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rces, never from the printed key alone.

Question 1 General Knowledge

Which of the following countries has the largest area in the world?

- A. Canada
- B. U.S.A.
- C. Russia ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. China

A. Canada is the second-largest country in the world, not the largest.

B. The U.S.A. ranks fourth by area, behind Russia, Canada and China.

C. Russia is the largest country in the world by area, about 17 million sq km.

D. China ranks third by area, behind Russia and Canada.

Question 2 General Knowledge

Which of the continents has the lowest population growth rate?

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

A. Europe has the lowest population growth rate of the continents, near zero.

B. North America's growth rate is higher than Europe's.

C. Africa has the highest population growth rate, not the lowest.

D. Asia's growth rate is well above Europe's.

3 General Knowledge

Horticulture is the:

- A. Cultivation of flowers and fruits ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Growing of small plants
- C. Cultivation of spices
- D. Savannah grassland

A. Horticulture is the cultivation of flowers, fruits and vegetables.

B. Growing small plants is only a small part of horticulture, not its definition.

C. Spice cultivation is a branch of agriculture, not the definition of horticulture.

D. A savannah is a grassland ecosystem, not horticulture.

Question 4 General Knowledge

Which countries are included in "Benelux"?

- A. Belgium, Netherlands, Norway
- B. Sweden, Belgium, Netherlands
- C. Belgium, Netherlands, Luxembourg ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. None of these

A. Norway is not in Benelux; Luxembourg is the third member.

B. Sweden is not in Benelux; Luxembourg is the third member.

C. Benelux is the union of Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxembourg.

D. Wrong, since Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxembourg are the Benelux members.

Question 5 Pakistan Affairs

“Durand line" is the frontier between:

- B. Pakistan and Afghanistan ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Pakistan and China
- D. China and India

A. The Pakistan-India frontier is the Radcliffe Line, not the Durand Line.

B. The Durand Line (1893) is the frontier between Pakistan and Afghanistan.

C. The Pakistan-China frontier is the Khunjerab border, not the Durand Line.

D. The China-India frontier is the McMahon Line, not the Durand Line.

Question 6 Geography

"Dasht-e-Lut" desert is located in:

- A. China
- B. Libya
- C. Iraq
- D. Iran ✓ **Correct answer**

A. The Dasht-e-Lut is not in China; it is in south-eastern Iran.

B. Libya's great desert is the Libyan Desert, not the Dasht-e-Lut.

C. Iraq's deserts are the Syrian and Arabian deserts, not the Dasht-e-Lut.

D. The Dasht-e-Lut is a large desert in south-eastern Iran.

Question 7 General Knowledge

A country which has no coastline is called:

- A. Balkan Country
- B. Landlocked Country ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Protectorate Country

A. A Balkan country is one in the Balkan region; it may have a coastline.

B. A country with no coastline is called a landlocked country.

C. A protectorate is a state under another state's protection, not a coastless one.

D. There is no such term as a landlord country.

Question 8 Geography

Which of following mountains separate Asia from Europe?

- A. Ural Mountains ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Atlas Mountains
- C. (not served)
- D. (not served)

A. The Ural Mountains are the accepted boundary between Europe and Asia.

B. The Atlas Mountains are in North Africa, not between Europe and Asia.

C. Option C was not served in the reproduction; no option is shown and none was invented.

D. Option D was not served in the reproduction; no option is shown and none was invented.

Note: Note: the source PDF itself shows options C and D blank and mislabels the Atlas Mountains option "(D)"; filed as a two-option item under the 37mr Q76 precedent — A. Ural Mountains, B. Atlas Mountains (mislabelled "(D)" in the source), C. and D. not served.

Question 9 Everyday Science

Day and night changes due to:

- B. Earth’s rotation accompanied with its revolution
- C. Earth's rotation round its axis ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. None of these

A. The Earth's revolution round the Sun causes the seasons, not day and night.

B. Day and night come from rotation alone; revolution is not needed for them.

C. Day and night are caused by the Earth's rotation round its own axis.

D. Wrong, since rotation round the axis is the cause.

Question 10 Everyday Science

The energy generation in stars is due to:

- A. Fission of heavy nuclei
- B. Fusion of light nuclei ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Fusion of heavy nuclei
- D. None of these

A. Fission of heavy nuclei powers nuclear reactors, not stars.

B. Stars shine by the fusion of light nuclei, mainly hydrogen into helium.

C. Fusion of heavy nuclei does not power stars; light nuclei fuse in them.

D. Wrong, since fusion of light nuclei is the cause.

Question 11 General Knowledge

Formosa is the old name of:

- A. Cambodia
- B. Rhodesia
- C. Taiwan ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Cambodia was formerly called Kampuchea, not Formosa.

B. Rhodesia was the old name of Zimbabwe, not Formosa.

C. Formosa is the old Portuguese name for Taiwan.

D. Bangkok is a city in Thailand, not Formosa.

Question 12 General Knowledge

Which of the following combinations is wrong?

- A. Aberdeen: Granite City
- B. Egypt: Gift of Nile
- C. Korea: Hermit Kingdom
- D. Venice: City of Merchants ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Aberdeen is rightly called the Granite City.

B. Egypt is rightly called the Gift of the Nile.

C. Korea was rightly called the Hermit Kingdom.

D. Venice is known as the City of Canals and the Floating City, not the City of Merchants, so this combination is the wrong one.

Note: Note: Venice is called the "City of Merchants" in the GK bank; the stem's combination "City of Merchants" for Venice is the wrong combination, so D is correct.

Question 13 General Knowledge

Johannesburg is famous for the industry of:

- A. Colombo
- B. Gold Mines ✓ **Correct answer**

- D. Diamond Mining

A. Colombo is a city in Sri Lanka, not an industry of Johannesburg.

B. Johannesburg grew around its gold mines and is famous for gold mining.

C. Johannesburg is not a hill station.

D. Diamond mining is associated with Kimberley, not Johannesburg.

Question 14 Geography

London is situated on bank of river:

- A. Delaware River
- B. Nile River
- C. Thames River ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. None of these

A. The Delaware flows in the United States, not through London.

B. The Nile flows through Egypt and Sudan, not London.

C. London stands on the River Thames.

D. Wrong, since London is on the Thames.

Question 15 Geography

The largest ocean of the world is:

- A. Indian Ocean
- B. Arctic Ocean
- C. Pacific Ocean ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. None of these

n Ocean is the third-largest ocean.

B. The Arctic Ocean is the smallest ocean.

C. The Pacific Ocean is the largest ocean in the world.

D. Wrong, since the Pacific is the largest.

Question 16 Geography

Which of the following Sea separates Asia from Africa?

- A. Arabic Sea
- B. Yellow Sea
- C. Red Sea ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. None of these

A. The Arabian Sea lies between Arabia and India; it does not separate Asia from Africa.

B. The Yellow Sea is between China and Korea, far from Africa.

C. The Red Sea separates Asia (Arabia) from Africa.

D. Wrong, since the Red Sea is the separator.

Question 17

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18 Geography

Baglihar Dam is located in Doda district on river:

- A. Indus River
- B. Jhelum River
- C. Chenab River ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Ravi River

A. The Baglihar Dam is not on the Indus; it is on the Chenab.

B. The Baglihar Dam is not on the Jhelum; it is on the Chenab.

C. The Baglihar Dam in Doda district, Jammu and Kashmir, is built on the Chenab River.

D. The Baglihar Dam is not on the Ravi; it is on the Chenab.

Question 19 Geography

Smallest country in Central Asia is:

- A. Tajikistan ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Kazakhstan
- C. Uzbekistan
- D. None of these

A. Tajikistan, about 143,000 sq km, is the smallest Central Asian country.

B. Kazakhstan is the largest Central Asian country, not the smallest.

C. Uzbekistan is larger than Tajikistan.

D. Wrong, since Tajikistan is the smallest.

Question 20 General Knowledge

Who advocated the theory of laissez faire?

- B. Malthus
- C. Adam Smith ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. None of these

A. Alfred Marshall was an economist, but laissez-faire is associated with Adam Smith.

B. Malthus is known for his theory of population, not laissez-faire.

C. Adam Smith advocated laissez-faire in The Wealth of Nations (1776).

D. Wrong, since Adam Smith is the advocate.

Question 21 General Knowledge

Which of the following countries has the largest number of Airports?

- A. India
- B. UK
- C. China
- D. USA ✓ **Correct answer**

A. India has far fewer airports than the USA.

B. The UK has far fewer airports than the USA.

C. China has far fewer airports than the USA.

D. The USA has the largest number of airports in the world.

Question 22 General Knowledge

“Easy Jet” is the airline of:

- A. UK ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Malaysia
- C. Spain

A. easyJet is a British low-cost airline, based in the UK.

B. Malaysia's low-cost carrier is AirAsia, not easyJet.

C. Spain's low-cost carrier is Vueling, not easyJet.

D. Turkey's carriers are Turkish Airlines and Pegasus, not easyJet.

Question 23 General Knowledge

The name United Nations was coined by:

- A. Stalin
- B. F.D Roosevelt ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Winston Churchill
- D. Austin Mills

A. Stalin did not coin the name; it was Roosevelt.

B. President Franklin D. Roosevelt coined the name 'United Nations' in 1942.

C. Churchill used the name, but Roosevelt coined it.

D. There is no such figure behind the name.

Question 24 Current Affairs

Who is secretary general of OIC?

- A. Dr. Ekmeleddin Ihsanoglu ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Tinku Abdur Rehman
- C. Mahatir Muhammad
- D. Abdelouahed Belkeziz

A. Ekmeleddin Ihsanoglu was OIC Secretary-General from 2005 to 2014, covering the 2011

B. No such person has been OIC Secretary-General.

C. Mahathir Mohamad was Prime Minister of Malaysia, not OIC Secretary-General.

D. Abdelouahed Belkeziz was OIC Secretary-General earlier (2001-2004), not in 2011.

Question 25 Everyday Science

The filament of an electric bulb is made of:

- A. Carbon
- B. Iron
- C. Tungsten ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. None of these

A. Carbon is not used for bulb filaments.

B. Iron melts too easily to serve as a filament.

C. Bulb filaments are made of tungsten, which has a very high melting point.

D. Wrong, since tungsten is the filament material.

Question 26 Geography

Which lake is located near Thatta (Sindh)?

- A. Sat Para
- B. Phander
- C. Keenjher ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Hanna

A. Satpara Lake is in Gilgit-Baltistan, not near Thatta.

B. Phander Lake is in Gilgit-Baltistan, not near Thatta.

Lake is near Thatta in Sindh.

D. Hanna Lake is near Quetta, not near Thatta.

Question 27 Geography

The Karakoram Highway starts from Hasan Abdal and ends at:

- A. Sost
- B. Khunjrab
- C. Kashgar ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Sinkiang

A. Sost is a town on the highway in Pakistan, not its end.

B. Khunjerab is the pass on the Pakistan-China border, not the highway's end.

C. The Karakoram Highway runs from Hasan Abdal to Kashgar in China.

D. Sinkiang (Xinjiang) is the region, not the town where the highway ends.

Question 28 Pakistan Affairs

The first airline of Pakistan is:

- A. Pak Airways
- B. Orient Airline ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. PIA
- D. None of these

A. Pak Airways was a later airline, not the first.

B. Orient Airways, founded in 1946, was Pakistan's first airline and became PIA.

C. PIA grew out of Orient Airways; Orient was the first airline.

D. Wrong, since Orient Airways was the first.

29 Pakistan Affairs

Mention the major sugarcane producer province?

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

A. Khyber Pakhtunkhwa grows some sugarcane but is not the major producer.

B. Balochistan is not a major sugarcane producer.

C. Punjab is Pakistan's major sugarcane-producing province.

D. Sindh is the second sugarcane producer, behind Punjab.

Question 30 Geography

The largest Island in Pakistan is:

- A. Omara
- B. Jiwani
- C. Manora
- D. Astola or Jazira Haft Talar ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Omara is not the largest island; Astola is.

B. Jiwani is a coastal town, not the largest island.

C. Manora is a small island near Karachi, not the largest.

D. Astola, also called Jazira Haft Talar, is Pakistan's largest island.

Question 31 Pakistan Affairs

The biggest hydroelectric power source in Pakistan is:

- B. Warsak Dam
- C. Tarbela Dam ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Khanpur Dam

A. Mangla Dam is a major source, but Tarbela is bigger.

B. Warsak is a smaller hydroelectric dam.

C. Tarbela Dam is Pakistan's biggest hydroelectric power source.

D. Khanpur Dam is a small dam, not the biggest source.

Question 32 Current Affairs

For how long Pakistan would get the US aid under Kerry-Lugar bill?

- A. 2 years
- B. 3 years
- C. 8 years
- D. 5 years ✓ **Correct answer**

A. The Kerry-Lugar aid was authorised for five years, not two.

B. The Kerry-Lugar aid was authorised for five years, not three.

C. The Kerry-Lugar aid was authorised for five years, not eight.

D. The Kerry-Lugar Bill authorised US aid to Pakistan for five years.

Question 33 Pakistan Affairs

The border of Pakistan and India between Pakistan's Punjab and Indian Punjab is known as:

- A. Radcliff line ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Durand line

- D. None of these

A. The Radcliffe Line is the Pakistan-India border, including the Punjab stretch.

B. The Durand Line is the Pakistan-Afghanistan border.

C. The 24th Parallel is a maritime boundary line, not the Punjab border.

D. Wrong, since the Radcliffe Line is the border.

Question 34 Geography

The Khyber Pass connects Pakistan with:

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

A. The Khyber Pass connects Pakistan with Afghanistan.

B. Pakistan connects with Iran through the Taftan border, not the Khyber Pass.

C. Pakistan connects with India through Wagah, not the Khyber Pass.

D. Pakistan connects with China through Khunjerab, not the Khyber Pass.

Question 35 Pakistan Affairs

After the death of Liaqat Ali Khan who became the prime minister of Pakistan?

- A. Ayub Khan
- B. Muhammad Ali Bogra
- C. Ghulam Muhammad
- D. Khwaja Nazimuddin ✓ **Correct answer**

n became President later, in 1958, not prime minister in 1951.

B. Muhammad Ali Bogra became prime minister in 1953, not in 1951.

C. Ghulam Muhammad was Governor-General, not prime minister.

D. Khwaja Nazimuddin became prime minister after Liaquat Ali Khan's assassination in 1951.

Question 36 Pakistan Affairs

Women have no representation in National Assembly from:

- A. FATA
- B. Federal Capital
- C. Both of them ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. None of them

A. FATA alone is not the whole answer; the Federal Capital also had no women's seats then.

B. The Federal Capital alone is not the whole answer; FATA also had no women's seats then.

C. As of the 2011 exam date, neither FATA nor the Federal Capital had reserved seats for women in the National Assembly.

D. Wrong, since both FATA and the Federal Capital lacked women's representation then.

Question 37 Pakistan Affairs

Senate of Pakistan is consisting of members after the 18th amendment:

- A. 100
- B. 122
- C. 104 ✓ **Correct answer**

A. The Senate had 100 members before the 18th Amendment raised it.

B. 122 is not the Senate's strength after the 18th Amendment.

C. After the 18th Amendment the Senate's strength became 104 members.

D. 112 is not the Senate's strength after the 18th Amendment.

Question 38 Pakistan Affairs

Where Quaid-e-Azam stayed during his last illness in 1948?

- A. Hanna Lake
- B. Kohlu
- C. Ziarat ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Makran

A. Hanna Lake is a picnic spot near Quetta, not where the Quaid stayed.

B. Kohlu is a town in Balochistan, not where the Quaid stayed.

C. Quaid-e-Azam spent his last days at Ziarat in 1948.

D. Makran is a coastal region, not where the Quaid stayed.

Question 39 Pakistan Affairs

Khewra is famous for

- A. Saltmine ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. shrines
- C. tombs
- D. rock carvings

A. Khewra is famous for its salt mine, the world's second-largest.

not famous for shrines.

C. Khewra is not famous for tombs.

D. Khewra is not famous for rock carvings.

Question 40 Geography

Dasht River is in:

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

A. The Dasht River is not in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.

B. The Dasht River is not in Punjab.

C. The Dasht River is not in Sindh.

D. The Dasht River flows in Balochistan.

Question 41 Geography

What is Manchhar?

- A. A river
- B. A language
- C. Adoaba
- D. A lake ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Manchhar is not a river; it is a lake.

B. Manchhar is not a language.

C. Manchhar is not a doab (the source prints 'Adoaba').

- is a large lake in Sindh.

Note: Note: the source misprints option A as "Ariver"; read as "A river".

Question 42 Pakistan Affairs

"Jinnah: Creator of Pakistan" is written by:

- A. Stanley Wolpert
- B. Bolitho Hector ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Akbar S. Ahmed
- D. Tavieen Singh

A. Stanley Wolpert wrote 'Jinnah of Pakistan', not 'Jinnah: Creator of Pakistan'.

B. Hector Bolitho wrote 'Jinnah: Creator of Pakistan'.

C. Akbar S. Ahmed wrote on Jinnah, but not this book.

D. No such author wrote this book.

Note: Note: the source misprints the title as "Jinnah: Creator of Pakistanis" (missing closing quote); read as "Jinnah: Creator of Pakistan".

Question 43 Pakistan Affairs

The oldest TV station is located in the city of:

- A. Lahore ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Karachi
- C. Dhaka
- D. Rawalpindi

A. Pakistan Television's first and oldest station was set up in Lahore in 1964.

B. Karachi got a PTV station later, not the oldest.

d a station in former East Pakistan, but Lahore's was the first.

D. Rawalpindi's PTV station came later, not the oldest.

Question 44 Pakistan Affairs

When did Pakistan become an Islamic Republic?

- A. 1947
- B. 1949
- C. 1956 ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. 1973

A. Pakistan became independent in 1947, but an Islamic Republic only in 1956.

B. The Objectives Resolution passed in 1949, but the republic came in 1956.

C. Pakistan became an Islamic Republic under the 1956 Constitution.

D. The 1973 Constitution kept the Islamic Republic, but it began in 1956.

Question 45 Pakistan Affairs

Pakistan's major import item is:

- A. Fertilizers
- B. Medicines
- C. Transport goods
- D. Petroleum products ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Fertilizers are imported, but they are not the major import item.

B. Medicines are a small import item.

C. Transport goods are imported, but petroleum is larger.

D. Petroleum products are Pakistan's major import item.

46 Pakistan Affairs

When the first constitution of Pakistan was enforced?

- A. 23rd March, 1956 ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. 24th March, 1956
- C. 25th March. 1956
- D. 26th March, 1956

A. The first Constitution of Pakistan was enforced on 23 March 1956.

B. The first Constitution was enforced on 23 March, not 24 March 1956.

C. The first Constitution was enforced on 23 March, not 25 March 1956.

D. The first Constitution was enforced on 23 March, not 26 March 1956.

Question 47 Pakistan Affairs

How many amendments have been taken in the Constitution of Pakistan?

- A. 17
- B. 19 ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. 20
- D. 12

A. By the 2011 exam date there had been more than 17 amendments.

B. By the 2011 exam date the Constitution had 19 amendments (the 19th passed in late 2010).

C. The 20th Amendment came only in 2012, after the 2011 exam date.

D. By the 2011 exam date there had been far more than 12 amendments.

In which Agreement the Ceasefire Line was named as Line of Control?

- A. Delhi Agreement
- B. Tashkent Agreement
- C. Simla Agreement ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Lahore Agreement

A. The Delhi Agreement did not rename the Ceasefire Line.

B. The Tashkent Agreement (1966) did not rename the Ceasefire Line.

C. The Simla Agreement (1972) renamed the Ceasefire Line as the Line of Control.

D. The Lahore Declaration (1999) did not rename the Ceasefire Line.

Question 49 Geography

In which range Nanga Parbat is situated?

- A. Karakoram
- B. Kirthar
- C. Hindu Kush
- D. Himalayan ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Nanga Parbat is not in the Karakoram; it is in the Himalayas.

B. The Kirthar Range is in Sindh-Balochistan, not Nanga Parbat's range.

C. Nanga Parbat is not in the Hindu Kush; it is in the Himalayas.

D. Nanga Parbat is in the Himalayan range.

Question 50 Geography

The Salt Range is situated between Rivers Soan and:

nab

- B. Kabul
- C. Indus
- D. Jhelum ✓ **Correct answer**

A. The Salt Range lies between the Soan and the Jhelum, not the Chenab.

B. The Salt Range lies between the Soan and the Jhelum, not the Kabul.

C. The Salt Range lies between the Soan and the Jhelum, not the Indus.

D. The Salt Range is situated between the Soan River and the Jhelum River.

Question 51 Pakistan Affairs

Which province of Pakistan is the largest wheat producing province?

- A. Punjab ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Sindh
- C. Khyber Pakhtunekhwa
- D. Balochistan

A. Punjab is Pakistan's largest wheat-producing province.

B. Sindh produces wheat, but less than Punjab.

C. Khyber Pakhtunkhwa produces little wheat compared with Punjab.

D. Balochistan produces little wheat compared with Punjab.

Question 52 Pakistan Affairs

Which province of Pakistan is the largest rice producing province?

- A. Punjab ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Sindh
- C. Khyber Pakhtunekhwa

A. Punjab is Pakistan's largest rice-producing province.

B. Sindh is the second rice producer, behind Punjab.

C. Khyber Pakhtunkhwa grows little rice compared with Punjab.

D. Balochistan grows little rice compared with Punjab.

Question 53 Pakistan Affairs

Which province of Pakistan is the largest cotton producing province?

- A. Punjab ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Sindh
- C. Khyber Pakhtunekhwa
- D. Balochistan

A. Punjab is Pakistan's largest cotton-producing province.

B. Sindh is the second cotton producer, behind Punjab.

C. Khyber Pakhtunkhwa grows little cotton compared with Punjab.

D. Balochistan grows little cotton compared with Punjab.

Question 54 Pakistan Affairs

Badshahi Mosque was built in:

- A. 1690
- B. 1673 ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. 1650
- D. 1665

A. The Badshahi Mosque was completed in 1673, not 1690.

hahi Mosque in Lahore was built by Aurangzeb and completed in 1673.

C. The Badshahi Mosque was built later, completed in 1673.

D. The Badshahi Mosque was completed in 1673, not 1665.

Question 55 Pakistan Affairs

First Martial Law was imposed in

- A. October 1958 ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. September 1958
- C. August 1958
- D. November 1958

A. The first martial law in Pakistan was imposed in October 1958.

B. Martial law was imposed in October, not September 1958.

C. Martial law was imposed in October, not August 1958.

D. Martial law was imposed in October, not November 1958.

Question 56 General Knowledge

Where is the headquarters of the Amnesty International?

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

A. Amnesty International is not headquartered in New York.

B. Amnesty International's headquarters is in London.

C. Amnesty International is not headquartered in Paris.

International is not headquartered in Geneva.

Question 57 General Knowledge

When Commonwealth was established?

- A. 1931 ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. 1932
- C. 1947
- D. 1926

A. The Commonwealth was established by the Statute of Westminster in 1931.

B. The Commonwealth dates to the Statute of Westminster, 1931, not 1932.

C. The Commonwealth predates 1947 by sixteen years.

D. The Balfour Declaration was 1926, but the Commonwealth was established in 1931.

Question 58 Current Affairs

Name the Secretary-General of Commonwealth is?

- A. Lord George Byron
- B. Dag Hammar Skjold
- C. Roger Smith
- D. Kammalesh Sharma ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Lord Byron was a poet, not a Commonwealth Secretary-General.

B. Dag Hammarskjold was UN Secretary-General, not Commonwealth Secretary-General.

C. No such person has been Commonwealth Secretary-General.

D. Kamalesh Sharma was Commonwealth Secretary-General from 2008 to 2016, covering 2011.

59 General Knowledge

Which of the President of USA was involved in Watergate Scandal?

- A. Richard Nixon ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Ronald Reagan
- C. George Bush
- D. Johnson

A. Richard Nixon was the US President forced to resign over the Watergate scandal.

B. Reagan was not involved in Watergate.

C. George Bush was not involved in Watergate.

D. Lyndon Johnson was not involved in Watergate.

Question 60 History

Kingdom of Khwarzim was destroyed in 1218-20 AD by

- A. Halaku Khan
- B. Changaiz Khan ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Temur Lung
- D. Qublai Khan

A. Hulagu Khan destroyed Baghdad later, in 1258, not Khwarazm.

B. Genghis Khan destroyed the Khwarazmian Empire in 1219-1221.

C. Timur lived two centuries later, in the 1300s.

D. Kublai Khan was Genghis Khan's grandson, not the destroyer of Khwarazm.

Question 61 General Knowledge

Who was the first woman to climb Everest?

- B. Fran Fipps
- C. Junko Taibei ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Valentina

A. No such climber was the first woman on Everest.

B. No such climber was the first woman on Everest.

C. Junko Tabei of Japan was the first woman to climb Everest, in 1975.

D. Valentina Tereshkova was the first woman in space, not on Everest.

Question 62 General Knowledge

Mount Everest's height is 29,035 ft what is its height in metres?

- A. 8594 metres
- B. 8291 meters
- C. 8850 meters ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. 8926 meters

A. 29,035 ft converts to about 8,850 m, not 8,594 m.

B. 29,035 ft converts to about 8,850 m, not 8,291 m.

C. 29,035 feet is about 8,850 metres, the surveyed height of Everest.

D. 29,035 ft converts to about 8,850 m, not 8,926 m.

Note: Note: 29,035 ft is about 8,850 m, the height of Mount Everest.

Question 63 Geography

Which of the following rivers belongs to Russia?

- A. Ob

- C. Amur
- D. All of above ✓ **Correct answer**

A. The Ob is a great Siberian river of Russia.

B. The Lena (printed 'Lana') is a great Siberian river of Russia.

C. The Amur is a river of Russia's Far East.

D. The Ob, the Lena and the Amur are all rivers of Russia, so all of the above is right.

Note: Note: option B "Lana" is a misprint for the Lena river; kept as printed.

Question 64 History

Din-e-llahi founded by Akbar in

- A. 1567
- B. 1568
- C. 1582 ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. 1560

A. Din-e-Ilahi was founded in 1582, not 1567.

B. Din-e-Ilahi was founded in 1582, not 1568.

C. Akbar founded Din-e-Ilahi in 1582.

D. Din-e-Ilahi was founded in 1582, not 1560.

Question 65 Geography

Which river crosses the Equator twice?

- A. Amazon River
- B. Congo River ✓ **Correct answer**

River

- D. Indus River

A. The Amazon stays near the equator but does not cross it twice.

B. The Congo River crosses the equator twice on its course.

C. The Nile flows north across the equator once, not twice.

D. The Indus is far north of the equator and never crosses it.

Question 66 General Knowledge

The oldest written language is:

- A. Sanskrit
- B. Chinese ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Japanese
- D. English

A. Written Sanskrit is later than written Chinese; the Vedic hymns were oral for centuries.

B. Among the options, Chinese has the oldest continuous written records (oracle bone script, c. 1200 BCE).

C. Written Japanese developed much later, from Chinese characters.

D. Written English is far younger than written Chinese.

Note: Note: "oldest written language" is taken among the options: Chinese oracle-bone script (c. 1200 BCE) predates written Sanskrit; Sumerian is not listed.

Question 67 Current Affairs

The 2012 Olympic Games are scheduled to be held at

- A. London ✓ **Correct answer**

- C. Sydney
- D. Tokyo

A. The 2012 Olympic Games were held in London.

B. Seoul hosted the Olympics in 1988, not 2012.

C. Sydney hosted the Olympics in 2000, not 2012.

D. Tokyo hosted the Olympics in 1964 (and 2021), not 2012.

Question 68 History

The Great Bath of the Indus Valley Civilization was discovered in:

- A. Harappa
- B. Lothal
- C. Mohenjodaro ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Ropar

A. The Great Bath is at Mohenjo-daro, not Harappa.

B. Lothal has a dockyard, not the Great Bath.

C. The Great Bath was found at Mohenjo-daro.

D. Ropar is a Harappan site, but the Great Bath is at Mohenjo-daro.

Question 69 General Knowledge

'Freedom Air* is the name of airline of___?

- A. New Zealand ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. South Africa
- C. South Korea
- D. Canada

Air was a New Zealand airline.

B. Freedom Air was not a South African airline; it was New Zealand's.

C. Freedom Air was not a South Korean airline; it was New Zealand's.

D. Freedom Air was not a Canadian airline; it was New Zealand's.

Question 70 General Knowledge

Ariana airline is an airline of

- A. Afghanistan ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. America
- C. Iran
- D. France

A. Ariana is the national airline of Afghanistan.

B. America's carriers are not called Ariana.

C. Iran's national carrier is Iran Air, not Ariana.

D. France's carrier is Air France, not Ariana.

Question 71 History

The Khilji Dynasty was founded in India in:

- A. 1245
- B. 1278
- C. 1290 ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. 1298

A. The Khilji dynasty was founded in 1290, not 1245.

B. The Khilji dynasty was founded in 1290, not 1278.

n Khilji founded the Khilji dynasty in 1290.

D. The Khilji dynasty was founded in 1290, not 1298.

Question 72 General Knowledge

Pablo Picasso was a:

- A. Spanish painter ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. American scientist
- C. British jurist
- D. German sportsman

A. Pablo Picasso was a Spanish painter.

B. Picasso was not an American scientist.

C. Picasso was not a British jurist.

D. Picasso was not a German sportsman.

Question 73 Geography

Which continent has no desert?

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

A. Europe is the continent with no desert (its dry areas are semi-arid, not deserts).

B. Asia has the Arabian, Gobi and Thar deserts.

C. Australia is largely desert (the Outback).

D. North America has the Mojave and Sonoran deserts.

According to Cabinet Mission plan in which group Punjab and Sindh, were included?

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

A. Group A was the Hindu-majority provinces, not Punjab and Sindh.

B. Group C was Bengal and Assam, not Punjab and Sindh.

C. Under the Cabinet Mission Plan, Punjab and Sindh were in Group B, the second group.

D. There were only three groups in the Cabinet Mission Plan.

Question 75 History

Simla Conference started on

- A. 24th June, 1945 ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. 24th June, 1946
- C. 22nd September, 1945
- D. 22nd September, 1946

A. Wavell met the leaders on 24 June and the conference formally opened on 25 June 1945; 24 June is the nearest of the options and the date in the GK literature.

B. The Simla Conference was in 1945, not 1946.

C. The Simla Conference was in June 1945, not September.

D. The Simla Conference was in June 1945, not September 1946.

76 Geography

Which of the following straits separate Florida from Cuba?

- A. Cuba Strait
- B. Florida Strait ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Mexico Strait
- D. Beriand Strait

A. There is no strait called the Cuba Strait.

B. The Florida Strait (Straits of Florida) separates Florida from Cuba.

C. There is no strait of this name separating Florida from Cuba.

D. The Bering Strait is between Alaska and Russia, not Florida and Cuba.

Question 77 Pakistan Affairs

How many members were' there in the Constituent Assembly when it was set up?

- A. 59
- B. 69 ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. 79
- D. 80

A. The Constituent Assembly was set up with 69 members, not 59.

B. Pakistan's first Constituent Assembly was set up with 69 members.

C. The Assembly reached 79 only after 10 more members were added later.

D. The Assembly was set up with 69 members, not 80.

Question 78 Pakistan Affairs

How many members were later added to the Constituent Assembly?

- B. 7
- C. 9
- D. 10 ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Ten members were later added, not five.

B. Ten members were later added, not seven.

C. Ten members were later added, not nine.

D. Ten members were later added to the Constituent Assembly, taking it to 79.

Question 79 Pakistan Affairs

On what date did the Quaid-e-Azam Address the Constituent Assembly for the first time?

- A. 10 August 1947
- B. 11 August 1947 ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. 20 August 1947
- D. 25 August 1947

A. The Quaid's first address was on 11 August, not 10 August 1947.

B. Quaid-e-Azam addressed the Constituent Assembly for the first time on 11 August 1947.

C. The Quaid's first address was on 11 August, not 20 August 1947.

D. The Quaid's first address was on 11 August, not 25 August 1947.

Question 80 Everyday Science

Penicillin was discovered by:

- A. Alfred Nobel
- B. Alexander Fleming ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Louis Pasteur

. Waksman

A. Alfred Nobel invented dynamite; he did not discover penicillin.

B. Alexander Fleming discovered penicillin in 1928.

C. Louis Pasteur founded microbiology; he did not discover penicillin.

D. Waksman discovered streptomycin, not penicillin.

Question 81 General Knowledge

The pharaohs of Alexandria is located in

- A. Germany
- B. Italy
- C. France
- D. Egypt ✓ **Correct answer**

A. The Pharos of Alexandria is not in Germany.

B. The Pharos of Alexandria is not in Italy.

C. The Pharos of Alexandria is not in France.

D. The Pharos (lighthouse) of Alexandria was in Egypt (the stem misprints 'Pharos' as 'pharaohs').

Note: Note: the stem's "pharaohs" is the source's garble for the Pharos lighthouse of Alexandria.

Question 82 History

The third battle of Panipat was fought between Ahmad Shah Abdali and Mahrattas in:

- A. 1801 AD
- B. 1750 AD

1 AD ✓ **Correct answer**

- D. 1758 AD

A. The third battle of Panipat was in 1761, not 1801.

B. The third battle of Panipat was in 1761, not 1750.

C. The third battle of Panipat was fought in 1761 between Ahmad Shah Abdali and the Marathas.

D. The third battle of Panipat was in 1761, not 1758.

Question 83 General Knowledge

Which of the following wars is the shortest war ever fought, ended in just six days?

- A. Gulf War
- B. Israel-Arab War ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Desert-War
- D. Boer War

A. The Gulf War lasted about six weeks, not six days.

B. The Israel-Arab Six-Day War of 1967 ended in just six days.

C. There is no six-day war of this name.

D. The Boer War lasted years, not six days.

Question 84 History

Name the Mughal king who died in 1707?

- A. Jahangir
- B. Aurangzeb ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. ShahJahan
- D. Akbar

died in 1627, not 1707.

B. Aurangzeb died in 1707.

C. Shah Jahan died in 1666, not 1707 (the 2011 source prints the name as 'ShahJahan').

D. Akbar died in 1605, not 1707.

Question 85 Geography

The city constructed on the bank of the river Tigris is:

- A. Basra
- B. Baghdad ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Najaf
- D. Tehran

A. Basra is on the Shatt al-Arab, not the Tigris.

B. Baghdad was built on the banks of the River Tigris.

C. Najaf is not on the Tigris.

D. Tehran is not on the Tigris.

Question 86 General Knowledge

The “Berber* tribes were resident of:

- A. South Korea
- B. North Africa ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Andulus
- D. China

A. The Berbers are not from South Korea.

B. The Berber tribes are native to North Africa.

is in Spain, the Berbers are from North Africa.

D. The Berbers are not from China.

Question 87 General Knowledge

Contour is a measure of:

- A. Topography ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Rainfall
- C. Temperature
- D. Pressure

A. Contours measure topography, the shape and elevation of land.

B. Rainfall is measured by rain gauges, not contours.

C. Temperature is measured by thermometers, not contours.

D. Pressure is measured by barometers, not contours.

Question 88 English

The foreign phrase Affair de Coeur means

- A. A love affair
- B. In the meantime
- C. An affair of the heart ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. None of these

A. A love affair is the idiomatic sense, but the literal translation is 'an affair of the heart'.

B. 'In the meantime' is 'en attendant', not 'affaire de coeur'.

C. 'Affaire de coeur' literally means 'an affair of the heart'.

D. Wrong, since 'an affair of the heart' is the meaning.

89 Everyday Science

Most astronomers believe that origin of the Universe is:

- A. The Red Shift Theory
- B. Relativity Theory
- C. Big Bang Theory ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. None of these

A. Red shift is evidence for expansion, not the name of the origin theory.

B. Relativity describes gravity; it is not the origin theory.

C. Most astronomers hold that the universe began with the Big Bang.

D. Wrong, since the Big Bang is the accepted origin theory.

Question 90 General Knowledge

Which of the following is used as the logo of the World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF)?

- A. Lion
- B. Camel
- C. Deer
- D. Panda ✓ **Correct answer**

A. The WWF logo is not a lion.

B. The WWF logo is not a camel.

C. The WWF logo is not a deer.

D. The WWF logo is a giant panda.

Question 91 History

French line of fortification built in 1934, along the German border from Switzerland to

- A. Hot Line
- B. Hindenburg Line
- C. Maginot Line ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. None of them

A. The Hot Line was a US-Soviet phone link, not a fortification.

B. The Hindenburg Line was a German line of World War I.

C. The Maginot Line was France's fortification along its German border.

D. Wrong, since the Maginot Line is the fortification.

Question 92 General Knowledge

Dutch East Indies is the old name of

- A. Nyasaland
- B. Netherlands
- C. Indonesia ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. None of these

A. Nyasaland was the old name of Malawi, not the Dutch East Indies.

B. The Netherlands is a European country, not the Dutch East Indies.

C. The Dutch East Indies is the old name of Indonesia.

D. Wrong, since Indonesia is the old Dutch East Indies.

Question 93 General Knowledge

‘Lufthansa’ is the name of airline of

- A. Australia

- C. China
- D. Germany ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Australia's carrier is Qantas, not Lufthansa.

B. France's carrier is Air France, not Lufthansa.

C. China's carriers are Air China and others, not Lufthansa.

D. Lufthansa is the national airline of Germany.

Question 94 Geography

Name the largest Island found in Pakistan?

- A. Omara
- B. Bhura
- C. Manora
- D. None of these ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Omara is not the largest island; Astola is, and it is not listed.

B. Bhura is not the largest island; Astola is, and it is not listed.

C. Manora is a small island near Karachi, not the largest.

D. Astola is Pakistan's largest island and it is not among the options, so 'None of these' is correct.

Question 95 General Knowledge

Name the airport located at the highest altitude i.e. 4363 m

- A. Schepol International Airport
- B. Lhasa Airport
- C. Chicago O'Hare International Airport

ne of these ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Schiphol is near sea level in the Netherlands, not a high-altitude airport.

B. Lhasa Gonggar Airport is only 3,570 m high, and the world's highest airport in 2011 was Qamdo Bamda (4,334 m), so Lhasa is not the answer.

C. Chicago O'Hare is a low-altitude airport, not the highest.

D. No listed airport is at 4,363 m or is the world's highest (in 2011 that was Qamdo Bamda, 4,334 m, not listed), so 'None of these' is correct.

Question 96 General Knowledge

What is the name of Syria’s news Agency?

- A. Belga
- B. DPA
- C. SANA ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. AGI

A. Belga is Belgium's news agency.

B. DPA is Germany's news agency.

C. SANA (Syrian Arab News Agency) is Syria's news agency.

D. AGI is an Italian news agency.

Question 97 General Knowledge

What is name of world’s largest dam constructed in China?

- A. Kariba Dam
- B. Three Gorges Dam ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Kainji Dam
- D. Cleveland Dam

m is in Zambia/Zimbabwe, not China.

B. The Three Gorges Dam in China is the world's largest dam.

C. Kainji Dam is in Nigeria, not China.

D. There is no world-famous dam of this name in China.

Question 98 English

What does the Latin word 'Aqua'mean?

- A. Water ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Acid
- C. Blood
- D. Alkali

A. 'Aqua' is Latin for water.

B. 'Aqua' does not mean acid.

C. 'Aqua' does not mean blood.

D. 'Aqua' does not mean alkali.

Question 99 General Knowledge

Who in 1837 published a revolutionary scheme for shorthand writing?

- A. Sir Isaac Pitman ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Colliery
- C. Miner
- D. Goldsmith

A. Sir Isaac Pitman published his shorthand system in 1837.

B. A colliery is a coal mine, not a shorthand inventor.

not a shorthand inventor.

D. A goldsmith is not a shorthand inventor.

Question 100 English

What word links ‘stitch’, 'road', ‘country’ and y 'wind'?

- A. Cross ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Old
- C. Main
- D. Drop

A. 'Cross' links them all: cross-stitch, crossroad, cross-country and crosswind.

B. 'Old' does not link all four words.

C. 'Main' does not link all four words.

D. 'Drop' does not link all four words.

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