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Question 1 General Knowledge

Study of coins is called:

- A. Coinology
- B. Coinistics
- C. Numismatics ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. None of these

Note: Numismatics is the study or collection of currency, including coins, tokens and

Question 2 Pakistan Studies

Zamindar newspaper was published by:

- A. Maulana Zafar Ali ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Maulana Hasrat Mohani
- C. Abid Ali
- D. None of these

Note: Zamindar was an Urdu newspaper founded and edited by Maulana Zafar Ali Khan.

Question 3 Islamic Studies

How many idols were in Kaaba at Fateh Makkah?

- A. 240 idols
- B. 280 idols
- C. 320 idols
- D. 360 idols ✓ **Correct answer**

Note: There were 360 idols in the Kaaba at the conquest of Makkah, which were removed on the Prophet's order.

Question 4 General Knowledge

Teacher of Plato was:

- A. Archimedes
- B. Socrates ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Aristotle
- D. None of these

Note: Plato was the student of Socrates; Aristotle was in turn Plato's student.

5 General Knowledge

Great philosophers of Greek are Socrates:

- A. Galileo and Aristotle
- B. Plato and Aristotle ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Archimedes and Plato
- D. None of these

Note: Socrates, Plato and Aristotle are the three great philosophers of classical Greece.

Question 6 English

His father does not refrain him FROM:

- A. Playing
- B. Speaking
- C. Movement
- D. Smoking ✓ **Correct answer**

Note: "Refrain from" takes a gerund; smoking is the activity that fits the sentence.

Question 7 General Knowledge

Theory of reward & punishment:

- A. Internalism
- B. Utilitarian ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Interpolation
- D. None of these

Note: Utilitarianism judges actions by their consequences — reward and punishment are its instruments for maximising happiness.

8 Everyday Science

Sunspots were first observed by which among the following?

- A. Thomas Harlot ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Rene Descartes
- C. Isaac Newton
- D. Albert Einstein

Note: Thomas Harriot (spelled "Harlot" in the paper) drew the Moon through a telescope in July 1609 and was among the first to observe sunspots.

Question 9 Everyday Science

Aciduric bacteria survives in which medium?

- A. Acidic ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Neutral
- C. Alkaline
- D. Both A & B

Note: Aciduric (acid-tolerant) bacteria survive in acidic media.

Question 10 Everyday Science

Deficiency of which macro mineral is rare?

- A. Sodium
- B. Magnesium
- C. Chlorine
- D. Phosphorous ✓ **Correct answer**

Note: Phosphorus deficiency is rare because phosphorus is abundant in most diets.

11 General Knowledge

One party system is in:

- A. UK
- B. Canada
- C. France
- D. China ✓ **Correct answer**

Note: China is governed by the Communist Party of China in a one-party system.

Question 12 General Knowledge

Two parties of UK are:

- A. Labour + Tory
- B. Conservative + Labour ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Tory + Conservative
- D. Republican + Labour

Note: The UK's two main parties are the Conservative Party and the Labour Party (Tory is the Conservative Party's nickname).

Question 13 Mathematics

10 × 1.5:

- A. 15 litres ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. 115 litres
- C. 10.5 litres
- D. 20.5 litres

Note: 10 × 1.5 = 15.

14 Mathematics

12×7 = ?

- A. 96
- B. 84 ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. 72
- D. 60

Note: 12 × 7 = 84.

Question 15 Mathematics

The mean proportion of 0.4 and 8.1 is:

- A. 2.4
- B. 18
- C. 1.8 ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. 3.6

Note: The mean proportion is the square root of the product: √(0.4 × 8.1) = √3.24 = 1.8.

Question 16 Pakistan Studies

Lucknow Pact was to:

- A. Settle Hindu-Sikh Disputes
- B. Settle Hindu-Muslim Disputes ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Settle Muslim-Britons Disputes
- D. All of above

Note: The Lucknow Pact (1916) was an agreement between the Indian National Congress and the Muslim League to present joint demands to the British.

17 Pakistan Studies

Gandhi withdrew Khilafat Movement due to:

- A. Muslim-Britishers cooperation
- B. Hindu extremists
- C. Lucknow Pact
- D. Chaura Chauri Incident ✓ **Correct answer**

Note: Gandhi called off the Non-Cooperation Movement after the Chauri Chaura incident of 5 February 1922; the paper attributes the same cause to the Khilafat Movement (see Noted Points).

Question 18 Everyday Science

Arsenal rotation of an object at the center of earth:

- A. Angular
- B. Circular Zigzag
- C. Parallel
- D. None of these

No answer is given for this question, and none is taught. DEFECTIVE — EXCLUDED, no answer taught (decided by assistant under owner's 8 Nov delegation: the stem is garbled and no verifiable concept matches the options; the key ticks B (Circular Zigzag), which is not a physical concept.)

Question 19 Pakistan Studies

Which of the following Sufi Poets tomb is located in Mithon Kot?

- A. Khawaja Ghulam Farid ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Sultan Bahu
- C. Shahbaz Qalandar
- D. None of these

aja Ghulam Farid (1845–1901) is buried at Mithankot (Mithon Kot) in South Punjab.

Question 20 Computer Science

Ctrl + F12 key:

- A. Close word document
- B. Edit word document
- C. Open word document ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. None of these

Note: In Microsoft Word, Ctrl+F12 opens a document (the Open dialog).

Question 21 Computer Science

Which is not an application software?

- A. PowerPoint
- B. Window XP ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Windows Explorer
- D. Microsoft Word

Note: PowerPoint, Word and Windows Explorer are application software; Windows XP is an operating system.

Question 22 General Knowledge

Shudras cast in India perform:

- A. Serving lower jobs ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Serving the nation
- C. Serving mediocre jobs
- D. Nothing

traditional varna system, Shudras were the labouring class serving the other varnas.

Question 23 English

Inclination towards social company is called:

- A. Gravitate
- B. Gravure
- C. Gregarious ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Greeting

Note: Gregarious means fond of company; inclined to be sociable.

Question 24 General Knowledge

CENTO ended in:

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

Note: The Central Treaty Organization (CENTO) was dissolved in 1979 after Iran's revolution.

Question 25 General Knowledge

Finland's capital is:

- A. Glasgow
- B. Oslo
- C. Belgrade
- D. Helsinki ✓ **Correct answer**

Question 26 General Knowledge

End of Black Age is called:

- A. Enharmonic
- B. Enlightenment ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Enjambment
- D. None of these

Note: The Dark Ages (the paper's "Black Age") were followed by the Renaissance and the Enlightenment.

Question 27 General Knowledge

The greatest act in Greek was to:

- A. Sacrifice ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Meditation
- C. Obey
- D. None of these

Note: Sacrifice to the gods was the central act of Greek religion.

Question 28 Pakistan Studies

Day of deliverance observed due to:

- A. End of British rule
- B. End of Congress Ministries ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. End of British atrocities
- D. None of these

Note: The Day of Deliverance (22 December 1939) was observed by the Muslim League

ngress ministries resigned.

Question 29 Pakistan Studies

Khilafat Movement started:

- A. During Chelmsford period ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. During Mayo period
- C. During Minto period
- D. During Linlithgow period

Note: The Khilafat Movement began in 1919, during Lord Chelmsford's viceroyalty (1916–1921).

Question 30 Islamic Studies

Leader of Quraish in Battle of Uhd was:

- A. Utba
- B. Abu Jahl
- C. Abu Sufiyan ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Abu Lahab

Note: Abu Sufyan led the Quraysh at the Battle of Uhud (625 CE); Abu Jahl had been killed at Badr.

Question 31 General Knowledge

Bolshevik 1917 revolution referred to:

- A. Trotsky
- B. Mark Lenin ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Stalin
- D. None of these

1917 Bolshevik Revolution is associated with Lenin (printed "Mark Lenin" in the paper; see Noted Points).

Question 32 General Knowledge

Germany attacked Poland in:

- A. WWII ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Balkan War
- C. WWI
- D. Boer War

Note: Germany invaded Poland on 1 September 1939, starting the Second World War.

Question 33 General Knowledge

Karl Marx said culture changes due to:

- A. Business
- B. Citizenship
- C. Energy
- D. Economy ✓ **Correct answer**

Note: In Marx's materialist theory, the economic base determines the cultural and political superstructure.

Question 34 Geography

Zambezi River belongs to which continent?

- A. Asia
- B. Africa ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Europe
- D. Australia

Zambezi is the fourth-longest river in Africa, flowing through Zambia, Angola, Zimbabwe and Mozambique.

Question 35 General Knowledge

Father of political economy:

- A. Ibn-e-Khaldun ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Ibn-e-Rushd
- C. Ibn-e-Arabi
- D. Ibn-e-Sina

Note: Ibn Khaldun anticipated the discipline in the Muqaddimah (14th century); Adam Smith is the conventional Western "father of political economy" but is not listed.

Question 36 General Knowledge

State comprises of Population, Sovereignty, Territory but not:

- A. Honesty
- B. Culture
- C. Religion ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Power

Note: The four elements of a state are population, territory, government and sovereignty; religion is not one of them.

Question 37 Computer Science

Input device:

- A. Printer
- B. Keyboard
- C. Scanner
- D. Joystick

s given for this question, and none is taught. DEFECTIVE — EXCLUDED, no answer taught (decided by assistant under owner's 8 Nov delegation: the key ticks B (Keyboard), but C (Scanner) and D (Joystick) are also input devices, so there is no unique answer.)

Question 38 General Knowledge

Having no religion, the state is referred as:

- A. Secular ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Fanaticism
- C. Hypocrisy
- D. None of these

Note: A state with no official religion is a secular state.

Question 39 English

To keep things in for yourself irrespective to social revealing:

- A. Hypnotism
- B. Hypnosis
- C. Privacy ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Hideousness

Note: Keeping things to oneself rather than revealing them socially is privacy.

Question 40 General Knowledge

Popular sovereignty lies with:

- A. People ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Government
- C. Upper class
- D. Religion

ar sovereignty means supreme power rests with the people.

Question 41 General Knowledge

Diamond is expensive due to:

- A. Perfect shape
- B. Perfect quality
- C. Having blistering look
- D. Having rare utility making ✓ **Correct answer**

Note: Diamonds are expensive because they are rare; the option is garbled as printed (see Noted Points).

Question 42 Everyday Science

Height is measured by:

- A. Lactometer
- B. Altimeter ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Height meter
- D. None of these

Note: An altimeter measures altitude (height above a reference level).

Question 43 Everyday Science

Going upward, atmospheric pressure:

- A. Decreases ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Changes
- C. Increases
- D. None of these

Note: Atmospheric pressure falls with altitude as the air above becomes thinner.

44 Everyday Science

Which gas resists ultraviolet rays?

- A. Hydrogen
- B. Oxygen
- C. Ozone ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Nitrogen

Note: The ozone layer absorbs most of the Sun's ultraviolet radiation.

Question 45 Everyday Science

Cold drink contains:

- A. Carbon monoxide
- B. Carbon dioxide ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Ammonia
- D. Methane

Note: Carbonated cold drinks contain dissolved carbon dioxide.

Question 46 English

The antonym of 'Fake' is:

- A. Forged
- B. Meagre
- C. Mark-up
- D. Memorial

No answer is given for this question, and none is taught. DEFECTIVE — EXCLUDED, no answer taught (decided by assistant under owner's 8 Nov delegation: the key ticks A (Forged), which is a SYNONYM of fake; none of the options is the antonym, genuine/real.)

47 Geography

Landslide takes place in:

- A. Drifts
- B. Valleys
- C. Mountains ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. All of these

Note: Landslides occur on steep mountain slopes where gravity moves rock and soil downhill.

Question 48 Geography

Summer Monsoon comes from:

- A. India
- B. Arabian Sea ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Afghanistan
- D. China

Note: Pakistan's summer monsoon arrives from the Arabian Sea, bringing moist winds from the south-west.

Question 49 Geography

Pakistan's coastal province(s) is/are:

- A. Punjab and Baluchistan
- B. Punjab and Sindh
- C. Baluchistan and KP
- D. Sindh and Baluchistan ✓ **Correct answer**

Note: Pakistan's coastline runs along Sindh and Balochistan only.

50 Everyday Science

Harmful gas to environment:

- A. Nitrogen
- B. Carbon Dioxide
- C. Carbon Monoxide ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Methane

Note: Carbon monoxide is poisonous and harmful; carbon dioxide and methane are also harmful greenhouse gases, so more than one option is defensible — the book's key records C, which is filed.

Question 51 Everyday Science

Oil & gas we get from:

- A. Carbon fuels
- B. Fossil fuels ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Extinct fuels
- D. Precious fuels

Note: Oil and natural gas are fossil fuels, formed from ancient organic matter.

Question 52 English

Fluctuate antonyms:

- A. Remain Constant ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Not constant
- C. Moving
- D. None of these

Note: To fluctuate is to vary; its opposite is to remain constant.

53 Geography

The place with low rainfall is called:

- A. Alley
- B. Angle
- C. Habitat
- D. Drought ✓ **Correct answer**

Note: A place with persistently low rainfall suffers drought.

Question 54 Computer Science

1 Nibble = :

- A. 16 Bits
- B. 8 Bits
- C. 4 Bits ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. 2 Bits

Note: A nibble is half a byte, i.e. 4 bits.

Question 55 Geography

The coldest place in Pakistan is:

- A. Skardu ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Murree
- C. Chitral
- D. Ghizar

Note: Skardu, in Gilgit-Baltistan, records Pakistan's lowest temperatures.

Question 56 Pakistan Studies

Hiran Minar is situated in:

- B. Sheikhupura ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Gujranwala
- D. Gujrat

Note: Hiran Minar is a 17th-century Mughal complex at Sheikhupura, Punjab.

Question 57 Everyday Science

On sunny day, photosynthesis:

- A. Decreases
- B. Fluctuates
- C. Increases ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. None of these

Note: Photosynthesis increases with sunlight intensity (up to saturation).

Question 58 Geography

The largest country of South America is:

- A. Peru
- B. Brazil ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Argentina
- D. Ecuador

Note: Brazil is the largest country in South America by area and population.

Question 59 General Knowledge

Baltic States got independence from:

- A. Czechoslovakia in 1992
- B. Germany in 1989

- D. USSR in 1991 ✓ **Correct answer**

Note: Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania regained independence from the Soviet Union in 1991.

Question 60 General Knowledge

Fidel Castro was the President of:

- A. Educator
- B. Cuba ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Venezuela
- D. Barbados

Note: Fidel Castro led Cuba from 1959, serving as president from 1976 to 2008.

Question 61 Computer Science

MS Excel has:

- A. Rows & Columns ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Header & Footer
- C. Rows
- D. Columns

Note: A spreadsheet is organised in rows and columns.

Question 62 Computer Science

Which of the following is not a web browser?

- A. Google
- B. MSN
- C. Microsoft Outlook ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Yahoo

Question 63 Geography

Pakistan is linked to China via:

- A. Durand Highway
- B. Karakoram Highway ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Chaman Road
- D. Chitral Highway

Note: The Karakoram Highway links Pakistan to China through the Khunjerab Pass.

Question 64 Pakistan Studies

Pakistan joined UNO on:

- A. 30 Sep. 1947 ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. 30 Oct. 1947
- C. 30 Nov. 1947
- D. 30 Dec. 1947

Note: Pakistan became a member of the United Nations on 30 September 1947.

Question 65 Pakistan Studies

After partition of Bengal, Muslim majority was in:

- A. North
- B. West
- C. East ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. South

Note: After the 1905 partition, East Bengal and Assam had a Muslim majority; after 1947, East Pakistan (East Bengal) had the Muslim majority.

66 General Knowledge

What was the purpose of RCD?

- A. Socio-economic development ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Social development
- C. Economic development
- D. None of these

Note: The Regional Cooperation for Development (RCD, 1964) aimed at the socio-economic development of its members Iran, Pakistan and Turkey.

Question 67 Economics

Factors of productions are:

- A. 6
- B. 4 ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. 3
- D. 2

Note: The four factors of production are land, labour, capital and organisation (entrepreneurship).

Question 68 General Knowledge

UN declaration of Human Rights was signed in:

- A. 1945
- B. 1947
- C. 1948 ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. 1949

Note: The Universal Declaration of Human Rights was adopted by the UN General Assembly on 10 December 1948.

69 Computer Science

Landscape + Portrait is type of:

- A. Page layout ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Document layout
- C. Paragraph layout
- D. None of these

Note: Landscape and portrait are page orientations, i.e. page layout settings.

Question 70 Pakistan Studies

Shah Abdul Latif Bhittai was the poet of:

- A. Baluchistan
- B. Punjab
- C. Sindh ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. KP

Note: Shah Abdul Latif Bhittai is the greatest poet of the Sindhi language.

Question 71 Pakistan Studies

Bahauddin Zakariya's tomb is in which city?

- A. Bahawalpur
- B. Multan ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Pakpattan
- D. Khanewal

Note: The shrine of Bahauddin Zakariya is in Multan, Punjab.

Question 72 Pakistan Studies

Sialkot is famous for:

gical instruments ✓ **Correct answer**

- B. Cement industry
- C. Sugar mills
- D. Textile mills

Note: Sialkot is world-famous for its surgical instruments industry.

Question 73 General Knowledge

Source of International Law is called:

- A. Justiciary
- B. Jurisprudence
- C. Jurisdiction
- D. Jurisconsult

No answer is given for this question, and none is taught. DEFECTIVE — EXCLUDED, no answer taught (decided by assistant under owner's 8 Nov delegation: the key ticks C (Jurisdiction), but none of the options is a source of international law — the sources are treaties, custom, general principles and judicial decisions.)

Question 74 General Knowledge

Morse Code is used in:

- A. Fax
- B. Telegraph ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Telephone
- D. None of these

Note: Morse code was developed for the electric telegraph.

Question 75 Everyday Science

Noise pollution causes:

dache

- B. Blindness
- C. High blood pressure ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. All of these

Note: Noise pollution is linked to high blood pressure; it does not cause blindness, so D is wrong.

Question 76 General Knowledge

American Declaration of Independence via:

- A. Treaty of Paris 1783 ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Treaty of Lisbon 1783
- C. Treaty of Rome 1783
- D. Treaty of Oslo 1783

Note: The Declaration of Independence was adopted in 1776; the Treaty of Paris (1783) ended the Revolutionary War and recognised American independence.

Question 77 Economics

Developed countries try for democracy in other countries to:

- A. Enhance bilateral cooperation
- B. Boost ties
- C. Liberalize trade ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Liberalize the people

Note: Filed as the book's key: developed countries press for democracy abroad to liberalise trade.

Question 78 Economics

Developed countries earn in trade by:

ff ✓ Correct answer

- B. Barriers
- C. Restrictions
- D. Headways

Note: Filed as the book's key: a tariff is a tax on imports/exports and a source of state income.

Question 79 Everyday Science

When electron jumps from lower to upper shell/orbit, it gains which energy?

- A. Centrifugal Energy
- B. Potential Energy ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Kinetic Energy
- D. Centripetal Energy

Note: An electron in a higher shell has higher total energy; the gain is in potential energy, not kinetic energy.

Question 80 General Knowledge

Wood used in furniture is called:

- A. Wood sorrel
- B. Wood stain
- C. Carving
- D. Timber ✓ **Correct answer**

Note: Timber is wood prepared for building and furniture-making.

Question 81 Computer Science

In database, which type holds the single/one type of data?

- B. Field ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Bank
- D. Catalogue

Note: In a database, a field holds a single type of data for each record.

Question 82 Pakistan Studies

The most urbanized province of Pakistan is:

- A. Punjab
- B. KP
- C. Sindh ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Baluchistan

Note: Sindh has the highest urban population share in Pakistan (Karachi and Hyderabad).

Question 83 Mathematics

1km = :

- A. 1000m ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. 100m
- C. 10m
- D. 10000m

Note: 1 kilometre = 1,000 metres.

Question 84 Geography

Kala Chitta Range is famous for:

- A. Limestone
- B. Gypsum

ble ✓ **Correct answer**

- D. Phosphate

Note: Filed as the book's key: the Kala Chitta Range (Attock District) is known for its marble.

Question 85 Pakistan Studies

One of the sources of constitution is based upon:

- A. Islamic Jurisprudence
- B. Islamic Ideology ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Islamic Fiqh
- D. None of these

Note: Filed as the book's key: the Constitution of Pakistan draws on Islamic ideology (Objectives Resolution, 1949).

Question 86 General Knowledge

Countries which seek self/national interest, is a theory:

- A. Realism ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Utilitarianism
- C. Totalitarianism
- D. Unionism

Note: Realism holds that states act in their own national interest.

Question 87 Islamic Studies

Most emphasis in Quran is on:

- A. Jehad
- B. Zakat

naz ✓ **Correct answer**

- D. Hajj

Note: Filed as the book's key: prayer (Namaz/Salat) is the most frequently emphasised act of worship in the Quran.

Question 88 General Knowledge

Foreign entities which affect domestic policy of state:

- A. SOPs
- B. LPGs
- C. WWWs
- D. NGOs ✓ **Correct answer**

Note: Non-governmental organisations can influence a state's domestic policy.

Question 89 General Knowledge

A student studying external affairs with respect to domestic interest:

- A. International Relations
- B. Foreign Policy ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Political Science
- D. Public Relations

Note: Foreign policy is the study and conduct of a state's external affairs in its domestic interest.

Question 90 Pakistan Studies

Who addresses public grievances?

- A. Federal ombudsman ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Federal minister

- D. Federal advocate general

Note: The Federal Ombudsman (Wafaqi Mohtasib) addresses public grievances against federal agencies.

Question 91 Computer Science

Series of instructions through which task can be achieved is:

- A. Integers
- B. Solution
- C. Algorithm ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. None of these

Note: An algorithm is a finite sequence of well-defined instructions to solve a problem.

Question 92 English

Taboo means:

- A. That is commonly not allowed ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. That is commonly allowed
- C. That is commonly practiced
- D. That is commonly understood

Note: A taboo is something socially or religiously prohibited.

Question 93 Pakistan Studies

Princely states were given the option for referendum in:

- A. Simon Commission Report
- B. Cabinet Mission
- C. 3rd June Plan ✓ **Correct answer**

ne of these

Note: The 3rd June Plan (1947) gave the princely states the option to join India or Pakistan.

Question 94 English

If the word 'STOVE' can be written as 'FBLK', how can the word 'VOTES' be written in that code?

- A. FKLBN
- B. BLNFK
- C. LBNKF ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. BLNKF

Note: Filed as the book's key; the cipher rule is not recoverable from the printed item (see Noted Points).

Question 95 Everyday Science

A vaccine is used to kill:

- A. Germs ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Viruses
- C. Diseases
- D. All of these

Note: Filed as the book's key; strictly, vaccines build immunity rather than killing germs (see Noted Points).

Question 96 General Knowledge

USSR established on the basis of Karl Marx ideology, that's based upon:

- A. Secularism
- B. Theology

nomy ✓ **Correct answer**

- D. Capitalism

Note: Marxist ideology holds that the economy (the material base) determines society.

Question 97 General Knowledge

Who said that culture and history change because of economy?

- A. Rousseau
- B. Karl Marx ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Dante
- D. John Dewey

Note: Marx's historical materialism holds that economic conditions drive cultural and historical change.

Question 98 Pakistan Studies

Message in Iqbal's Khudi is to:

- A. Overcome grief
- B. Approach superiors
- C. Dignify yourself ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Regard elders

Note: Iqbal's concept of Khudi (selfhood) in Asrar-i-Khudi calls on the individual to realise and dignify the self.

Question 99 Islamic Studies

Forbidden in Islam:

- A. Stammering
- B. Exercise

- D. Wine ✓ **Correct answer**

Note: Wine (intoxicants) is forbidden (haram) in Islam.

Question 100 Current Affairs

According to a new UN report, which continent could see 300,000 COVID-19 deaths this year?

- A. Asia
- B. Africa ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. North America
- D. Europe

Note: The UN Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA) warned in April 2020 that Africa could see 300,000 COVID-19 deaths that year.

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