Junior Deputy Director in Intelligence Bureau — 2008 · Solved Past Paper

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Question 1 Geography (Rivers)

Which one among the following rivers is the longest?

- A. Amazon ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Amur
- C. Congo

A. CORRECT: the Amazon is the longest river in the world by the commonly used measure (about 6,400 km, slightly longer than the Nile on the measure this paper uses).

B. WRONG: the Amur (about 4,400 km) is far shorter than the Amazon.

C. WRONG: the Congo (about 4,700 km) is far shorter than the Amazon.

D. WRONG: the Lena (about 4,400 km) is far shorter than the Amazon.

Question 2 Biology (Hormones)

In human body, which one of the following hormones regulates blood calcium and phosphate?

- A. Glucagon
- B. Growth hormone
- C. Parathyroid hormone ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Thyroxin

A. WRONG: glucagon raises blood glucose, it does not regulate calcium and phosphate.

B. WRONG: growth hormone promotes growth, it does not regulate blood calcium and phosphate.

C. CORRECT: parathyroid hormone (PTH) regulates blood calcium and phosphate levels.

D. WRONG: thyroxin regulates the metabolic rate, not blood calcium and phosphate.

Question 3 Biology (Insects)

How do most insects respire?

- A. Through skin
- B. Through gills
- C. By lungs

tracheal system ✓ **Correct answer**

A. WRONG: insects do not breathe through their skin; that is how some amphibians and worms respire.

B. WRONG: gills are the respiratory organs of fish and other aquatic animals, not of most insects.

C. WRONG: insects have no lungs; lungs belong to vertebrates.

D. CORRECT: most insects respire through a network of air tubes (tracheae) opening at spiracles.

Question 4 Biology (Liver)

Production of which one of the following is a function of the liver?

- A. Lipase
- B. Urea ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Mucus
- D. Hydrochloric acid

A. WRONG: lipase is an enzyme produced mainly by the pancreas, not by the liver.

B. CORRECT: the liver converts ammonia to urea in the urea cycle.

C. WRONG: mucus is secreted by mucous membranes, not produced by the liver.

D. WRONG: hydrochloric acid is secreted by the stomach lining, not by the liver.

Question 5 Biology (Enzymes)

Which one of the following is not a digestive enzyme in the human system?

- A. Gastrin ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Trypsin
- C. Ptyalin

A. CORRECT: gastrin is a hormone that stimulates acid secretion; it is not a digestive enzyme.

B. WRONG: trypsin is a digestive enzyme (a protease) in the small intestine.

C. WRONG: ptyalin (salivary amylase) is a digestive enzyme in saliva.

D. WRONG: pepsin is a digestive enzyme in the stomach.

Question 6 Law (Criminal Procedure)

A second class magistrate can give the sentence of imprisonment for a term not exceeding:-

- A. One month
- B. Three months
- C. One year ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Three years

A. WRONG: one month is below the second class magistrate's sentencing limit.

B. WRONG: three months is below the second class magistrate's sentencing limit.

C. CORRECT: under the Criminal Procedure Code 1898 a second class magistrate may pass a sentence of imprisonment up to one year.

D. WRONG: three years exceeds the second class magistrate's limit (that is the first class magistrate's limit).

Question 7 Law (Constitutional)

In which of the following constitutional cases, Kelson's theory of 'Doctrine of Necessity' was first applied in Pakistan:-

- A. The State Vs. Dosso ✓ **Correct answer**

- C. Maulvi Tamizuddin Khan Vs. Federation of Pakistan
- D. Begum Nusrat Bhutto Vs Federation of Pakistan

A. CORRECT: Dosso (1958) was the first Pakistani case to apply Kelsen's theory of the Doctrine of Necessity, validating the 1958 martial law.

B. WRONG: Asma Jilani (1972) rejected the Doctrine of Necessity and held Yahya Khan's martial law illegal.

C. WRONG: Tamizuddin (1955) concerned the Governor-General's assent to legislation, not the Doctrine of Necessity.

D. WRONG: Nusrat Bhutto (1977) applied the doctrine, but it was not the first application — Dosso (1958) was.

Note: Note: PRINTED-KEY CORRECTION — the source keys D; the correct answer is A. Decided by assistant under owner's 8 Nov 2026 delegation.

Question 8 Education

Pedagogy is a science of:-

- A. Bodily diseases
- B. Stamp collecting
- C. Languages
- D. Teaching ✓ **Correct answer**

A. WRONG: the study of bodily diseases is pathology, not pedagogy.

B. WRONG: stamp collecting is philately, not pedagogy.

C. WRONG: the study of languages is linguistics, not pedagogy.

D. CORRECT: pedagogy is the science and art of teaching.

9 Mathematics

A man is five years older than his wife who is ten times as old as her daughter. If the daughter attains the age of eight in three years' time, what is the age of the man?

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

A. WRONG: the daughter is 5 now (8 in three years), the wife is 50, and the man is 55, not 45.

B. CORRECT: the daughter is 8 − 3 = 5 now; the wife is 10 × 5 = 50; the man is 50 + 5 = 55.

C. WRONG: the working gives 55, not 60.

D. WRONG: the working gives 55, not 65.

Question 10 Mathematics

If 40 per cent of women are voters and 52 per cent of the population are women, what per cent of the population are women voters?

- A. 18.1%
- B. 20.8% ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. 26.6%
- D. 38.2%

A. WRONG: 40% of 52% is 20.8%, not 18.1%.

B. CORRECT: 40% × 52% = 0.40 × 52 = 20.8% of the population.

C. WRONG: 40% of 52% is 20.8%, not 26.6%.

D. WRONG: 40% of 52% is 20.8%, not 38.2%.

11 Everyday Science

The main cause of earthquakes is:-

- A. Sudden cooling and contraction of the earth's surface.
- B. Coming into activity of some dormant volcanoes.
- C. Due to internal heat, sometimes water changes into steam and expands.
- D. All of these ✓ **Correct answer**

A. PARTLY TRUE: this is one of the three causes the period textbooks list, but it is not the whole answer on its own.

B. PARTLY TRUE: volcanic activity can cause earthquakes, but it is only one of the listed causes.

C. PARTLY TRUE: steam expansion from internal heat is one of the listed causes, but only one of them.

D. CORRECT AS PICK-ONE: the period textbook answer treats all three listed causes together as the main cause of earthquakes; the modern answer (tectonic plate movement) is not offered.

Note: Note: PICK-ONE — no key is marked in the source for this item. Decided by assistant under owner's 8 Nov 2026 delegation.

Question 12 General Knowledge

Which of the following statement is NOT true?

- A. Chechens are fighting against Russian subjugation.
- B. Daghistanis are Christians living near Chechnya's neighbourhood. ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Grozny is the capital of Chechnya.
- D. Daghistan is a Muslim dominated area in Russian federation.

A. WRONG AS THE ANSWER: this is a true statement (the Chechen conflict with Russia), so

NOT true" one.

B. CORRECT: this is NOT true — Dagestan is about 83% Muslim (2012 survey), mostly Sunni, not Christian.

C. WRONG AS THE ANSWER: Grozny is indeed the capital of Chechnya, so this statement is true.

D. WRONG AS THE ANSWER: this is a true statement (Dagestan is Muslim-majority), so it is not the "NOT true" one.

Note: Note: PRINTED-KEY CORRECTION — the source keys D; the correct answer is B. Decided by assistant under owner's 8 Nov 2026 delegation.

Question 13 General Knowledge

After USA which country is the second biggest arms seller in the world?

- A. Britain
- B. Russia ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. France
- D. Germany

A. WRONG: Britain was not the second-biggest arms seller in 2008; Russia was.

B. CORRECT: in 2008 Russia was the world's second-biggest arms exporter after the USA.

C. WRONG: France ranked below Russia as an arms seller in 2008.

D. WRONG: Germany ranked below Russia as an arms seller in 2008.

Question 14 Pakistan Studies

During the period of martial law (1977-85) the Constitution of 1973 was:-

- A. Abrogated
- B. Held in abeyance ✓ **Correct answer**

- D. None of the above

A. WRONG: the 1973 Constitution was not abrogated in 1977; it was suspended.

B. CORRECT: General Zia-ul-Haq's 1977 martial law held the 1973 Constitution in abeyance (suspended, not repealed).

C. WRONG: the Constitution was held in abeyance as a whole; "partially abrogated" is not the standard description.

D. WRONG: "held in abeyance" (B) is the correct description.

Note: Note: PRINTED-KEY CORRECTION — the source keys C; the correct answer is B. Decided by assistant under owner's 8 Nov 2026 delegation.

Question 15 Computer

Digital Computer was invented by:-

- A. Vannevor Bush
- B. John Harrison
- C. M. R. Bissel
- D. Howard Aiken ✓ **Correct answer**

A. WRONG: Vannevar Bush built the differential analyser, an analogue machine, not the digital computer.

B. WRONG: John Harrison was a clockmaker (the marine chronometer), not the inventor of the digital computer.

C. WRONG: Bissel is not associated with the invention of the digital computer.

D. CORRECT: Howard Aiken built the Harvard Mark I (1944), the first large-scale automatic digital computer, and is the standard bank answer for this stem.

16 Accounting

Which of the following is not an asset?

- A. Buildings
- B. Debtors
- C. Loan from a bank ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Cash balance

A. WRONG AS THE ANSWER: buildings are fixed assets.

B. WRONG AS THE ANSWER: debtors (amounts owed to the business) are current assets.

C. CORRECT: a bank loan is a liability (money the business owes), not an asset.

D. WRONG AS THE ANSWER: cash is a current asset.

Question 17 General Knowledge

What is the traditional name for a 30th anniversary?

- A. Ruby
- B. Pearl ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Sapphire
- D. Diamond

A. WRONG: ruby is the traditional name for the 40th anniversary.

B. CORRECT: pearl is the traditional name for the 30th anniversary.

C. WRONG: sapphire is the traditional name for the 45th anniversary.

D. WRONG: diamond is the traditional name for the 60th anniversary (75th in some lists).

Question 18 General Knowledge

Which newspaper used to have the nickname of The Thundered?

Daily Telegraph

- B. New York Times
- C. The Washington Post
- D. The Times ✓ **Correct answer**

A. WRONG: the Daily Telegraph was not nicknamed "The Thunderer".

B. WRONG: the New York Times was not nicknamed "The Thunderer".

C. WRONG: the Washington Post was not nicknamed "The Thunderer".

D. CORRECT: The Times of London was famously nicknamed "The Thunderer" (the source prints "Thundered").

Question 19 English

If a pole in the ground is leaning over at an angle, it could be said to be:

- A. Oblique ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Horizontal
- C. Vertical
- D. None of these

A. CORRECT: oblique means slanting or at an angle, which describes a leaning pole.

B. WRONG: horizontal means flat or level, the opposite of a leaning pole.

C. WRONG: vertical means upright, the opposite of a leaning pole.

D. WRONG: "oblique" (A) describes the pole.

Question 20 Philosophy

Who said: “The philosophers have only interpreted the world, in various ways; the point, however, is to change it”?

- A. Margaret Thatcher

Marx ✓ Correct answer

- C. Martin Luther King
- D. Abraham Lincoln

A. WRONG: Thatcher did not write this; it is Marx's eleventh thesis on Feuerbach.

B. CORRECT: this is Marx's eleventh Thesis on Feuerbach (1845).

C. WRONG: King did not write this; it is Marx's eleventh thesis on Feuerbach.

D. WRONG: Lincoln did not write this; it is Marx's eleventh thesis on Feuerbach.

Question 21 General Knowledge

"Ramallah" is the headquarters of Palestinian Authority located in:

- A. West Bank ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Gaza strip
- C. Egypt
- D. Jordan

A. CORRECT: Ramallah is in the West Bank and is the administrative headquarters of the Palestinian Authority.

B. WRONG: Gaza is a separate territory; Ramallah is not there.

C. WRONG: Ramallah is not in Egypt.

D. WRONG: Ramallah is not in Jordan.

Question 22 History

The French Revolution began in the year:

- A. 1770
- B. 1788
- C. 1789 ✓ **Correct answer**

A. WRONG: the French Revolution began in 1789, not 1770.

B. WRONG: 1788 was the year before the Revolution; it began in 1789.

C. CORRECT: the French Revolution began in 1789 (the storming of the Bastille, 14 July 1789).

D. WRONG: 1789 (C) is the correct year.

Question 23 History

The Declaration of Independence of USA which renounced on

- A. July 25, 1796
- B. August 14,1766
- C. July 4,1776 ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. August 4, 1786

A. WRONG: the Declaration of Independence was adopted on 4 July 1776, not 25 July 1796.

B. WRONG: the Declaration of Independence was adopted on 4 July 1776, not 14 August 1766.

C. CORRECT: the US Declaration of Independence was adopted on 4 July 1776 (the stem is terse as printed).

D. WRONG: the Declaration of Independence was adopted on 4 July 1776, not 4 August 1786.

Question 24 General Knowledge (European Union)

What description is NOT correct about the European Council?

- A. Its primary role is to propose and implement legislation ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. It is a meeting of the heads of state

also known as the European summit

- D. There approx. 4 meeting every year

A. CORRECT: this is NOT correct about the European Council — proposing legislation is the European Commission's role, and the European Council does not exercise legislative functions.

B. WRONG AS THE ANSWER: this is correct — the European Council is a meeting of the heads of state or government of the member states.

C. WRONG AS THE ANSWER: this is correct — European Council meetings are commonly called EU summits.

D. WRONG AS THE ANSWER: this is correct — the European Council meets at least twice every six months, about four times a year.

Note: Note: PRINTED-KEY CORRECTION — the source keys B; the correct answer is A. Decided by assistant under owner's 8 Nov 2026 delegation.

Question 25 General Knowledge

What was martial artist Bruce Lee's birth name?

- A. Lee Chin Go
- B. Lee Yao Sun
- C. Lee Yuen Kam
- D. Lee Ming Na

No answer is given for this question, and none is taught. NO CORRECT OPTION — DEFECTIVE-excluded (decided by assistant under owner's 8 Nov 2026 delegation)

A. Lee Chin Go is not Bruce Lee's birth name.

B. Lee Yao Sun is not Bruce Lee's birth name.

C. Lee Yuen Kam was a student name Bruce Lee used at La Salle College, not his birth

D. Lee Ming Na is not Bruce Lee's birth name.

Question 26 Science

Who was the first scientist to observe bacteria through a lens?

- A. Carolus Linnaeus
- B. Anton van Leeuwenhoek ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Gregor Mendel
- D. Galileo Galilei

A. WRONG: Linnaeus classified plants and animals; he did not first observe bacteria.

B. CORRECT: Leeuwenhoek first observed bacteria (which he called "animalcules") through his microscope in the 1670s.

C. WRONG: Mendel worked on heredity in peas, not on bacteria.

D. WRONG: Galileo worked on astronomy and physics, not on bacteria.

Question 27 General Knowledge

What is a shawm?

- A. a bird
- B. a type of horse
- C. a flower
- D. a musical instrument ✓ **Correct answer**

A. WRONG: a shawm is not a bird.

B. WRONG: a shawm is not a horse.

C. WRONG: a shawm is not a flower.

a shawm is a medieval double-reed wind instrument, an ancestor of the oboe.

Question 28 Literature

Who wrote “the proletarians have nothing to lose but their chains?”

- A. Vladimir lllyich Lenin
- B. Leon Trotsky
- C. Karl Marx ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Josef Stalin

A. WRONG: Lenin did not write this line; it is from Marx and Engels' Communist Manifesto.

B. WRONG: Trotsky did not write this line; it is from the Communist Manifesto.

C. CORRECT: "Working men of all countries, unite! You have nothing to lose but your chains" closes the Communist Manifesto (1848) by Marx and Engels.

D. WRONG: Stalin did not write this line; it is from the Communist Manifesto.

Question 29 Pakistan Studies

Which Hindu Leader supported ‘Pakistan Resolution’?

- A. Raj Gopalacharia ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Abul Kalam Azad
- C. M.K. Gandhi
- D. Lala Lajpat Rai

A. CORRECT: C. Rajagopalachari supported the demand for Pakistan and put forward the C.R. Formula (1944) accepting the principle of Pakistan.

B. WRONG: Azad opposed the partition and the Pakistan demand.

C. WRONG: Gandhi opposed the partition and the Pakistan demand.

Lajpat Rai did not support the Pakistan Resolution (he died in 1928, before it).

Question 30 Computer

SIM stands for:

- A. Single in-line module
- B. Single in-line memory
- C. Subscriber identity module ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. None of these

A. WRONG: SIM (the memory module) is a different expansion — that is "SIMM", not SIM.

B. WRONG: that describes SIMM memory modules, not the SIM card.

C. CORRECT: SIM stands for Subscriber Identity Module, the card that identifies a mobile subscriber.

D. WRONG: "Subscriber identity module" (C) is the correct expansion.

Question 31 Pakistan Studies

Who participated in all the three sessions of the Round Table Conference (1930 -1932)?

- A. Fatima Jinnah
- B. Annie Besant
- C. Jahan Ara Gul
- D. Begum Jahan Ara Shah Nawaz ✓ **Correct answer**

A. WRONG: Fatima Jinnah did not attend all three Round Table Conference sessions.

B. WRONG: Annie Besant did not attend all three sessions.

C. WRONG: this is not the delegate who attended all three sessions.

D. CORRECT: Begum Jahan Ara Shah Nawaz was the woman delegate who participated in all three sessions (1930, 1931 and 1932).

32 History

George Washington was succeeded by:

- A. Thomas Jefferson
- B. John Hamilton
- C. John Adams ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. None of the above

A. WRONG: Jefferson was the third President, after John Adams.

B. WRONG: there was no President John Hamilton; Alexander Hamilton was never President.

C. CORRECT: John Adams succeeded George Washington as the second President of the USA (1797).

D. WRONG: John Adams (C) succeeded Washington.

Question 33 General Knowledge

In an Island near Alexandria an ancient wonder “The pharaohs of Alexandria” is situated. What is it?

- A. A light House ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Hanging Garden
- C. Great Wall
- D. A Wall

A. CORRECT: the Pharos of Alexandria, on the island of Pharos near Alexandria, was a lighthouse and one of the Seven Wonders.

B. WRONG: the Hanging Gardens were in Babylon, not near Alexandria.

C. WRONG: the Great Wall is in China, not near Alexandria.

D. WRONG: the wonder near Alexandria was the Pharos lighthouse, not a wall.

In Italy, which famous wonder is located?

- A. Hanging Garden
- B. Leaning Tower ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Great Wall
- D. Budha Statue

A. WRONG: the Hanging Gardens were in Babylon, not Italy.

B. CORRECT: the Leaning Tower of Pisa is in Italy.

C. WRONG: the Great Wall is in China, not Italy.

D. WRONG: no famous wonder of this kind is the Italian one named here.

Question 35 History

Algeria got Independence in 1962 from

- A. France ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Portugal
- C. Britain
- D. America

A. CORRECT: Algeria became independent from France in 1962 (5 July 1962).

B. WRONG: Algeria was not a Portuguese colony.

C. WRONG: Algeria was not a British colony.

D. WRONG: Algeria was not an American colony.

Question 36 History

Where Ikhwan As-safa (Brethern of purity) was founded?

hdad Iraq

- B. Basra, Iraq ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Tehran, Iran
- D. Ankara, Turkey

A. WRONG: the Ikhwan al-Safa (Brethren of Purity) were based in Basra, not Baghdad.

B. CORRECT: the Brethren of Purity (Ikhwan al-Safa) flourished in Basra in the 10th century.

C. WRONG: the group was not founded in Tehran.

D. WRONG: the group was not founded in Ankara.

Question 37 General Knowledge

What do King Tonkin, Duchess of Oldenburg and Rambo have in common?

- A. They all died at sea
- B. Films nominated for an Oscar
- C. They all are revolutionaries
- D. They are varieties of apples ✓ **Correct answer**

A. WRONG: these are names of apple varieties, not people who died at sea.

B. WRONG: these are apple varieties, not films.

C. WRONG: these are apple varieties, not revolutionaries.

D. CORRECT: King Tonkin, Duchess of Oldenburg and Rambo are all cultivars (varieties) of apple.

Question 38 General Knowledge

Name the most widely spoken family of languages in the world. About 1.7 billion people speak these languages?

- ~~o-European Languages~~ ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Indo-Aryan Languages
- C. Indo-Asian Languages
- D. None of these

A. CORRECT: Indo-European is the most widely spoken language family in the world (about 1.7 billion speakers at the time of the paper).

B. WRONG: Indo-Aryan is only a branch of Indo-European, not the whole family.

C. WRONG: there is no language family of this name.

D. WRONG: Indo-European (A) is the correct family.

Question 39 History

Transformation of Britain from a mainly agricultural society to a mainly industrial society took place in the period from 1760 to 1840. What is called this transformation?

- A. Enlightenment
- B. Industrial Revolution ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Renaissance
- D. Imperialism

A. WRONG: the Enlightenment was an intellectual movement, not Britain's industrial transformation.

B. CORRECT: the change from an agricultural to an industrial society in Britain (c. 1760–1840) is the Industrial Revolution.

C. WRONG: the Renaissance was a cultural revival of the 14th–17th centuries, not this transformation.

D. WRONG: imperialism is the expansion of empires, not this transformation.

40 History

Indus valley civilization was one of the four earliest ancient civilizations of the old world. Where was it developed about 2500 BC?

- A. NW of the Indian subcontinent ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. West of the Indian subcontinent
- C. South of the Indian subcontinent
- D. Central Asia

A. CORRECT: the Indus Valley Civilization developed in the north-west of the Indian subcontinent (the Indus river plain, present-day Pakistan and north-west India).

B. WRONG: the civilization was in the north-west, not simply the west.

C. WRONG: the civilization was in the north-west, not the south.

D. WRONG: the civilization was in the Indus plain, not Central Asia.

Question 41 General Knowledge

What is the most popular pedigree cat breed in both the US and Britain?

- A. Siamese
- B. Persian ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Burmese
- D. Domestic

A. WRONG: the Siamese was not the most popular pedigree breed in the US and Britain at the time of the paper.

B. CORRECT: the Persian was the most popular pedigree cat breed in both the US and Britain at the time of the paper (judged by the exam date, 2008).

C. WRONG: the Burmese was not the most popular pedigree breed at the time.

D. WRONG: "domestic" is not a pedigree breed.

42 General Knowledge

The job of the sophisticated unmanned US spacecraft Voyager was:

- A. To examine Jupiter
- B. To examine Saturn
- C. To examine the Uranus
- D. All of these ✓ **Correct answer**

A. PARTLY TRUE: the Voyagers did examine Jupiter, but that was not their whole job.

B. PARTLY TRUE: the Voyagers did examine Saturn, but that was not their whole job.

C. PARTLY TRUE: Voyager 2 did examine Uranus, but that was not the whole job.

D. CORRECT: Voyager 2 flew by Jupiter (1979), Saturn (1981) and Uranus (1986), so it examined all three.

Note: Note: PRINTED-KEY CORRECTION — the source keys C; the correct answer is D. Decided by assistant under owner's 8 Nov 2026 delegation.

Question 43 General Knowledge

In 1977, USA launched two Voyagers. When they passed Jupiter and sent back colour pictures and other information about the planet and its moons?

- A. 1978
- B. 1980
- C. 1979 ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. 1977

A. WRONG: the Voyagers reached Jupiter in 1979, not 1978.

B. WRONG: the Voyagers reached Jupiter in 1979, not 1980.

C. CORRECT: Voyager 1 flew by Jupiter in March 1979 and Voyager 2 in July 1979, sending back colour pictures.

1977 was the launch year, not the Jupiter flyby year.

Question 44 History

What is commonly known the series of scandals in America involving President Richard Nixon and his administration?

- A. Watergate scandal ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Nixon Scandal
- C. Serial Scandal
- D. None of these

A. CORRECT: the Nixon administration scandals are collectively known as the Watergate scandal.

B. WRONG: the scandals are not commonly called the "Nixon Scandal".

C. WRONG: there is no such name for these scandals.

D. WRONG: "Watergate scandal" (A) is the common name.

Question 45 General Knowledge

Name of boundary line between India and China is:

- A. Radcliffe Line
- B. Green Line
- C. Control Line
- D. McMahan Line ✓ **Correct answer**

A. WRONG: the Radcliffe Line is the boundary between India and Pakistan, not India and China.

B. WRONG: the Green Line is not the India–China boundary.

C. WRONG: the Line of Control is between India and Pakistan in Kashmir, not the India–

D. CORRECT: the McMahon Line (printed "McMahan Line" in the source) is the boundary line between India and China.

Question 46 History

Napoleon is known as “Man of Destiny” and “Little Corporal”. Who is called the Man of “Iron and Blood”

- A. Prince Bismarck ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. US President Ford
- C. Lenin
- D. Karl Mark

A. CORRECT: Otto von Bismarck is called the "Man of Iron and Blood" (from his 1862 "Blood and Iron" speech).

B. WRONG: Gerald Ford was not called the Man of Iron and Blood.

C. WRONG: Lenin was not called the Man of Iron and Blood.

D. WRONG: Karl Marx was not called the Man of Iron and Blood.

Question 47 General Knowledge

Dragon is the symbol of china and the “Bear" is the symbol of:

- A. Poland
- B. USA
- C. Russia ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Romania

A. WRONG: Poland's symbol is the white eagle, not the bear.

B. WRONG: the USA's symbol is the bald eagle, not the bear.

the bear is the traditional symbol of Russia.

D. WRONG: Romania's symbol is not the bear.

Question 48 History

Herodotus is called the father of history. To which country did he belong?

- A. Rome
- B. Britain
- C. Spain
- D. Greek ✓ **Correct answer**

A. WRONG: Herodotus was Greek, not Roman.

B. WRONG: Herodotus was Greek, not British.

C. WRONG: Herodotus was Greek, not Spanish.

D. CORRECT: Herodotus (c. 484–425 BC) was a Greek historian from Halicarnassus.

Question 49 Literature

Who is called the father of comedy?

- A. Aristotle
- B. Aristophanes ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Potomy
- D. None of these

A. WRONG: Aristotle wrote on comedy but is not called its father.

B. CORRECT: Aristophanes, the ancient Greek playwright, is called the father of comedy.

C. WRONG: there is no such figure called the father of comedy.

D. WRONG: Aristophanes (B) is the father of comedy.

50 History

To which country Christopher Columbus did belong?

- A. Italy ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Spain
- C. Britain
- D. Portugal

A. CORRECT: Christopher Columbus was born in Genoa, Italy (though he sailed for Spain).

B. WRONG: Columbus sailed for Spain but was born in Italy.

C. WRONG: Columbus did not belong to Britain.

D. WRONG: Columbus did not belong to Portugal.

Question 51 Art

Whose creation is the famous painting "Mona Liza"?

- A. Romalo
- B. Picasso
- C. Leonardo da vinic ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Richard Leonardo

A. WRONG: there is no famous painter "Romalo" who painted the Mona Lisa.

B. WRONG: Picasso did not paint the Mona Lisa.

C. CORRECT: Leonardo da Vinci (printed "da vinic" in the source) painted the Mona Lisa.

D. WRONG: there is no painter "Richard Leonardo" who painted the Mona Lisa.

Question 52 History

What Louis Phillip of France was called?

- B. Citizen King ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Slave King
- D. Student King

A. WRONG: Louis-Philippe was not called the "Great King".

B. CORRECT: Louis-Philippe of France was known as the "Citizen King" (he ruled 1830–1848 after the July Revolution).

C. WRONG: Louis-Philippe was not called the "Slave King".

D. WRONG: Louis-Philippe was not called the "Student King".

Question 53 History

Which of the following is known as "The Bible of English Constitution"?

- A. Magna Carta ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. British Constitution
- C. US Constitution
- D. None of them

A. CORRECT: the Magna Carta (1215) is known as the "Bible of the English Constitution".

B. WRONG: the British Constitution as a whole is not called the "Bible of the English Constitution".

C. WRONG: the US Constitution is not the "Bible of the English Constitution".

D. WRONG: the Magna Carta (A) is known as the "Bible of the English Constitution".

Question 54 General Knowledge

In which year the Noble Prize was first awarded?

- A. 1905

- C. 1901 ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. 1902

A. WRONG: the Nobel Prize was first awarded in 1901, not 1905.

B. WRONG: the Nobel Prize was first awarded in 1901, not 1903.

C. CORRECT: the first Nobel Prizes were awarded in 1901.

D. WRONG: the Nobel Prize was first awarded in 1901, not 1902.

Question 55 General Knowledge

How many days were there in February 1992?

- A. 30
- B. 28
- C. 27
- D. 29 ✓ **Correct answer**

A. WRONG: February never has 30 days.

B. WRONG: February has 28 days in a common year, but 1992 was a leap year.

C. WRONG: February never has 27 days.

D. CORRECT: 1992 was a leap year, so February 1992 had 29 days.

Question 56 Geography

Everest is the world's highest mountain – what is the name of the second highest?

- A. K2 ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Annapurna
- C. Nanga Parbat
- D. Chimborazo

K2 (8,611 m) is the world's second-highest mountain after Everest.

B. WRONG: Annapurna is the tenth-highest mountain, not the second.

C. WRONG: Nanga Parbat is the ninth-highest mountain, not the second.

D. WRONG: Chimborazo is the highest mountain in Ecuador, not the world's second-highest.

Question 57 General Knowledge

Which is Britain's oldest university?

- A. St Andrews
- B. Oxford ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Cambridge
- D. StHelina

A. WRONG: St Andrews (founded 1413) is Scotland's oldest university, but Oxford is older.

B. CORRECT: the University of Oxford (teaching from 1096) is Britain's oldest university.

C. WRONG: Cambridge was founded in 1209, after Oxford.

D. WRONG: there is no university of this name.

Question 58 Geography

Which is the largest fresh-water lake in the world?

- A. Lake Tanganyika
- B. Lake Superior ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Lake Michigan
- D. Lake Super

A. WRONG: Lake Tanganyika is the world's longest freshwater lake, but not the largest by area.

Lake Superior is the largest freshwater lake in the world by surface area.

C. WRONG: Lake Michigan is smaller than Lake Superior.

D. WRONG: there is no lake of this name.

Question 59 General Knowledge

Where are the engines mounted on Concorde?

- A. On one side of the wing
- B. On either side of the fuselage
- C. Under the wings ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. On top of the wings

A. WRONG: Concorde's engines were not mounted on one side of the wing.

B. WRONG: Concorde's engines were not mounted on either side of the fuselage.

C. CORRECT: Concorde's four engines were mounted in two nacelles under the wings.

D. WRONG: Concorde's engines were not mounted on top of the wings.

Question 60 Geography

About how far is it between London and New York?

- A. 4,500 miles
- B. 2,500 miles
- C. 1000 miles
- D. 3,500 miles ✓ **Correct answer**

A. WRONG: London to New York is about 3,500 miles, not 4,500.

B. WRONG: London to New York is about 3,500 miles, not 2,500.

C. WRONG: London to New York is about 3,500 miles, not 1,000.

London to New York is about 3,500 miles (about 5,570 km).

Question 61 General Knowledge

Adelaide city of Australia is famous for

- A. Textile Industry ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Oil refineries
- C. Cricket grounds
- D. None of them

A. CORRECT AS PICK-ONE: the paper's key; South Australia's historic woollen mills (e.g. Onkaparinga in the Adelaide Hills) made textiles an Adelaide industry.

B. WRONG: Adelaide is not known for oil refineries.

C. ALSO FAMOUS: Adelaide Oval is one of the world's famous cricket grounds, so this is a genuine rival answer; the paper's key (A) is kept.

D. WRONG: Adelaide is famous for textiles (A) and cricket grounds (C), so "none of them" fails (the "Directions:" line printed after this option in the source has been stripped).

Note: Note: PICK-ONE — the stem is vague and Adelaide is also famous for its cricket ground. Decided by assistant under owner's 8 Nov 2026 delegation.

Question 62 English (Synonyms)

MORBID

- A. Diseased ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Dying
- C. Irritated
- D. Angry

A. CORRECT: morbid means diseased or unhealthy (in mind or body).

dying" is not the meaning of morbid.

C. WRONG: "irritated" is not the meaning of morbid.

D. WRONG: "angry" is not the meaning of morbid.

Question 63 English (Synonyms)

AUGUR

- A. Heal
- B. Hurt
- C. Signify ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Reform

A. WRONG: "heal" is not a meaning of augur.

B. WRONG: "hurt" is not a meaning of augur.

C. CORRECT: to augur is to signify or foretell (to be a sign of what is to come).

D. WRONG: "reform" is not a meaning of augur.

Question 64 English (Synonyms)

MAUNDER

- A. Warn
- B. Capture
- C. Concentrate
- D. Wander ✓ **Correct answer**

A. WRONG: "warn" is not a meaning of maunder.

B. WRONG: "capture" is not a meaning of maunder.

C. WRONG: "concentrate" is the opposite of maunder (to talk or move aimlessly).

to maunder is to wander or talk aimlessly.

Question 65 English (Synonyms)

JINK

- A. Dodge ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Refrain
- C. Inherit
- D. Travel

A. CORRECT: to "jink" is to dodge or move suddenly to avoid something.

B. WRONG: "refrain" is not the meaning of "jink".

C. WRONG: "inherit" is not the meaning of "jink".

D. WRONG: "travel" is not the meaning of "jink".

Question 66 English (Synonyms)

RELUCTANT

- A. Ready
- B. Willing
- C. Hesitating ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Inclined

A. WRONG: "ready" is the opposite of reluctant.

B. WRONG: "willing" is the opposite of reluctant.

C. CORRECT: reluctant means hesitating, unwilling.

D. WRONG: "inclined" means willing, the opposite of reluctant.

67 English (Synonyms)

INSOLVENT.

- A. Poor
- B. Bankrupt ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Broke
- D. Penniless

A. WRONG: "poor" is close but "bankrupt" is the nearest meaning of insolvent (unable to pay debts).

B. CORRECT: insolvent means bankrupt — unable to pay one's debts.

C. WRONG: "broke" is close but "bankrupt" is the paper's keyed synonym of insolvent.

D. WRONG: "penniless" is close but "bankrupt" is the paper's keyed synonym of insolvent.

Question 68 English (Synonyms)

PARADIGM

- A. Theme
- B. Example ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Proof
- D. Paragone

A. WRONG: "theme" is not the meaning of paradigm.

B. CORRECT: a paradigm is an example or pattern, a model.

C. WRONG: "proof" is not the meaning of paradigm.

D. WRONG: "paragone" is not the meaning of paradigm.

69 English (Synonyms)

ADMIT

- A. Adjourn
- B. Confess ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Relate
- D. Commit

A. WRONG: "adjourn" means to suspend a meeting; it is not a meaning of admit.

B. CORRECT: to admit is to confess (to acknowledge something, especially a fault).

C. WRONG: "relate" is not a meaning of admit.

D. WRONG: "commit" is not a meaning of admit.

Question 70 English (Synonyms)

DOWDY

- A. Rakish
- B. Elegant
- C. Unstylish ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Corpulent

A. WRONG: "rakish" means dashing, the opposite of dowdy.

B. WRONG: "elegant" is the opposite of dowdy.

C. CORRECT: dowdy means unstylish, shabby in dress.

D. WRONG: "corpulent" means fat; it is not the meaning of dowdy.

Question 71 English (Synonyms)

ASSUAGE

- B. Prohibit
- C. Ease ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Enlarge

A. WRONG: "rub" is not a meaning of assuage.

B. WRONG: "prohibit" is not a meaning of assuage.

C. CORRECT: to assuage is to ease or soothe (pain, grief, hunger).

D. WRONG: "enlarge" is not a meaning of assuage (the "Directions:" line printed after this option in the source has been stripped).

Question 72 English (Synonyms)

He was ingenious enough to know how to get out of the clutches of law.

- A. clever ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. intelligent
- C. alert
- D. cunning

A. CORRECT: "ingenious" means clever, inventive — he was clever enough to escape the law.

B. WRONG: "intelligent" is close, but "clever" is the paper's keyed synonym of ingenious here.

C. WRONG: "alert" is not the meaning of ingenious here.

D. WRONG: "cunning" suggests slyness, but "clever" is the paper's keyed synonym of ingenious here.

73 English (Synonyms)

Everyone in the bazaar turned to stare at the visitor and his preposterous dress.

- A. pompous
- B. vague
- C. absurd ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. strange

A. WRONG: "pompous" means self-important; it is not the meaning of preposterous here.

B. WRONG: "vague" is not the meaning of preposterous.

C. CORRECT: preposterous means absurd, ridiculous — his dress was absurd.

D. WRONG: "strange" is close, but "absurd" is the paper's keyed synonym of preposterous here.

Question 74 English (Synonyms)

Sohaib had got an indication from his friend about the changes in the export market.

- A. a feeling
- B. a hint ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. a guess
- D. a signal

A. WRONG: "a feeling" is not the meaning of "indication" here.

B. CORRECT: an indication is a hint — Sohaib got a hint from his friend.

C. WRONG: "a guess" is not the meaning of "indication" here.

D. WRONG: "a signal" is close, but "a hint" is the paper's keyed synonym (the stray "(e) an ultimatum" printed after this option in the source has been stripped).

75 English (Synonyms)

Those who acquire quick money are impatient to flaunt their wealth and material possessions.

- A. waste
- B. show off ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. hide
- D. squander

A. WRONG: "waste" is not the meaning of flaunt.

B. CORRECT: to flaunt is to show off (wealth, possessions).

C. WRONG: "hide" is the opposite of flaunt.

D. WRONG: "squander" means to waste money, not to show it off.

Question 76 English (Synonyms)

India's attitude towards China has all along been pusillanimous.

- A. generous
- B. cowardly ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. subversive
- D. restrained

A. WRONG: "generous" is not a meaning of pusillanimous.

B. CORRECT: pusillanimous means cowardly, lacking courage.

C. WRONG: "subversive" is not a meaning of pusillanimous.

D. WRONG: "restrained" is not a meaning of pusillanimous.

77 English (Synonyms)

Parents should cultivate in their children the habit of helping others.

- A. propagate
- B. sprout
- C. create
- D. foster ✓ **Correct answer**

A. WRONG: "propagate" means to spread or breed; it is not the meaning of cultivate here.

B. WRONG: "sprout" means to grow shoots; it is not the meaning of cultivate here.

C. WRONG: "create" is close, but "foster" is the paper's keyed synonym of cultivate here.

D. CORRECT: to cultivate a habit is to foster (encourage and develop) it.

Question 78 English (Synonyms)

The recent acts of vandalism in the country cannot be ignored.

- A. disturbance
- B. ravage
- C. provocation
- D. violence ✓ **Correct answer**

A. WRONG: "disturbance" is too weak a word for vandalism.

B. WRONG: "ravage" (to lay waste) is a near-synonym, but the paper's key is "violence".

C. WRONG: "provocation" means incitement, not vandalism.

D. CORRECT AS PICK-ONE: vandalism is violent destruction of property, and the paper keys "violence".

Note: Note: PICK-ONE — "ravage" is a near-synonym. Decided by assistant under owner's 8 Nov 2026 delegation.

79 English (Synonyms)

Bearing to the complaints of the villagers, the father would come and box his ears, and cuff him.

- A. lock
- B. abuse
- C. scold
- D. slap ✓ **Correct answer**

A. WRONG: "lock" is not the meaning of "box his ears, and cuff him".

B. WRONG: "abuse" is too general; the paper keys "slap".

C. WRONG: "scold" means to rebuke verbally, not to box ears.

D. CORRECT: to box someone's ears and cuff them is to slap them.

Question 80 English (Synonyms)

A person unrestrained by the rules, of morality or tradition is called a licentious person.

- A. libertine ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. criminal
- C. loafer-type
- D. freelance

A. CORRECT: a libertine is a person unrestrained by morality or convention — a licentious person.

B. WRONG: a licentious person is not necessarily a criminal.

C. WRONG: a loafer is an idle person, not a licentious one.

D. WRONG: a freelance is a self-employed worker, not a licentious person.

81 English (Synonyms)

The Principal's advice will prove salutary for the students.

- A. encouraging
- B. remarkable
- C. beneficial ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. harmful

A. WRONG: "encouraging" is close, but "beneficial" is the paper's keyed synonym of salutary.

B. WRONG: "remarkable" is not the meaning of salutary.

C. CORRECT: salutary means beneficial (good for health or morals) — this is the last item of the synonym section; the antonym directions printed after option D belong to the next section (Q82 onwards).

D. WRONG: "harmful" is the opposite of salutary, but this item asks for the word nearest in meaning, which is "beneficial" (the "Directions:" line printed after option D in the source has been stripped).

Question 82 English (Antonyms)

PARALLEL

- A. Divergent ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Curved
- C. Random
- D. Wavy

A. CORRECT: divergent (moving apart) is the opposite of parallel (moving in the same direction, never meeting).

B. WRONG: "curved" is not the opposite of parallel.

random" is not the opposite of parallel.

D. WRONG: "wavy" is not the opposite of parallel.

Question 83 English (Antonyms)

STUBBORN

- A. Willing
- B. Consenting
- C. Pliable ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Easy

A. WRONG: "willing" is close, but "pliable" is the paper's keyed opposite of stubborn.

B. WRONG: "consenting" is close, but "pliable" is the paper's keyed opposite of stubborn.

C. CORRECT: pliable (easily bent, flexible) is the opposite of stubborn (unyielding).

D. WRONG: "easy" is not the opposite of stubborn.

Question 84 English (Antonyms)

NOVEL

- A. Formal
- B. Ancient
- C. Customary
- D. Traditional ✓ **Correct answer**

A. WRONG: "formal" is not an opposite of novel (new).

B. WRONG: "ancient" is a plausible opposite of novel, but the paper keys "traditional".

C. WRONG: "customary" is a plausible opposite of novel, but the paper keys "traditional".

D. CORRECT AS PICK-ONE: novel means new or unusual; its opposite is traditional (long-

Note: Note: PICK-ONE — "ancient" and "customary" are also plausible opposites. Decided by assistant under owner's 8 Nov 2026 delegation.

Question 85 English (Antonyms)

ILLUSORY

- A. Real ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Deceptive
- C. Imaginary
- D. Certain

A. CORRECT: real is the opposite of illusory (based on illusion, not real).

B. WRONG: "deceptive" is a synonym of illusory, not its opposite.

C. WRONG: "imaginary" is a synonym of illusory, not its opposite.

D. WRONG: "certain" is not the opposite of illusory.

Question 86 English (Antonyms)

ARID

- A. Plentiful
- B. Productive
- C. Humid ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Agreeable

A. WRONG: "plentiful" is not the opposite of arid.

B. WRONG: "productive" is not the opposite of arid.

C. CORRECT: humid (moist) is the opposite of arid (extremely dry).

'agreeable' is not the opposite of arid.

Question 87 English (Antonyms)

DISPERSE

- A. Collect
- B. Assemble ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Hoard
- D. Save

A. WRONG: "collect" is close, but "assemble" is the paper's keyed opposite of disperse.

B. CORRECT: to assemble (to gather together) is the opposite of to disperse (to scatter).

C. WRONG: "hoard" means to store up, not the opposite of disperse.

D. WRONG: "save" is not the opposite of disperse.

Question 88 English (Antonyms)

IMPULSIVE

- A. Cautious ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Considerate
- C. Clever
- D. Cunning

A. CORRECT: cautious (careful, thinking before acting) is the opposite of impulsive (acting on impulse).

B. WRONG: "considerate" means thoughtful of others, not the opposite of impulsive.

C. WRONG: "clever" is not the opposite of impulsive.

D. WRONG: "cunning" is not the opposite of impulsive.

LIABILITY

- A. Treasure
- B. Debt
- C. Assets ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Property

A. WRONG: "treasure" is not the opposite of liability.

B. WRONG: "debt" is a synonym of liability, not its opposite.

C. CORRECT: assets (what one owns) are the opposite of liabilities (what one owes).

D. WRONG: "property" is close to assets, but "assets" is the paper's keyed opposite of liability.

Question 90 English (Antonyms)

MANAGE

- A. Bungle ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Avail
- C. Direct
- D. Wild

A. CORRECT: to bungle (to do badly) is the opposite of to manage (to handle well).

B. WRONG: "avail" is not the opposite of manage.

C. WRONG: "direct" is a near-synonym of manage, not its opposite.

D. WRONG: "wild" is not the opposite of manage.

91 English (Antonyms)

AUSPICIOUS

- A. Spicy
- B. Unfavourable ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Conspicuous
- D. Condemnatory

A. WRONG: "spicy" is not an opposite of auspicious.

B. CORRECT: unfavourable is the opposite of auspicious (favourable, promising good fortune) (the "Directions:" line printed after option D in the source has been stripped).

C. WRONG: "conspicuous" is not an opposite of auspicious.

D. WRONG: "condemnatory" is not an opposite of auspicious.

Question 92 English (Antonyms)

This is only the tenuous evidence for it.

- A. abundant ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. enough
- C. reasonable
- D. less

A. CORRECT: the opposite of "tenuous" (thin, weak) evidence is abundant evidence.

B. WRONG: "enough" is not the opposite of tenuous here.

C. WRONG: "reasonable" is not the opposite of tenuous here.

D. WRONG: "less" is not the opposite of tenuous here.

93 English (Antonyms)

Vigour and excitement are the prime characteristic of youth.

- A. adolescence
- B. teenage
- C. childhood
- D. senility ✓ **Correct answer**

A. WRONG: adolescence is a synonym of youth, not its opposite.

B. WRONG: teenage is a synonym of youth, not its opposite.

C. WRONG: childhood is close to youth, not its opposite.

D. CORRECT: senility (old age) is the opposite of youth (with its vigour and excitement).

Question 94 English (Antonyms)

I worship him as my ideal.

- A. deify
- B. despise ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. abuse
- D. neglect

A. WRONG: "deify" is a synonym of worship, not its opposite.

B. CORRECT: to despise is the opposite of to worship.

C. WRONG: "abuse" is not the opposite of worship here.

D. WRONG: "neglect" is not the opposite of worship here.

Question 95 English (Antonyms)

The influence of political broadcasts on elections is considerable.

- B. uninfluential
- C. negligible ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. insignificant

A. WRONG: "inadequate" means not enough for a purpose, which is not the opposite of "considerable" (large in amount).

B. WRONG: "uninfluential" is not the opposite of "considerable" here.

C. CORRECT AS PICK-ONE: negligible (so small as to be disregarded) is the direct opposite of considerable.

D. WRONG AS THE ANSWER: "insignificant" is a near-opposite of considerable, but "negligible" is the direct opposite.

Note: Note: PICK-ONE — the printed key A ("inadequate") is not the opposite of "considerable"; "insignificant" is also a near-opposite. Decided by assistant under owner's 8 Nov 2026 delegation.

Question 96 English (Antonyms)

There was not a single bibulous adventurer in our expedition.

- A. fearful
- B. cowardly
- C. sober ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. unenergetie

A. WRONG: "fearful" is not the opposite of bibulous.

B. WRONG: "cowardly" is not the opposite of bibulous.

C. CORRECT: sober (not drunk) is the opposite of bibulous (fond of drink).

D. WRONG: "unenergetie" (unenergetic) is not the opposite of bibulous.

97 English (Antonyms)

The dinner set the presented to me was durable enough.

- A. worn out
- B. fragile ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. light
- D. delicate

A. WRONG: "worn out" is not the opposite of durable here.

B. CORRECT: fragile (easily broken) is the opposite of durable (long-lasting).

C. WRONG: "light" is not the opposite of durable.

D. WRONG: "delicate" is close, but "fragile" is the paper's keyed opposite of durable.

Question 98 English (Antonyms)

His meanness is proverbial

- A. generosity ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. pragmatism
- C. timidity
- D. kindness

A. CORRECT: generosity (willingness to give) is the opposite of meanness (stinginess).

B. WRONG: "pragmatism" is not the opposite of meanness.

C. WRONG: "timidity" is not the opposite of meanness.

D. WRONG: "kindness" is close, but "generosity" is the paper's keyed opposite of meanness (see also Q79 in this paper's synonym section, where meanness means stinginess).

99 English (Antonyms)

Rafique drove to the place by a circuitous route.

- A. short
- B. roundabout
- C. direct ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. obvious

A. WRONG: "short" is close, but "direct" is the paper's keyed opposite of circuitous.

B. WRONG: "roundabout" is a synonym of circuitous, not its opposite.

C. CORRECT: direct is the opposite of circuitous (indirect, roundabout).

D. WRONG: "obvious" is not the opposite of circuitous.

Question 100 English (Antonyms)

The minister gave a public speech on the controversial subject to, precipitate the matter,

- A. defer ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. push
- C. pull
- D. create

A. CORRECT: to defer (to put off) is the opposite of to precipitate (to hasten, to bring about quickly).

B. WRONG: "push" is a near-synonym of precipitate, not its opposite.

C. WRONG: "pull" is not the opposite of precipitate.

D. WRONG: "create" is not the opposite of precipitate.

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