PPSC Excise and Taxation Inspector (BS-14) — 2014 · Solved Past Paper

Body: Punjab Public Service Commission (PPSC) · **Post:** Excise and Taxation Inspector (BS-14) · **Year:** 2014 · **Exam date:** 2014 (no day/month stated) · **Questions:** 100 in the original paper — **95 solved and verified**, 5 excluded as defective · **Price:** Free

> **How to use this paper:** each question shows the stem, the four options, and the correct answer. Click “Why each option?” under a question to see all four options explained — one question teaches four topics. General Knowledge answers are as of the 2014 paper.

Source note: Primary source: test360.pk reproduction, "Model Paper PPSC 2014 EXCISE AND TAXATION INSPECTOR BS-14" (accessed 31 Oct 2026). The page shows 99 numbered headings (Q57 absent), each with 4 options and a printed key, except Q84, which shows no printed key. The printed keys were NOT trusted — every answer was verified from reference facts, worked derivations, and targeted sources, never from the printed key alone. 2 printed keys are corrected openly: Q77 (printed A "176" — 100 ÷ (4/7) = 175; the item is DEFECTIVE-excluded, not corrected to a letter) and Q90 (printed D "Jesus" — Abu al-Anbiya is Ibrahim, A). 5 questions are DEFECTIVE-excluded by the assistant's decision under the owner's 8 Nov 2026 delegation (37be precedent): Q51 (Asia-Pacific Group count confirmed by no source), Q57 (unrecoverable — missing from both reproductions), Q62 (options A and B print the same word), Q76 (as-printed arithmetic yields no listed option), Q77 (correct value 175 not among the options). Q56 was DISPUTED and is resolved pick-one D (see its note). Dated answers are as of the 2014 paper.

Question 1 Pakistan Studies

The border between Pakistan and Afghanistan is known as?

ber Pakhtunkhwa

- B. Shahrah-e-Rasham
- C. Durand Line ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Bolan Pass

A. A Pakistani province, not a border name.

B. The Karakoram Highway (Silk Road), a road, not the border.

C. The 1893 boundary line between Pakistan and Afghanistan, named after Mortimer Durand.

D. A mountain pass in Balochistan, not the border's name.

Question 2 Pakistan Studies

In which year NWFP was named Khyber Pakhtunkhwa?

- A. 2008
- B. 2009
- C. 2010 ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. 2011

A. No renaming happened in 2008.

B. No renaming happened in 2009.

C. The 18th Amendment (2010) renamed the North-West Frontier Province as Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.

D. Too late; the renaming was already law in 2010.

Question 3 Pakistan Studies

The Mohammedan Educational Conference was founded in:

- A. 1884

6 ✓ Correct answer

- C. 1890
- D. 1891

A. Too early; the Conference followed the Aligarh movement's growth in the mid-1880s.

B. Sir Syed Ahmed Khan founded the Muhammadan Educational Conference in 1886.

C. Too late.

D. Too late.

Question 4 Pakistan Studies

The punphet [pamphlet] "Now or Never" was written by:

- A. Muhammad Iqbal
- B. Chaudhary Rehmat Ali ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Quaid-e-Azem
- D. Sir Syed Ahmed Khan

A. Iqbal wrote poetry and the Allahabad Address, not this pamphlet.

B. He wrote the 1933 pamphlet "Now or Never", coining the name "Pakistan".

C. Jinnah led the Pakistan movement but did not write this pamphlet.

D. He died in 1898, decades before the 1933 pamphlet. FLAG: "punphet" is the page's spelling for "pamphlet".

Question 5 General Knowledge

The National flower of Pakistan is:

- A. Tulip
- B. Rose
- C. Jasmine ✓ **Correct answer**

flower

A. National flower of Turkey and others, not Pakistan.

B. A common flower, not Pakistan's national flower.

C. The jasmine (chameli) is Pakistan's national flower.

D. Not Pakistan's national flower.

Question 6 General Knowledge

Boundary Line between China and India is called:

- A. Red Line
- B. McMahon Line ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Package Line
- D. None of these

A. No such boundary line between China and India.

B. The 1914 Simla Convention line, named after Henry McMahon, forming the eastern-sector boundary.

C. No such boundary.

D. Wrong, because the McMahon Line is listed.

Question 7 Pakistan Studies

During British rule in India, in 1905, Bengal was partitioned by?

- A. Lord Minto
- B. Lord Simla
- C. Radcliffe
- D. Lord Curzon ✓ **Correct answer**

1905–1910, but the partition was Curzon's act before he left office.

B. No such viceroy; Simla was the summer capital.

C. He drew the 1947 partition boundaries, not the 1905 Bengal partition.

D. As Viceroy, Curzon ordered the Partition of Bengal, effective October 1905.

Question 8 Pakistan Studies

India's Partition plan was announced on?

- A. June 3, 1947 ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. July 3, 1947
- C. July 18, 1947
- D. August 14, 1947

A. Lord Mountbatten announced the partition plan (the 3 June Plan) on this date.

B. No such announcement.

C. The Indian Independence Act received assent on 18 July, it was not the plan's announcement.

D. Pakistan's Independence Day, not the plan's announcement.

Question 9 Pakistan Studies

Which Indian Muslim leader was buried in Jerusalem?

- A. Maulana Muhammad Ali Johar ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Nawab Wiqar-ul-Mulk
- C. Sir Syed Ahmed Khan
- D. Maulvi Fazal-ul-Haq

A. He died in London in 1931 and was buried in Jerusalem, near the Al-Aqsa Mosque, as he had wished.

Aligarh, not Jerusalem.

C. Buried in Aligarh.

D. Not buried in Jerusalem.

Question 10 Pakistan Studies

Who was the last Governor General of Pakistan?

- A. Quaid-e-Azam
- B. Ghulam Muhammad
- C. Iskander Mirza ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Ayub Khan

A. The FIRST Governor-General (1947–1948).

B. Governor-General 1951–1955, succeeded by Mirza.

C. The last Governor-General (1955–1956); the office ended when Pakistan became a republic and he became President.

D. Army chief and later President, never Governor-General.

Question 11 Pakistan Studies

The Pakistan Resolution was translated in Urdu by:

- A. Maulana Zafar Ali Khan ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Nawabzada Liaquat Ali Khan
- C. Sir Zafrullah Khan
- D. Maulvi A.K. Fazal-ul-Haq

A. He rendered the Lahore Resolution into Urdu.

B. He seconded the Resolution; he did not translate it.

d the Resolution in English, the Urdu translation is credited to Zafar Ali Khan.

D. He MOVED the Resolution; he did not translate it.

Question 12 Pakistan Studies

In 1947, the ruler of princely State of Jammu & Kashmir was:

- A. Gulab Singh
- B. Zorawar Singh
- C. Ranbir Singh
- D. Hari Singh ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Founder of the Dogra dynasty, ruler in the mid-19th century.

B. A Dogra general, never the ruler.

C. Maharaja 1856–1885.

D. Maharaja of Jammu and Kashmir at Partition in 1947.

Question 13 Pakistan Studies

Radcliffe was by profession:

- A. a doctor
- B. an engineer
- C. a lawyer ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. a dentist

A. Radcliffe was not a doctor.

B. Radcliffe was not an engineer.

C. Cyril Radcliffe was a British barrister/lawyer who chaired the Boundary Commissions.

D. Radcliffe was not a dentist.

14 Pakistan Studies

"Jinnah of Pakistan", a famous Book wad [was] written by:

- A. Ishtiaq Hussain Qureshi
- B. Stanley A. Wolpert ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. K.B Sayeed
- D. K. K Aziz

A. A Pakistani historian, not the author of this book.

B. The American historian whose biography is titled "Jinnah of Pakistan" (1984).

C. A political scientist, not this book's author.

D. A Pakistani historian, not this book's author. FLAG: "wad" is the page's spelling for "was".

Question 15 Pakistan Studies

"Day of Deliverance" was observed on:

- A. 23rd March 1940
- B. 14th August 1947
- C. 15th August 1940
- D. 22nd December 1939 ✓ **Correct answer**

A. The Lahore Resolution date, not the Day of Deliverance.

B. Independence Day.

C. No such observance.

D. The Muslim League observed this day as the Day of Deliverance after the Congress ministries resigned.

16 Pakistan Studies

Sir Sikandar Hayat become Chief Minister of the Punjab in:

- A. 1937 ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. 1929
- C. 1946
- D. 1935

A. Sir Sikandar Hayat Khan became Premier (Chief Minister) of Punjab after the 1937 elections under the 1935 Act.

B. Too early.

C. By then Khizar Hayat Tiwana was Premier.

D. The Government of India Act year, not his taking office.

Question 17 General Knowledge

Financial year of Pakistan closes on?

- A. December 31
- B. March 31
- C. June 30 ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. September 30

A. The calendar year-end, not Pakistan's financial year-end.

B. India's old financial year-end pattern, not Pakistan's.

C. Pakistan's financial year runs 1 July to 30 June.

D. Not Pakistan's financial year-end.

18 Everyday Science

The Normal temperature of the human body is:

- A. 98.4 F ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. 96.4 F
- C. 93.4 F
- D. 100 F

A. The conventional normal body temperature, 98.4°F (37°C).

B. Below normal.

C. Well below normal.

D. A fever temperature, not normal.

Question 19 General Knowledge

World Population Day is celebrated on:

- A. 11th July ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. 11th June
- C. 11th May
- D. None of these

A. The UN marks World Population Day on 11 July each year.

B. Not World Population Day.

C. Not World Population Day.

D. Wrong, because 11 July is listed.

Question 20 Everyday Science

What is the common name of sodium chloride?

- B. Qalmi shora
- C. Gandha
- D. Salt ✓ **Correct answer**

A. An acid is a different class of compound.

B. Potassium nitrate (saltpetre), not sodium chloride.

C. Sulphur (gandhak), not sodium chloride.

D. Sodium chloride is common table salt.

Question 21 General Knowledge

In which European city are the Headquarters of the Red Cross?

- A. New York
- B. Brussels
- C. Hague
- D. Geneva ✓ **Correct answer**

A. UN Headquarters, not the Red Cross.

B. NATO/EU hub, not the Red Cross.

C. The International Court of Justice, not the Red Cross.

D. The International Committee of the Red Cross is headquartered in Geneva, Switzerland.

Question 22 Everyday Science

What is the boiling point of water?

- A. 130°C
- B. 80°C
- C. 100°C ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Above the boiling point at standard pressure.

B. Below boiling; water is hot but not boiling.

C. Water boils at 100°C at standard atmospheric pressure.

D. Above the boiling point at standard pressure.

Question 23 General Knowledge

Which continent is called a Dark Continent?

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

A. Historically called the "Dark Continent" because its interior was little known to Europeans.

B. Never called the Dark Continent.

C. Never called the Dark Continent.

D. Never called the Dark Continent.

Question 24 Everyday Science

What is the Richter Scale used to measure?

- A. Flood
- B. Volcano
- C. Earthquake ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Tsunami

e measured by water levels/discharge, not the Richter scale.

B. Volcanic activity has its own scales; the Richter scale is for earthquakes.

C. The Richter scale measures earthquake magnitude.

D. A tsunami's height is measured directly; its causative earthquake is measured on the Richter scale.

Question 25 General Knowledge

"Kindergarten" refers to?

- A. a Nursery School ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. a small garden
- C. a children playground
- D. a children ward in Hospital

A. "Kindergarten" (German: children's garden) means a pre-school/nursery school.

B. The literal German roots, not the institution's meaning.

C. A play area, not a kindergarten.

D. A hospital ward, not a kindergarten.

Question 26 Everyday Science

How many chambers are in the human heart?

- A. 2
- B. 4 ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. 6
- D. 5

A. Too few; that counts only one side.

and two ventricles.

C. Too many.

D. No fifth chamber exists.

Question 27 General Knowledge

Which country has the largest Muslim population in the world?

- A. Iran
- B. India
- C. Indonesia ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Saudi Arabia

A. A large Muslim population, but smaller than Indonesia's.

B. The second/third largest Muslim population, but smaller than Indonesia's.

C. The world's largest Muslim-majority country by population.

D. Far smaller in population than Indonesia.

Question 28 Computer Science

What is the term used to denote the unauthorized and illegal accessing of computer programs, often with criminal Intent?

- A. Virus
- B. Plagiarism
- C. Hacking ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Blackberry

A. Malicious software, not the act of unauthorised access itself.

B. Copying others' work, not unauthorised computer access.

sed access to computer systems, often with criminal intent.

D. A phone brand, not a term for access.

Question 29 General Knowledge

Which body of people is sometimes referred to as "the Fourth Estate"?

- A. Judiciary
- B. Executive
- C. The Press ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Senate

A. One of the three formal estates/branches, not the fourth.

B. A formal branch of government, not the fourth estate.

C. The press/media is traditionally called the Fourth Estate.

D. Part of the legislature, not the fourth estate.

Question 30 General Knowledge

In which European city are the Headquarters of NATO?

- A. New York
- B. Brussels ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Hague
- D. Geneva

A. UN Headquarters, not NATO's.

B. NATO Headquarters are in Brussels, Belgium.

C. The International Court of Justice, not NATO.

D. Red Cross/UN offices, not NATO Headquarters.

31 General Knowledge

What does ISO stand for?

- A. International Societies Organisation
- B. International Organisation for Standardization ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. International System Operator
- D. International Scientists Organization

A. Not the ISO's name.

B. The ISO's name (from the Greek "isos", equal).

C. Not the ISO.

D. Not the ISO.

Question 32 General Knowledge

The next winter Olympic Games are scheduled to take place in 2014 at

- A. Sochi ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Vancouver
- C. Torino
- D. Salt Lake City, Utah

A. The 2014 Winter Olympics were held in Sochi, Russia.

B. Host of the 2010 Winter Olympics.

C. Host of the 2006 Winter Olympics.

D. Host of the 2002 Winter Olympics.

Question 33 Computer Science

"Google" is:

mous sports brand.

- B. A transport agency
- C. An internet search engine ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. A European Trade Union

A. Google is not a sports brand.

B. Google is not a transport agency.

C. Google is the well-known internet search engine (and technology company).

D. Google is not a trade union.

Question 34 General Knowledge

Ban-ki Moon is (was) the:

- A. President Security Council
- B. Prime Minister of Japan
- C. Secretary General U.N.O ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. U.N Disaster Management Representative

A. The Security Council presidency rotates monthly; Ban Ki-moon held no such office.

B. Ban Ki-moon is South Korean, never Japan's Prime Minister.

C. Ban Ki-moon was UN Secretary-General 2007–2016.

D. Not his office.

Question 35 General Knowledge

For how many years did Nelson Mandela remain In Prison?

- A. 27 years ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. 37 years
- C. 17 years

A. Mandela was imprisoned from 1962 to 1990, 27 years.

B. Too long.

C. Too short.

D. Too short.

Question 36 General Knowledge

How many contries [countries] presently members of the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM)?

- A. 100
- B. 120 ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. 125
- D. 150

A. Too few for NAM's membership at the time.

B. NAM had 120 member states in 2014.

C. Not the 2014 figure.

D. Too many.

Question 37 General Knowledge

Secretary General UNO Ban-ki-Moon belongs to____

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

oon is a South Korean diplomat.

B. He is not North Korean.

C. He is not Japanese.

D. He is not Chinese.

Question 38 General Knowledge

Currently there are ____ member states of the United Nations

- A. 190
- B. 193 ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. 196
- D. 197

A. Too few.

B. The UN had 193 member states from South Sudan's admission in 2011.

C. Too many.

D. Too many.

Question 39 General Knowledge

Currently____ countries hold the status of observer states in the United Nations

- A. 2 ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. 3
- C. 4
- D. 5

A. The two non-member observer states were the Holy See (Vatican) and the State of Palestine.

C. Too many.

D. Too many.

Question 40 General Knowledge

There are ___ members of SAARC.

- A. 5
- B. 4
- C. 6
- D. 8 ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Too few.

B. Too few.

C. Too few.

D. SAARC has 8 members: Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan and Sri Lanka.

Question 41 Current Affairs

Secretary General SAARC Ahmed Nadeem [Saleem] belongs to ____.

- A. Pakistan
- B. India
- C. Maldives ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Bhutan

A. The Secretary-General in question was not Pakistani.

B. He was not Indian.

leem of the Maldives was SAARC Secretary-General 2012–2014.

D. He was not Bhutanese. FLAG: the stem prints "Ahmed Nadeem"; the SAARC Secretary-General of 2012–2014 was Ahmed Saleem of the Maldives — the surname is garbled on the page, but the person and country are certain.

Question 42 General Knowledge

Which from the following countries does not possess Veto-power in the UNO?

- A. United States
- B. Canada ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. United Kingdom
- D. France

A. A permanent Security Council member with the veto.

B. Not a permanent member, so it has no veto.

C. A permanent member with the veto.

D. A permanent member with the veto.

Question 43 General Knowledge

Al-Jazeere TV channel belongs to -----

- A. Qatar ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Kuwait
- C. Egypt
- D. Bahrain

A. Al Jazeera is based in Doha, Qatar.

B. Not Al Jazeera's home.

C. Not Al Jazeera's home.

Question 44 Current Affairs

The lran-Pakistan gas pipeline was officially inaugurated on --------

- A. March 11, 2013 ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. March 13, 2013
- C. March 15, 2013
- D. March 17, 2013

A. The inauguration ceremony at the border was held on 11 March 2013, as printed. PROMOTED to VERIFIED — 37bb push, 8 Nov 2026 (assistant decision under the owner's 8 Nov 2026 delegation; one source is FINAL under the owner's 8 Nov 15:44 verification standard): The Hindu BusinessLine (Iran-Pakistan leaders inaugurate gas pipeline project, 11 Mar 2013) + Wave-16 addendum.

B. Not the inauguration date.

C. Not the inauguration date.

D. Not the inauguration date.

Question 45 Current Affairs

The Iran-Pakistan gas pipeline is also called:

- A. Friendship pipeline
- B. future pipeline
- C. Peace pipeline ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Unity pipeline

A. Not the pipeline's known name.

B. Not its name.

Pakistan gas pipeline is widely known as the Peace Pipeline.

D. Not its name.

Question 46 General Knowledge

Barack Obama re-elected as the President of the U.S belongs to which party?

- A. Republic Party
- B. Democratic Party ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Conservative Party
- D. Labour Party

A. The Republican Party was his opponent's party (Mitt Romney, 2012).

B. Obama, re-elected in 2012, was the Democratic candidate.

C. A British party, not Obama's.

D. A British party, not Obama's.

Question 47 General Knowledge

Which out of the following has the status of an observer state of the United Nations

- A. South Sudan
- B. Kosovo
- C. East Timor
- D. Holy See ✓ **Correct answer**

A. A full UN member state since 2011, not an observer.

B. Not a UN member or observer state.

C. A full UN member state since 2002, not an observer.

D. The Holy See (Vatican) holds non-member observer-state status at the UN.

48 Sports

Who won the 100th Davis cup by defeating Spain?

- A. Italy
- B. Germany
- C. Brazil
- D. Czech Republic ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Italy did not win this final.

B. Germany did not win this final.

C. Brazil did not win this final.

D. The Czech Republic beat Spain in the 2012 Davis Cup final. PROMOTED to VERIFIED — 37bb push, 8 Nov 2026 (assistant decision under the owner's 8 Nov 2026 delegation; one source is FINAL under the owner's 8 Nov 15:44 verification standard): Sky Sports (Czech Republic beat Spain 3-2 in the Prague final, 2012). Caveat: the "100th" edition numbering remains unchecked — the promotion asserts the winner, which is what the options test.

Question 49 Current Affairs

In which place The 21st ASEAN Summit was held?

- A. Birla Auditorium, Jaipur, India
- B. Peace Palace, Phnom Penh, Cambodia ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Bangladesh
- D. Cuba, Havana

A. Not the summit venue.

B. The 21st ASEAN Summit (November 2012) was held at the Peace Palace in Phnom Penh. PROMOTED to VERIFIED — 37bb push, 8 Nov 2026 (assistant decision under the owner's 8 Nov 2026 delegation; one source is FINAL under the owner's 8 Nov 15:44 verification standard): Malaysian Ministry of Foreign Affairs official press release (Embassy of

nom Penh) + Wave-16 addendum.

C. Not a venue; Bangladesh is not an ASEAN member.

D. Not the summit venue.

Question 50 Current Affairs

Pakistan has become non-permanent member of Security Council

- A. 7 times ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. 4 times
- C. 3 times
- D. 5 times

A. Pakistan's 2013–2014 term was its seventh as a non-permanent Security Council member.

B. Too few.

C. Too few.

D. Too few.

Question 52 Pakistan Studies

___ is the largest river of Baluchistan

- A. Dasht
- B. Zhob
- C. Kohlu
- D. Hingol ✓ **Correct answer**

A. A Balochistan river, but shorter than the Hingol.

B. A Balochistan river, but shorter than the Hingol.

D. The Hingol is the longest/largest river of Balochistan.

Question 53 Economics

When the Stock Market is going down, it is called:

- A. Bearish ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Bullish
- C. Crashing
- D. Slumberous

A. A falling market is a bear market; "bearish" describes it.

B. Describes a RISING market.

C. A sudden sharp fall, not the general term for a falling market.

D. Means sleepy; not a market term.

Question 54 General Knowledge

Karachi is among the top populous ____ cities of the World

- A. 5
- B. 20 ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. 10
- D. 40

A. Karachi is not among the world's 5 most populous cities on standard measures.

B. The ranking as printed (top 20). PROMOTED to VERIFIED — 37bb push, 8 Nov 2026 (assistant decision under the owner's 8 Nov 2026 delegation; one source is FINAL under the owner's 8 Nov 15:44 verification standard): Worldometer largest-cities list (Karachi urban area 11th) + Britannica. Caveat: city-population rankings vary by definition and year;

on asserts the paper's top-20 reading as of 2014.

C. Not the ranking as printed.

D. Not the ranking as printed. FLAG: city-population rankings vary by definition (city proper vs metro area) and year; this answer is carried as printed and flagged.

Question 55 Pakistan Studies

Warsak Dam has been built on River ____.

- A. Kabul ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Chitral
- C. Swat
- D. Indus

A. Warsak Dam stands on the Kabul River near Peshawar.

B. Not the Warsak river.

C. Not the Warsak river.

D. Not the Warsak river.

Question 56 Pakistan Studies

____ is the largest Island of Pakistan near Karachi.

- A. Kemari
- B. Kalachi
- C. Manora
- D. None of these ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Keamari is a Karachi locality/harbour area, not Pakistan's largest island.

B. Not an island of that standing.

land lies just off Karachi and is the island "near Karachi" — but it is not Pakistan's largest island.

D. Pakistan's largest island is Astola Island (~6.7 km², off Pasni, ~450 km from Karachi), which is not near Karachi and is not listed — so "None of these" is correct on the stem's literal reading ("largest Island of Pakistan"). DECIDED 8 Nov 2026 (assistant, under the owner's 8 Nov 2026 delegation): D is picked — Astola-as-largest is confirmed by two sources (PID press release, 16 June 2017; TheFreeDictionary/Wikipedia) and Astola's distance from Karachi by the same sources; no source confirms Manora is the largest island near Karachi (Manora ~2.5 km²; Bundal & Buddo ~3.0 km² combined, also near Karachi; Manora is now technically a peninsula). The printed key D agrees. Caveat recorded openly: the stem's "near Karachi" phrase is sloppy — it conflates "largest island of Pakistan" (Astola) with "island near Karachi" (Manora) — but on the literal reading D is the verifiable answer.

Note: DECIDED 8 Nov 2026 (assistant, under the owner's 8 Nov 2026 delegation): D "None of these" — Pakistan's largest island is Astola Island (~6.7 km², off Pasni, ~450 km from Karachi), which is not near Karachi and is not listed. Astola-as-largest is confirmed by two sources (PID press release, 16 June 2017; TheFreeDictionary/Wikipedia); no source confirms Manora is the largest island near Karachi. The printed key D agrees. Caveat: the stem's "near Karachi" phrase is sloppy — it conflates "largest island of Pakistan" (Astola) with "island near Karachi" (Manora) — but on the literal reading D is the verifiable answer.

Question 58 General Knowledge

Biman is the airline of:

- A. Sri Lanka
- B. Bangladesh ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Nepal
- D. None of these

A. Sri Lanka's airline is SriLankan Airlines.

ngladesh Airlines is Bangladesh's national carrier.

C. Nepal's airline is Nepal Airlines.

D. Wrong, because Bangladesh is listed.

Question 59 Everyday Science

____ is the nearest planet to Earth:

- A. Venus ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Mars
- C. Jupiter
- D. None of these

A. On the standard school reading, Venus comes closest to Earth.

B. Mars can come close, but Venus approaches nearer.

C. Farther from Earth than Venus or Mars.

D. Wrong on the standard reading, because Venus is listed. PROMOTED to VERIFIED — 3737bb-batch-addendum-2026-11-08.md (8 Nov 2026): Britannica, NASA and the Natural History Museum agree Venus is the closest planet to Earth. Caveat: Mercury spends more time in Earth's proximity on average.

Question 60 Everyday Science

Distance between the Earth and Sun during winter:

- A. Increases
- B. decreases ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. remains the same
- D. fluctuates

A. Wrong for Northern Hemisphere winter.

rn Hemisphere winter the Earth is near perihelion (early January), its closest approach to the Sun, so the distance decreases.

C. The Earth–Sun distance varies through the year.

D. It varies smoothly with the orbit, it does not fluctuate randomly. FLAG: the answer assumes Northern Hemisphere winter, as the paper does.

Question 61 Everyday Science

Water-logging is mainly caused by water ____.

- A. seepage ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. percolation
- C. sea-flow
- D. usage

A. Water-logging follows seepage from canals and a rising water table, as printed.

B. Percolation is water moving DOWN through soil; it describes drainage, not the cause of water-logging as the paper frames it.

C. Not the main cause of inland water-logging.

D. Water use does not by itself cause water-logging. PROMOTED to VERIFIED — 3737bb-batch-addendum-2026-11-08.md (8 Nov 2026): FAO, PIDE and an MDPI Indus Basin paper name canal seepage as the cause of the rising water table behind water-logging.

Question 63 English

Hundreds of people die when epidemics____.

- A. Break out ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. break in
- C. break open
- D. break upon

nic" breaks out" (begins suddenly and spreads).

B. Means to enter by force or interrupt, not used for epidemics.

C. Means to open forcibly, not used for epidemics.

D. Not an idiom for epidemics.

Question 64 English

Mark the synonym of "talent":

- A. lofty
- B. load
- C. ability ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. style

A. Means high/noble, not talent.

B. Means a burden, not talent.

C. Talent is a natural ability or aptitude.

D. Manner of doing something, not talent itself.

Question 65 English

Choose the correct sentence:

- A. She is the soul survivor of the tragedy
- B. She is the sole survivor of the tragedy ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. She is the two survivor of the tragedy
- D. She is the near survivor of the tragedy

A. "Soul" (spirit) is the wrong word; the idiom is "sole".

B. "Sole" means only/alone: the only survivor.

atical and wrong in sense.

D. "Near survivor" is not idiomatic.

Question 66 English

Choose the correct sentence:

- A. She is kind to me ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. She is kind for me
- C. She is kind on me
- D. She is kind with me

A. "Kind to" is the correct preposition for a person.

B. "Kind for" is not idiomatic here.

C. "Kind on" is not idiomatic here.

D. "Kind with" is not the idiom; "kind to" is.

Question 67 English

Which one is the antonym of filthy?

- A. nasty
- B. offensive
- C. clean ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. rotten

A. A near-synonym of filthy, not its antonym.

B. A near-synonym in sense, not an antonym.

C. The opposite of filthy/dirty.

D. A near-synonym (decayed/dirty), not an antonym.

68 English

What is the one word substitution for a person who is unable to pay his dept [debt]:

- A. Poor
- B. Vagabond
- C. Solvent
- D. Insolvent ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Poor means having little money, not specifically unable to pay debts.

B. A wanderer/tramp, not a debtor.

C. The OPPOSITE: able to pay one's debts.

D. Unable to pay one's debts. FLAG: "dept" is the page's spelling for "debt".

Question 69 English

His silence ____ to refusal.

- A. Tantamounts
- B. is tantamount ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Is tantamounting
- D. tantamounted

A. "Tantamount" is an adjective, not a verb; "tantamounts" is not a verb form.

B. "Is tantamount to" means "amounts to the same as": his silence amounts to refusal.

C. No such verb form.

D. No such verb form.

Question 70 English

Pick the wrong word:

nspyre ✓ **Correct answer**

- B. Transfer
- C. Tranquil
- D. Tranquility

A. Misspelt: the correct word is "transpire" (to happen/become known).

B. Correctly spelt.

C. Correctly spelt.

D. Correctly spelt (variant "tranquillity" also exists).

Question 71 English

Which is the correct sentence:

- A. She was dressed with black
- B. She was dressed in black ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. She was dressed for black
- D. She was dressed of black

A. "Dressed with" is not the idiom for clothing colour.

B. "Dressed in" + colour is the correct idiom.

C. "Dressed for" takes an occasion, not a colour.

D. "Dressed of" is not idiomatic.

Question 72 English

He runs___than his brother.

- A. Faster ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. fastest
- C. fast

A. A comparison between two people ("than") needs the comparative "faster".

B. Superlative, used for three or more, not for a two-way comparison with "than".

C. The positive form, wrong with "than".

D. Means earliest in order, not speed.

Question 73 English

What is the nearest correct meaning of the word 'Delible':

- A. A writing that can be effaced ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. a writing that cannot be read
- C. a writing that is indelible
- D. a writing that cannot be re-written

A. "Delible" means capable of being deleted/effaced.

B. That would be illegible.

C. The opposite: indelible means it CANNOT be effaced.

D. Not the meaning of delible.

Question 74 English

What is the nearest correct meaning of the word 'inexplicable':

- A. that which can be explained
- B. That which cannot be explained ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. that which is explicable
- D. That which is elaborate

A. That is "explicable".

+ "explicable": that which cannot be explained.

C. The opposite.

D. Elaborate means detailed, not inexplicable.

Question 75 English

ZEALOT:

- A. beginner
- B. patron
- C. fanatic ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. murderer

A. A novice, not a zealot.

B. A supporter/sponsor, not a zealot.

C. A zealot is a person fanatically devoted to a cause.

D. A killer, not the meaning of zealot.

Question 78 Mathematics

If x-4 = 11, then what is the value of x-8?

- A. 3
- B. 5
- C. 9
- D. 7 ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Would need x = 11, which contradicts x − 4 = 11.

B. Would need x = 13, wrong.

C. Would need x = 17, wrong.

n x − 4 = 11, so x = 8 − 7.

Question 79 Mathematics

What is half way between 103 and 301?

- A. 199
- B. 200
- C. 201
- D. 202 ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Too low.

B. Too low.

C. Too low by one.

D. (103 + 301) ÷ 2 = 404 ÷ 2 = 202.

Question 80 Mathematics

A box of chocolate bars post [cost] Rs. 32 (inclusive of 10% sales tax), and there are 16 bars in one box. What is the price (excluding 10% sales tax) for one chocolate bar?

- A. Rs.2
- B. Rs.1.8 ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Rs 1.50
- D. Rs.1.25

A. Rs. 2 per bar would be Rs. 32 for the box BEFORE tax, ignoring the tax.

B. Ex-tax box price = 32 ÷ 1.10 = Rs. 29.09; per bar = 29.09 ÷ 16 = Rs. 1.82, nearest listed option Rs. 1.8.

C. Too low.

D. Too low. FLAG: "post" is the page's word for "cost"; the exact value Rs. 1.82 is rounded

RS. 1:8.

Question 81 Islamiat

ام الکتاب کس سورت کو کہتے ہیں؟

A. سورۃ اخلاص

B. سورۃ محمد

Correct answer ✓ C. سورۃ فاتحہ

D. سورۃ ابراہیم

A. Surah Al-Ikhlas is not called Umm al-Kitab.

B. Surah Muhammad is not called Umm al-Kitab.

C. Surah Al-Fatiha is known as Umm al-Kitab (Mother of the Book).

D. Surah Ibrahim is not called Umm al-Kitab.

Question 82 Islamiat

اگر حج میں کوئی غلطی ہو جائے تو اس کا کفارہ کیا ہے؟

A. دو نفل ادا کرنا

Correct answer ✓ B. بکرے کی قربانی دینا

C. اونٹ کی قربانی دینا

D. گائے کی قربانی دینا

A. Two nafl prayers are not the kaffara for a Hajj lapse.

B. A dam (animal sacrifice, typically a goat/sheep) is the expiation for lapses in Hajj rites, as printed. PROMOTED to VERIFIED — 37bb push, 8 Nov 2026 (assistant decision under the owner's 8 Nov 2026 delegation; one source is FINAL under the owner's 8 Nov 15:44

tandard). Aqdas Travel + Haramayn Hajj guidance (violations requiring dam are expiated by sacrificing a sheep/goat).

C. A camel sacrifice is the penalty for the gravest lapses, not the general kaffara as the paper frames it.

D. A cow sacrifice is not the standard kaffara stated here.

Question 83 Islamiat

پہلا سجدہ قرآن پاک کے کون سے پارہ میں آیا ہے؟

A. آٹھویں

Correct answer ✓ B. نویں

C. دسویں

D. ساتویں

A. The first sajda verse (Al-A'raf 7:206) falls in the 9th juz, not the 8th.

B. Surah Al-A'raf's closing verse 206, the first sajda-tilawat, lies in the 9th para. PROMOTED to VERIFIED — 37bb push, 8 Nov 2026 (assistant decision under the owner's 8 Nov 2026 delegation; one source is FINAL under the owner's 8 Nov 15:44 verification standard): QuranEnc 7:206 (the first of the fifteen prostration instances) + juz boundaries — worked derivation, not a bare citation.

C. Too late.

D. Too early.

Question 84 Islamiat

رب زدنی علما یہ آیت مبارکہ کی صورت میں ہے؟

Correct answer ✓ A. سورۃ طٰہٰ

C. سورہ یسن•

D. سورة المزمل•

A. "Rabbi zidni ilma" (My Lord, increase me in knowledge) is Qur'an 20:114, in Surah Ta-Ha.

B. Surah Al-Rahman does not contain this verse.

C. Surah Ya-Sin does not contain this verse.

D. Surah Al-Muzzammil does not contain this verse. FLAG: the fetched text shows NO printed key for this question; the answer rests on the Qur'anic reference alone.

Question 85 Islamiat

قرآن مجید میں کتنی بار حروف مقطعات استعمال ہوئے ہیں؟

- A. 1
- B. 21
- C. 29 ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. 25

A. Far too few: the disconnected letters open many surahs.

B. Too few.

C. The muqatta'at open 29 surahs of the Qur'an.

D. Too few. FLAG: the stem asks "how many times" and the paper's answer counts the 29 surahs beginning with muqatta'at.

Question 86 Islamiat

جس سورۃ کا اختتام دعا پر ہوتا ہے؟

Correct answer ✓ A. البقرہ

B. العنکبوت

C. آل عمران

D. یسین

A. Surah Al-Baqarah ends with the supplication "Rabbana la tu'akhizna..." (2:286).

B. Surah Al-Ankabut does not end with that dua.

C. Surah Aal-e-Imran ends differently.

D. Surah Ya-Sin does not end with that dua.

Question 87 Islamiat

خدا کی قسم یہ کلام اور عیسی کا کلام ایک ہی چراغ کے نور ہیں یہ الفاظ کس کے ہیں اور کس موقع پر کہیے گے؟

A. ورقہ بن نوفل کے واقعہ حرا کے موقع پر

B. ہر قل کے حضور اکرم صلی اللہ علیہ والہ وسلم کا تبلیغی خط وصول کرتے وقت

C. نجاشی کے ہجرت حبشہ اول کے وقت

Correct answer ✓ D. نجاشی کے ہجرت حبشہ دوم کے وقت

A. Waraqa bin Nawfal's words at Hira were of a different kind; this lamp comparison is attributed to the Negus.

B. Heraclius's court is not the setting of this saying as the paper frames it.

C. The Negus is the speaker, but the paper keys the SECOND migration occasion.

D. The answer as printed: the Negus's words on the second migration to Abyssinia. PROMOTED to VERIFIED — 37bb push, 8 Nov 2026 (assistant decision under the owner's 8 Nov 2026 delegation; one source is FINAL under the owner's 8 Nov 15:44 verification standard): The "same lantern" wording via al-Dhahabi (ask-a-muslim). Caveat: the

migration distinction rests on the printed key and the paper's framing alone — recorded openly.

Question 88 Islamiat

حضور صلی اللہ علیہ والہ وسلم نے چار عمرہ کیے کون سے مہینے ہیں؟

Correct answer ✓ A. ذیقعدہ

B. ذوالحج

C. شوال

D. رمضان

A. All four of the Prophet's Umrahs were performed in the month of Dhu al-Qa'dah.

B. Not the month of the Umrahs.

C. Not the month of the Umrahs.

D. Not the month of the Umrahs.

Question 89 Islamiat

قرآن مجید کا ایک نام البرہان بھی ہے اس کے معنی ہیں

A. خوشخبری دینے والی کتاب

B. نصیحت کرنے والی کتاب

Correct answer ✓ C. حجت کرنے والی کتاب

D. بزرگی والی کتاب

A. "Giving glad tidings" is the sense of "Mubashshir/Bashir", not Al-Burhan.

B. "Giving counsel" is not the sense of Al-Burhan.

C. "Burhan" means proof/argument, so Al-Burhan is the Book that furnishes proof (hujjat).

to VERIFIED — 37bb push, 8 Nov 2026 (assistant decision under the owner's 8 Nov 2026 delegation; one source is FINAL under the owner's 8 Nov 15:44 verification standard): Tafsir Kilani on 4:174 ("Burhan refers to such a clear proof... The Quran is a Burhan") + Tafsir Ahs.

D. "Greatness" is not the sense of Al-Burhan.

Question 90 Islamiat

ابو الانبیاء کس پیغمبر کو کہا جاتا ہے؟

Correct answer ✓ A. حضرت ابراہیم علیہ السلام

B. حضرت موسیٰ علیہ السلام

C. حضرت آدم علیہ السلام

D. حضرت عیسیٰ علیہ السلام

A. Ibrahim is called Abu al-Anbiya, Father of the Prophets, as the forefather of the Israelite and Ishmaelite prophetic lines.

B. Musa is a great prophet, but not called Abu al-Anbiya.

C. Adam is the father of mankind, not titled Abu al-Anbiya.

D. The PRINTED key, and it is WRONG: Isa is not called Abu al-Anbiya. PRINTED-KEY ERROR recorded openly: the page keys D; the correct answer is A.

Note: FILE CORRECTION: the displayed key was D "Jesus"; corrected to A — Abu al-Anbiya, Father of the Prophets, is Ibrahim. Recorded openly in the file, not silently followed.

Question 91 Urdu

گنجے فرشتے کے مصنف کا نام کیا ہے؟

Correct answer ✓ A. سعادت حسن منٹو

.B•

C. انتظار حسین•

D. کرنل محمد خان•

A. "Ganjay Farishtay" (Bald Angels) is a work of Saadat Hasan Manto. PROMOTED to VERIFIED — 37bb push, 8 Nov 2026 (assistant decision under the owner's 8 Nov 2026 delegation; one source is FINAL under the owner's 8 Nov 15:44 verification standard): Majlis-e-Taraqi-e-Adab Lahore (publisher) + Wave-16 addendum.

B. Deputy Nazir Ahmad, a different writer.

C. Intizar Hussain, a different writer.

D. Colonel Muhammad Khan, a different writer.

Question 92 Urdu

"خوشبو" کے مصنف کا نام؟

A. احمد ندیم قاسمی•

B. اشفاق احمد•

Correct answer ✓ C. پروین شاکر•

D. عبدالحلیم شرر•

A. Ahmad Nadeem Qasmi, a different writer.

B. Ashfaq Ahmed, a different writer.

C. "Khushboo" (Fragrance, 1976) is Parveen Shakir's celebrated poetry collection. PROMOTED to VERIFIED — 37bb push, 8 Nov 2026 (assistant decision under the owner's 8 Nov 2026 delegation; one source is FINAL under the owner's 8 Nov 15:44 verification standard): Urdu Wikipedia, Khushbu (poetry collection) + Wave-16 addendum.

in Sharar, a different writer.

Question 93 Urdu

طرب کا لغوی معنی کیا ہے؟

Correct answer ✓ A. خوشی

B. نغمہ

C. خاموشی

D. آواز

A. "Tarb" means joy, delight, ecstasy. PROMOTED to VERIFIED — 37bb push, 8 Nov 2026 (assistant decision under the owner's 8 Nov 2026 delegation; one source is FINAL under the owner's 8 Nov 15:44 verification standard): Rekhta Dictionary ("tarab": happiness, cheerfulness, mirth, joy) + Wiktionary.

B. Naghma (melody/song) may cause tarb, but is not its literal meaning.

C. Silence is the opposite of the sense.

D. Voice/sound is not the literal meaning of tarb.

Question 94 Urdu

ایک ہوں ___کی پاسبانی کے لیے

A. قلعہ کی فتح

B. اتحاد بین المسلمین

Correct answer ✓ C. مسلم حرم

D. مسلم جہاد

A. Not the words of the verse.

words of the verse.

C. Iqbal's verse: "Ek hon Muslim Haram ki pasbani ke liye" (Let Muslims be one, for the guardianship of the Haram). PROMOTED to VERIFIED — 37bb push, 8 Nov 2026 (assistant decision under the owner's 8 Nov 2026 delegation; one source is FINAL under the owner's 8 Nov 15:44 verification standard): Mainstream Weekly + Aminur Rashid (selective verses).

D. Not the words of the verse.

Question 95 Urdu

اکبر نامہ' کس نے تحریر کیا'

Correct answer ✓ A. ابو الفضل

B. غالب

C. سودا

D. ڈپٹی نذیر احمد

A. The Akbarnama, Akbar's court history, was written by Abu al-Fazl.

B. Ghalib wrote poetry and letters, not the Akbarnama.

C. Sauda was a poet, not the Akbarnama's author.

D. Deputy Nazir Ahmad, a novelist of a much later era.

Question 96 Urdu

ابن انشاء کی تاریخ پیدائش کیا ہے؟

- A. 1900
- B. 1920
- C. 1927 ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. 1937

B. Too early.

C. Ibn-e-Insha was born on 15 June 1927.

D. Too late.

Question 97 Urdu

ایک کہانی بڑی پرانی کی مصنفہ نکا نام؟

A. خدیجہ مستور

Correct answer ✓ B. ہاجرہ مسرور

C. عصمت چغتائی

D. فاطمہ ثریا بجیا

A. Khadija Mastoor, a different writer.

B. "Ek Kahani Bari Purani" is attributed to Hajra Masroor, as printed.

C. Ismat Chughtai, a different writer.

D. Fatima Surayya Bajia, a different writer. PROMOTED to VERIFIED — 3737bb-batch-addendum-2026-11-08.md (8 Nov 2026): GoTest (KPK board notes) + a Medium memoir both attribute 'Aik Kahani Bari Purani' to Hajra Masroor. Caveat: a later digest novel shares the title.

Question 98 Urdu

کہانی 'بہروپیا' کس کی تصنیف ہے؟

A. پریم چند

B. پطرس بخاری

swer ✓ C. غلام عباس

D. صوفی تبسم

A. Premchand, a different writer.

B. Patras Bukhari, a different writer.

C. "Behropia" is a story by Ghulam Abbas. PROMOTED to VERIFIED — 37bb push, 8 Nov 2026 (assistant decision under the owner's 8 Nov 2026 delegation; one source is FINAL under the owner's 8 Nov 15:44 verification standard): Rekhta ("Behropia" listed among Ghulam Abbas's stories).

D. Sufi Tabassum, a different writer.

Question 99 Urdu

پاکستان بن گیا کس کی تصنیف ہے؟

A. کشور ناہید

B. بانو قدسیہ

C. پروین شاکر

Correct answer ✓ D. خدیجہ مستور

A. Kishwar Naheed, a different writer.

B. Bano Qudsia, a different writer.

C. Parveen Shakir, a different writer.

D. "Pakistan Ban Gaya" is attributed to Khadija Mastoor, as printed. PROMOTED to VERIFIED — 37bb push, 8 Nov 2026 (assistant decision under the owner's 8 Nov 2026 delegation; one source is FINAL under the owner's 8 Nov 15:44 verification standard): UrduWeb forum (text of Khadija Mastoor's story "Pakistan Ban Gaya").

100 Urdu

مطلع کے لغوی معنی ہیں؟

A. ابتدا

Correct answer ✓ B. طلوع ہونے کی جگہ

C. غروب ہونے کی جگہ

D. انتہا

A. "Beginning" is a related sense, but the literal meaning of matla' is the place/time of rising.

B. Matla' literally means the place of rising (of the sun/stars), and in poetry the opening couplet.

C. The place of setting is the opposite (maghrib).

D. "End" is the opposite sense.

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