar.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-SOCIAL-SECURITY-OFFICER-2012 Q59 (verified item — correct answer: Madagascar)

68 Geography (Pakistan Rivers)

On which river was Sulemanki Headworks constructed?

- A. River Ravi
- B. River Chenab
- C. None of these
- D. River Sutlujh ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Sulemanki Headworks is constructed on the River Sutlej (printed "Sutlujh"). The source stem carries a stray "(M River Ravi" (the misprinted (A) label for the River Ravi option, filed as option A).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-SOCIAL-SECURITY-OFFICER-2012 Q72 (verified item — correct answer: River Sutlujh)

Question 69 Pakistan Studies (Books)

The book “Great Tragedy” was written by whom?

- A. Muhammad Yousaf
- B. Zial-ul-Haq
- C. Z.A.Bhutto ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. None of these

Why this answer? "The Great Tragedy" was written by Zulfikar Ali Bhutto.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-SOCIAL-SECURITY-OFFICER-2012 Q96 (verified item — correct answer: Z.A.Bhutto)

Question 70 World Leaders

John Howard held which office?

- A. Prime Minister of Australia ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Prime Minister of Ireland

- D. Prime Minister of Canada

Why this answer? John Howard was Prime Minister of Australia (1996–2007).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-SOCIAL-SECURITY-OFFICER-2012 Q6 (verified item — correct answer: Prime Minister of Australia)

Question 71 Literature (Authors)

Identify the author that created Sherlock Holmes.

- A. G.K. Chesterton
- B. Sir Arthur Conan Doyle ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Edgar Allan Poe
- D. Agatha Christie

Why this answer? Sir Arthur Conan Doyle created Sherlock Holmes.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-SOCIAL-SECURITY-OFFICER-2012 Q52 (verified item — correct answer: Sir Arthur Conan Doyle)

Question 72 English Spelling

Which of these is the correct spelling of 'guarantee'?

- A. guarantee ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. garuantee
- C. gaurantee
- D. guarentee

Why this answer? G-U-A-R-A-N-T-E-E is the correct spelling.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-labour-human-resource-2015 Q1 (verified item — correct answer: guarantee)

73 Labour Law

Under the conventions of which international organisation were Pakistan's Employees Social Security Institutions set up?

- A. ILO ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. WTO
- C. OPEC
- D. UNESCO

Why this answer? Pakistan's social security institutions follow the International Labour Organization's conventions on social security.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: ppsc-social-security-officer-labour-human-resource-2015 Q60 (verified item — correct answer: ILO)

Question 74 Labour Law

Which international organisation sets the labour standards that Pakistan's social security system follows?

- A. International Labour Organization ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. World Bank
- C. World Health Organization
- D. UNESCO

Why this answer? The International Labour Organization (ILO) sets international labour standards.

Why predicted [C] — Syllabus anchor: syllabus anchor — Labour Law: the ILO and international labour standards recur in every sitting of this post.

Question 75 General Knowledge (Days)

On which date is World Telecommunication Day observed?

- B. 2nd May
- C. 8th May
- D. 12th May

Why this answer? World Telecommunication Day is observed on 17 May (the anniversary of the founding of the ITU in 1865).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-SOCIAL-SECURITY-OFFICER-2012 Q5 (verified item — correct answer: 17th May)

Question 76 Geography (Seas)

Which sea separates the city of Istanbul into two continents?

- A. Aegean Sea
- B. Sea of Marmara ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Black Sea
- D. Sea of Azov

Why this answer? the Sea of Marmara (with the Bosphorus) separates the European and Asian parts of Istanbul.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-SOCIAL-SECURITY-OFFICER-2012 Q8 (verified item — correct answer: Sea of Marmara)

Question 77 History (Third June Plan)

By what method was the future of Bengal and Punjab to be settled under the 3rd June Plan?

- A. By plebiscite
- B. By the commission
- C. None of the above
- D. By majority vote of assembly members ✓ **Predicted answer**

swer? under the 3rd June Plan the future status of Bengal and Punjab was decided by a majority vote of the members of the provincial assemblies (voting by communal sections).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-SOCIAL-SECURITY-OFFICER-2012 Q22 (verified item — correct answer: By majority vote of assembly members)

Question 78 History (Explorers)

Identify the explorer that discovered the island of Jamaica.

- A. Francis Drake
- B. Ferdinand Magellan
- C. Vasco da Gama
- D. Christopher Columbus ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Christopher Columbus discovered Jamaica on his second voyage (1494).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-SOCIAL-SECURITY-OFFICER-2012 Q58 (verified item — correct answer: Christopher Columbus)

Question 79 Geography (Pakistan Minerals)

Which precious metal is found in Dera Ghazi Khan?

- A. Platinum
- B. Thorium
- C. Uranium ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. None of these

Why this answer? uranium is found in Dera Ghazi Khan (the stem prints "specious metal" for "precious metal").

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-SOCIAL-SECURITY-OFFICER-

verified item — correct answer: Uranium)

Question 80 Mathematics (Work)

A swimming pool fills in 10 hours with 14 taps. How many hours will 5 taps take to fill the same pool?

- A. 28 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. 25
- C. 26
- D. 27

Why this answer? 14 taps take 10 hours, so 5 taps take 14 × 10 ÷ 5 = 28 hours.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-SOCIAL-SECURITY-OFFICER-2012 Q85 (verified item — correct answer: 28)

Question 81 History (Space)

On 20 July 1969, two American astronauts landed on which celestial body?

- A. Mars
- B. Pluto
- C. Jupiter
- D. Moon of earth ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? on 20 July 1969 two American astronauts (Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin) landed on the Moon.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-SOCIAL-SECURITY-OFFICER-2012 Q99 (verified item — correct answer: Moon of earth)

Question 82 Current Affairs (Pakistan)

For how long was Prime Minister Gilani sentenced after being found guilty of contempt

- A. 43 seconds
- B. 30 seconds ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. 22 seconds
- D. 50 seconds

Why this answer? Prime Minister Yousuf Raza Gilani was sentenced "till the rising of the court" on 26 April 2012 — the sentence lasted about 30 seconds.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-SOCIAL-SECURITY-OFFICER-2012 Q2 (verified item — correct answer: 30 seconds)

Question 83 General Knowledge (Awards)

By which government is the Victoria Cross, the highest military award for bravery, given?

- A. Canadian Government
- B. French Government
- C. British Government ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. American Government

Why this answer? the Victoria Cross is the highest military award for bravery given by the British Government.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-SOCIAL-SECURITY-OFFICER-2012 Q9 (verified item — correct answer: British Government)

Question 84 Geography (Geology)

The theory of Continental Drift was proposed by whom?

- A. Lyell
- B. Richter
- C. Gutenberg

gener ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Alfred Wegener proposed the theory of continental drift (1912).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-SOCIAL-SECURITY-OFFICER-2012 Q11 (verified item — correct answer: Wegener)

Question 85 Economics (Currencies)

Name the currency of Mexico.

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

Why this answer? the peso is the currency of Mexico.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-SOCIAL-SECURITY-OFFICER-2012 Q13 (verified item — correct answer: Peso)

Question 86 History (Middle East)

The 2006 war between Israel and Lebanon began on which date?

- A. 8th July, 2006
- B. 12th July, 2006 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. 5th July, 2006
- D. None of these

Why this answer? the 2006 Israel–Lebanon war began on 12 July 2006 (Hezbollah's cross-border raid).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-SOCIAL-SECURITY-OFFICER-2012 Q17 (verified item — correct answer: 12th July, 2006)

87 Literature (Shakespeare)

In which year was William Shakespeare born?

- A. 1535
- B. 1554
- C. 1564 ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. 1574

Why this answer? William Shakespeare was born in Stratford-upon-Avon in 1564 (baptised 26 April 1564). The stem prints "bom" for "born".

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-SOCIAL-SECURITY-OFFICER-2012 Q19 (verified item — correct answer: 1564)

Question 88 History (Cabinet Mission)

Which of these men was NOT a member of the Cabinet Mission that visited India in 1946?

- A. Lord Mountbatten ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Sir Stafford Cripps
- C. A.V. Alexander
- D. None of the above

Why this answer? Lord Mountbatten was not a member of the Cabinet Mission; the members were Pethick-Lawrence, Stafford Cripps and A. V. Alexander.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-SOCIAL-SECURITY-OFFICER-2012 Q21 (verified item — correct answer: Lord Mountbatten)

Question 89 Sports (Tennis)

Who won the men's singles title at the Australian Open in 2011 and 2012?

- A. Novak Djokovic ✓ **Predicted answer**

- C. Rafael Nadal
- D. Roger Federer

Why this answer? Novak Djokovic won the men's singles at the Australian Open in both 2011 and 2012.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-SOCIAL-SECURITY-OFFICER-2012 Q29 (verified item — correct answer: Novak Djokovic)

Question 90 Geography (World)

Which one of these countries is a landlocked country?

- A. Uruguay
- B. Pakistan
- C. Bolivia ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. All of above

Why this answer? Bolivia is a landlocked country (it lost its coastline to Chile in 1884).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-SOCIAL-SECURITY-OFFICER-2012 Q31 (verified item — correct answer: Bolivia)

Question 91 Geography (Africa)

By what name was Ghana formerly known?

- A. Grain Coast
- B. Gold Coast ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Ivory Coast
- D. Slave Coast

Why this answer? Ghana was formerly known as the Gold Coast.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-SOCIAL-SECURITY-OFFICER-

verified item — correct answer: Gold Coast)

Question 92 General Knowledge (Birds)

Which large Australian bird has a red bill?

- A. Emperor penguin
- B. Black swan ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Ostrich
- D. Kiwi

Why this answer? the black swan — a large Australian bird with a red bill — is the answer.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-SOCIAL-SECURITY-OFFICER-2012 Q38 (verified item — correct answer: Black swan)

Question 93 General Knowledge (Dance)

Which modern Latin American dance, resembling the rumba, was derived from the ritual dance of voodoo?

- A. Mamba
- B. Mambo ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Lambada
- D. Samba

Why this answer? the mambo is the modern Latin American dance resembling the rumba, derived from the ritual dance of voodoo. The stem prints "madem" for "modern".

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-SOCIAL-SECURITY-OFFICER-2012 Q40 (verified item — correct answer: Mambo)

Question 94 Geography (Venezuela)

Which discovery in Lake Maracaibo in 1917 turned Venezuela from one of South

poorest countries into one of its richest?

- A. Platinum
- B. Gold
- C. Oil ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Gas

Why this answer? oil was discovered at Lake Maracaibo in 1917, turning Venezuela from one of South America's poorest countries into one of its richest.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-SOCIAL-SECURITY-OFFICER-2012 Q42 (verified item — correct answer: Oil)

Question 95 General Knowledge (Film)

In the famous shower scene of Hitchcock's 'Psycho', what substance was used as blood to terrify audiences?

- A. Chocolate sauce ✓ **Predicted answer**
- B. Tomato sauce
- C. Newspaper print
- D. Cochineal

Why this answer? chocolate sauce was used as blood in the famous shower scene of Alfred Hitchcock's Psycho (1960).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-SOCIAL-SECURITY-OFFICER-2012 Q45 (verified item — correct answer: Chocolate sauce)

Question 96 Literature (Comics)

The cartoon character 'Tintin' was created by which Belgian author and artist?

- A. Georges Simenon
- B. Hercule Poirot

der Valk

- D. Georges Remi ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Georges Remi (Hergé) created the cartoon character Tintin.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-SOCIAL-SECURITY-OFFICER-2012 Q48 (verified item — correct answer: Georges Remi)

Question 97 Geography (Uk Cities)

For what is the city of Glasgow best known?

- A. Textile centre
- B. Military base
- C. None of these
- D. Biggest ship building centre ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Glasgow is famous as the biggest shipbuilding centre (on the River Clyde).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-SOCIAL-SECURITY-OFFICER-2012 Q50 (verified item — correct answer: Biggest ship building centre)

Question 98 General Knowledge (Food)

Which nation's national dish is goulash?

- A. Turkey
- B. Hungary ✓ **Predicted answer**
- C. Greece
- D. India

Why this answer? goulash is the national dish of Hungary.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-SOCIAL-SECURITY-OFFICER-2012 Q53 (verified item — correct answer: Hungary)

99 Geography (Sweden)

How many small islands, joined by about 50 bridges, make up Stockholm, the capital of Sweden?

- A. 44
- B. 43
- C. 24
- D. 14 ✓ **Predicted answer**

Why this answer? Stockholm is built on 14 small islands connected by about 50 bridges.

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-SOCIAL-SECURITY-OFFICER-2012 Q56 (verified item — correct answer: 14)

Question 100 Geography (Pakistan Passes)

Which pass lies on the route connecting Peshawar with Chitral?

- A. Dargai Pass
- B. Bolan Pass
- C. Malakand Pass ✓ **Predicted answer**
- D. Baroghill Pass

Why this answer? Malakand Pass is the bank's intended answer for the pass connecting Peshawar with Chitral (it lies on the Peshawar–Chitral route).

Why predicted [B] — Verified fact, predicted to recur: PPSC-SOCIAL-SECURITY-OFFICER-2012 Q61 (verified item — correct answer: Malakand Pass)

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