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Question 1 General Knowledge

Bill Gates is the creator of:

- A. Microsoft ✓ **Correct answer**

- C. Google
- D. Facebook

A. Correct: Bill Gates co-founded Microsoft in 1975.

B. Yahoo was founded by Jerry Yang and David Filo, not Bill Gates.

C. Google was founded by Larry Page and Sergey Brin, not Bill Gates.

D. Facebook was founded by Mark Zuckerberg, not Bill Gates.

Question 2 General Knowledge

Tsunami is:

- A. Wind Storm
- B. Storm in the sea ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Earthquake
- D. Hail Storm

A. A wind storm is a storm of wind, not a tsunami.

B. Correct: as filed, a tsunami is a storm (great wave) in the sea.

C. An earthquake may cause a tsunami, but a tsunami is not itself an earthquake.

D. A hail storm is a storm of hail, not a tsunami.

Question 3 General Knowledge

Gynaecology is a branch of:

- A. Geography
- B. Astronomy
- C. Medicine ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Mathematics

ogy is not a branch of geography.

B. Gynaecology is not a branch of astronomy.

C. Correct: gynaecology is the branch of medicine dealing with women's health.

D. Gynaecology is not a branch of mathematics.

Question 4 General Knowledge

ICAO is a world body that regulates:

- A. Civil Aviation ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Railway Systems
- C. Defence Matters
- D. Space Travel

A. Correct: the International Civil Aviation Organization regulates international civil aviation.

B. ICAO does not regulate railways.

C. ICAO does not regulate defence matters.

D. ICAO does not regulate space travel.

Question 5 General Knowledge

The Sun has planets that circle around it:

- A. Eight ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Nine
- C. Ten
- D. Seven

A. Correct: there are eight planets in the Solar System (since Pluto was reclassified as a dwarf planet in 2006).

ted Pluto as a planet, it is no longer classified as one.

C. There are not ten planets.

D. There are not seven planets.

Question 6 General Knowledge

Sultan Mahmood Ghaznavi came from which area of Afghanistan?

- A. Shor
- B. Panjshir
- C. Ghazni ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Kandahar

A. Mahmud did not come from Shor.

B. Mahmud did not come from Panjshir.

C. Correct: Mahmud of Ghazni ruled from Ghazni in Afghanistan.

D. Mahmud did not come from Kandahar.

Question 7 General Knowledge

The ancient city of Harappa was located in which province?

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

A. Harappa is not in Sindh (Mohenjo-daro is).

B. Correct: Harappa is in Sahiwal district, Punjab.

C. Harappa is not in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.

s not in Balochistan.

Question 8 General Knowledge

The Senate of Pakistan has a total of members:

- A. 100
- B. 106
- C. 104 ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. 110

A. The Senate had 100 members before the 18th Amendment raised it to 104.

B. The Senate did not have 106 members.

C. Correct: at the time of the sitting, the Senate of Pakistan had 104 members.

D. The Senate did not have 110 members.

Question 9 General Knowledge

Rana Bhagwandas was a:

- A. Cricket Player
- B. Journalist
- C. Federal Secretary
- D. None of these ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Rana Bhagwandas was not a cricket player.

B. Rana Bhagwandas was not a journalist.

C. Rana Bhagwandas was not a federal secretary.

D. Correct: Rana Bhagwandas was a judge (Chief Justice of Pakistan, acting 2005–06 and 2007), which is none of the listed options.

10 General Knowledge

A.R. Cornelius was a:

- A. Chief Justice of the Supreme Court ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Journalist
- C. Businessman
- D. Writer

A. Correct: Alvin Robert Cornelius was Chief Justice of Pakistan (1960–68).

B. Cornelius was not a journalist.

C. Cornelius was not a businessman.

D. Cornelius was a judge, not known as a writer.

Question 11 Mathematics

What comes next in this sequence: 2, 4, 16, 128, _____

- A. 2008
- B. 2048 ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. 2084
- D. 2804

A. 2008 does not follow the pattern.

B. Correct: each term is multiplied by the next power of 2 (2×2=4, 4×4=16, 16×8=128, 128×16=2048).

C. 2084 does not follow the pattern.

D. 2804 does not follow the pattern.

12 Mathematics

1, 11, 31, 71, _____

- A. 291
- B. 311
- C. 151 ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. 411

A. 291 does not follow the pattern.

B. 311 does not follow the pattern.

C. Correct: the differences double each time (10, 20, 40), so the next difference is 80 and 71+80=151.

D. 411 does not follow the pattern.

Question 13 Mathematics

72 + 21 + 8 + 66 + 37 =

- A. 204 ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. 304
- C. 196
- D. 215

A. Correct: 72+21+8+66+37 = 204.

B. 304 is 100 more than the correct sum.

C. 196 is not the sum.

D. 215 is not the sum.

14 Mathematics

839 − 680 =

- A. 159 ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. 149
- C. 139
- D. 129

A. Correct: 839−680 = 159.

B. 149 is not the difference.

C. 139 is not the difference.

D. 129 is not the difference.

Question 15 Mathematics

40 × 5.1 =

- A. 104
- B. 204 ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. 114
- D. 110

A. 104 is not the product.

B. Correct: 40×5.1 = 204.

C. 114 is not the product.

D. 110 is not the product.

Question 16 Mathematics

3900 ÷ 500 =

- B. 7.8 ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. 8.1
- D. 6.9

A. 3900÷500 is not 7.9.

B. Correct: 3900÷500 = 7.8.

C. 3900÷500 is not 8.1.

D. 3900÷500 is not 6.9.

Question 17 Mathematics

21 × 18 =

- A. 378 ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. 368
- C. 268
- D. 286

A. Correct: 21×18 = 378.

B. 368 is not the product.

C. 268 is not the product.

D. 286 is not the product.

Question 18 Urdu

شہزادہ دارا شکوہ کس مغل بادشاہ کا بھائی تھا؟

A. جہانگیر

B. شاہ عالم

Correct answer ✓ C. اورنگ زیب

D. بہادر شاہ ظفر

A. غلط: جہانگیر دارا شکوہ کا دادا تھا، بھائی نہیں۔

B. غلط: شاہ عالم دارا شکوہ کا بھائی نہیں تھا۔

C. درست: دارا شکوہ شاہ جہاں کا بیٹا اور اورنگ زیب کا بھائی تھا۔

D. غلط: بہادر شاہ ظفر آخری مغل بادشاہ تھا، دارا شکوہ کا بھائی نہیں۔

Question 19 Urdu

لاہور کی چوبرجی کس مغل شہزادی کے باغ کا مدخل تھا؟

Correct answer ✓ A. زیب النسا

B. خیر النسا

C. بدر النسا

D. گلبدن بیگم

A. درست: چوبرجی اورنگ زیب کی بیٹی زیب النسا کے باغ کا مدخل تھا۔

B. غلط: چوبرجی خیر النسا کے باغ کا مدخل نہیں تھا۔

C. غلط: چوبرجی بدر النسا کے باغ کا مدخل نہیں تھا۔

D. غلط: گلبدن بیگم ہمایوں کی بہن تھیں، چوبرجی ان کے باغ کا مدخل نہیں تھا۔

Question 20 Urdu

علامہ اقبال کی موت کے بعد چھپنے والا شاعری کا دیوان کون سا تھا؟

Answer ✓ A. ارمغانِ حجاز

B. ضربِ کلیم

C. پیامِ مشرق

D. زبورِ عجم

A. درست: ارمغانِ حجاز اقبال کی وفات کے بعد 1938 میں شائع ہوا۔

B. غلط: ضربِ کلیم اقبال کی زندگی میں 1936 میں شائع ہوا تھا۔

C. غلط: پیامِ مشرق 1923 میں شائع ہوا تھا۔

D. غلط: زبورِ عجم 1927 میں شائع ہوا تھا۔

Question 21 Urdu

علامہ اقبال کی نظم "مسجدِ قرطبہ" میں مذکور مسجد کس ملک میں واقع ہے؟

A. کرغستان

B. ترکی

Correct answer ✓ C. اسپین

D. بوسنیا

A. غلط: مسجدِ قرطبہ کرغستان میں نہیں ہے۔

B. غلط: مسجدِ قرطبہ ترکی میں نہیں ہے۔

C. درست: مسجدِ قرطبہ اسپین کے شہر قرطبہ (کورڈوبا) میں واقع ہے۔

D. غلط: مسجدِ قرطبہ بوسنیا میں نہیں ہے۔

Note: Note: the printed key B is corrected to C; the Mosque of Córdoba is in Spain, not Turkey.

22 Urdu

قدیم شہر تکشاشلا آج کس نام سے مشہور ہے؟

- A. ٹیکسلا ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. ہری پور
- C. واہ
- D. سنگ جانی

A. درست: قدیم تکشاشلا ہی آج کا ٹیکسلا ہے۔

B. غلط: ہری پور ایک الگ شہر ہے۔

C. غلط: واہ ایک الگ قصبہ ہے۔

D. غلط: سنگ جانی ایک الگ مقام ہے۔

Question 23 Urdu

سلطان قطب الدین ایبک کی تاجپوشی اسی شہر میں ہوئی جہاں وہ چوغان کھیلتا ہوا گھوڑے سے گر کر چل بسا — وہ کون سا شہر تھا؟

- A. پشاور
- B. لاہور ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. دہلی
- D. دھمیک

A. غلط: ایبک کی تاجپوشی پشاور میں نہیں ہوئی۔

B. درست: ایبک کی تاجپوشی 1206 میں لاہور میں ہوئی اور 1210 میں وہیں چوغان کھیلتے ہوئے گھوڑے سے گر کر وفات پا گیا۔

C. غلط: ایک کی ناجیوشی دلو

D. غلط: دھمیک کا اس واقعے سے کوئی تعلق نہیں۔

Question 24 Urdu

"انگارے" کیا ہے؟

- A. ہرن کا بھنا گوشت
- B. عامر خان کی فلم
- C. افسانوں کا ایک مجموعہ ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. سجاد ظہیر کی سوانح حیات

A. غلط: انگارے کوئی کھانا نہیں ہے۔

B. غلط: انگارے کوئی فلم نہیں ہے۔

C. درست: انگارے 1932 میں شائع ہونے والا افسانوں کا مجموعہ ہے۔

D. غلط: انگارے سجاد ظہیر کی سوانح حیات نہیں، افسانوں کا مجموعہ ہے۔

Question 25 Urdu

"حسنِ کوزہ گر" کس کی نظم ہے؟

- A. مجید امجد
- B. عزیز حامد مدنی
- C. احمد ندیم قاسمی
- D. ن م راشد ✓ **Correct answer**

A. غلط: حسنِ کوزہ گر مجید امجد کی نظم نہیں ہے۔

B. غلط: حسنِ کوزہ گر عزیز حامد مدنی

C. غلط: حسنِ کوزہ گر احمد ندیم قاسمی کی نظم نہیں ہے۔

D. درست: حسنِ کوزہ گر ن م راشد کی مشہور نظم ہے۔

Question 26 Urdu

بانگِ درا کی نظم "صقلیہ" میں علامہ اقبال کے مخاطب جزیرہ کس ملک میں واقع ہے؟

- A. قبرص
- B. یونان
- C. لیبیا
- D. اٹلی ✓ **Correct answer**

A. غلط: صقلیہ قبرص میں نہیں ہے۔

B. غلط: صقلیہ یونان میں نہیں ہے۔

C. غلط: صقلیہ لیبیا میں نہیں ہے۔

D. درست: صقلیہ (سسلی) اٹلی کا جزیرہ ہے۔

Question 27 Urdu

شینا زبان پاکستان کے کس حصہ میں بولی جاتی ہے؟

- A. ساحلِ مکران
- B. گلگت بلتستان ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. چولستان
- D. سوات

A. غلط: ساحل مکران میں شینا

B. درست: شینا زبان گلگت بلتستان میں بولی جاتی ہے۔

C. غلط: چولستان میں شینا نہیں بولی جاتی۔

D. غلط: سوات میں شینا نہیں بولی جاتی۔

Question 28 Urdu

ناول "امراؤ جان ادا" کس نے لکھا؟

- A. ڈپٹی نظیر احمد
- B. عصمت چغتائی
- C. عبدالحلیم شرر
- D. مرزا ہادی رسوا ✓ **Correct answer**

A. غلط: ڈپٹی نظیر احمد نے امراؤ جان ادا نہیں لکھا۔

B. غلط: عصمت چغتائی نے امراؤ جان ادا نہیں لکھا۔

C. غلط: عبدالحلیم شرر نے امراؤ جان ادا نہیں لکھا۔

D. درست: امراؤ جان ادا مرزا ہادی رسوا کا ناول ہے۔

Question 29 Urdu

"مشرق و مغرب کے نغمے" کس شاعر کی نثری تصنیف ہے؟

- A. عبدالحمید عدم
- B. جوش ملیح آبادی
- C. میراجی ✓ **Correct answer**

A. غلط: مشرق و مغرب کے نغمے عبدالحمید عدم کی تصنیف نہیں ہے۔

B. غلط: مشرق و مغرب کے نغمے جوش ملیح آبادی کی تصنیف نہیں ہے۔

C. درست: مشرق و مغرب کے نغمے میراجی کی نثری تصنیف ہے۔

D. غلط: مشرق و مغرب کے نغمے یوسف ظفر کی تصنیف نہیں ہے۔

Question 30 Urdu

آخری مغل بادشاہ بہادر شاہ ظفر کا اتالیق کون تھا؟

A. میرزا رفیع سودا

B. انشا اللہ خان انشا

Correct answer ✓ C. ابراہیم ذوق

D. مومن خان مومن

A. غلط: سودا بہادر شاہ ظفر کے استاد نہیں تھے۔

B. غلط: انشا بہادر شاہ ظفر کے استاد نہیں تھے۔

C. درست: ابراہیم ذوق بہادر شاہ ظفر کے استاد اور اتالیق تھے۔

D. غلط: مومن بہادر شاہ ظفر کے استاد نہیں تھے۔

Question 31 Urdu

افسانہ "کفن" کس کی تصنیف ہے؟

A. راجندر سنگھ بیدی

C. سعادت حسن منٹو

D. غلام عباس

A. غلط: کفن راجندر سنگھ بیدی کا افسانہ نہیں ہے۔

B. درست: کفن منشی پریم چند کا مشہور افسانہ ہے۔

C. غلط: کفن منٹو کا افسانہ نہیں ہے۔

D. غلط: کفن غلام عباس کا افسانہ نہیں ہے۔

Question 32 Urdu

کھیر پکائی جتن سے، _____ دیا جلا، آیا کتا کھا گیا تو بیٹھی ڈھول بجا

A. پردہ

B. دودھ

Correct answer ✓ C. چراغ

D. چولھا

A. غلط: اس مصرعے میں خالی جگہ پردہ نہیں آتا۔

B. غلط: اس مصرعے میں خالی جگہ دودھ نہیں آتا۔

C. درست: مصرعہ ہے "کھیر پکائی جتن سے، چراغ دیا جلا"۔

D. غلط: اس مصرعے میں خالی جگہ چولھا نہیں آتا۔

Question 33 Urdu

دھوبی کا کتا، _____ کا نہ _____ کا

Correct answer ✓ A. گھر، گھاٹ

B. گھر، گھانی

C. دو، چار

D. کالے، پیلے

A. درست: ضرب المثل ہے "دھوبی کا کتا، گھر کا نہ گھاٹ کا"۔

B. غلط: ضرب المثل میں گھانی نہیں آتا۔

C. غلط: ضرب المثل میں دو، چار نہیں آتا۔

D. غلط: ضرب المثل میں کالے، پیلے نہیں آتا۔

Question 34 Urdu

سر سید احمد خان نے کون سا مجلہ جاری کیا تھا؟

A. الہلال

B. کوہِ نور

Correct answer ✓ C. تہذیب الاخلاق

D. زمیندار

A. غلط: الہلال مولانا ابوالکلام آزاد کا مجلہ تھا۔

B. غلط: کوہِ نور سر سید کا مجلہ نہیں تھا۔

C. درست: تہذیب الاخلاق سر سید احمد خان نے 1870 میں جاری کیا تھا۔

D. غلط: زمیندار مولانا ظفر علی خان کا اخبار تھا۔

35 Urdu

برصغیر میں مسلمانوں کی جدید ریاست کا نام "پاکستان" کس نے تجویز کیا؟

- A. نواب محمد اسماعیل
- B. مولانا محمد علی جوہر
- C. چوہدری رحمت علی ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. علامہ اقبال

A. غلط: نواب محمد اسماعیل نے نام پاکستان تجویز نہیں کیا۔

B. غلط: مولانا محمد علی جوہر نے نام پاکستان تجویز نہیں کیا۔

C. درست: چوہدری رحمت علی نے 1933 میں اپنے پمفلٹ "اب یا کبھی نہیں" میں نام پاکستان تجویز کیا۔

D. غلط: علامہ اقبال نے نام پاکستان تجویز نہیں کیا۔

Question 36 Urdu

بھاشا ڈیم پاکستان کے کس حصہ میں بن رہا ہے؟

- A. گلگت بلتستان ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. خیبر پختونخوا
- C. بلوچستان
- D. فاٹا

A. درست: دیامر بھاشا ڈیم گلگت بلتستان میں بن رہا ہے۔

B. غلط: بھاشا ڈیم خیبر پختونخوا میں نہیں بن رہا۔

C. غلط: بھاشا ڈیم بلوچستان میں نہیں بن رہا۔

D. غلط: تماشا دیکھ فاٹا

Question 37 Urdu

"آبِ حیات" کے مصنف کون تھے؟

A. مولانا ظفر علی خان

B. مولانا غلام رسول مہر

C. مولوی محمد حسین آزاد ✓ **Correct answer**

D. مولانا شبلی نعمانی

A. غلط: آبِ حیات مولانا ظفر علی خان کی تصنیف نہیں ہے۔

B. غلط: آبِ حیات مولانا غلام رسول مہر کی تصنیف نہیں ہے۔

C. درست: آبِ حیات مولوی محمد حسین آزاد کی تصنیف ہے۔

D. غلط: آبِ حیات مولانا شبلی نعمانی کی تصنیف نہیں ہے۔

Question 38 General Knowledge

The hero of the recent Pakistani film "Waar" is:

- A. Shan ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Jawad Khan
- C. Javed Shaikh
- D. Ali Zafar

A. Correct: Shaan Shahid played the hero in Waar (2013).

B. Jawad Khan was not the hero of Waar.

C. Javed Shaikh was not the hero of Waar.

was not the hero of Waar.

Question 39 General Knowledge

Manghopir in Karachi is famous for its:

- A. Blind Dolphins
- B. Sulphur Springs ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Coal Deposits
- D. Gas Fields

A. Blind dolphins are found in the Indus, not at Manghopir.

B. Correct: Manghopir is famous for its hot sulphur springs.

C. Manghopir is not famous for coal deposits.

D. Manghopir is not famous for gas fields.

Question 40 General Knowledge

The music of our national anthem was composed by:

- A. Ahmed G. Chagla ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Rashid Attre
- C. Khurshid Anwar
- D. Khalil Ahmed

A. Correct: Ahmed Ghulamali Chagla composed the music of Pakistan's national anthem.

B. Rashid Attre did not compose the national anthem's music.

C. Khurshid Anwar did not compose the national anthem's music.

D. Khalil Ahmed did not compose the national anthem's music.

41 General Knowledge

The second highest mountain peak K-2 is situated in:

- A. Bhutan
- B. China
- C. Pakistan ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Afghanistan

A. K-2 is not in Bhutan.

B. K-2 stands on the Pakistan–China border but is counted in Pakistan.

C. Correct: K-2 is situated in Pakistan (Gilgit-Baltistan).

D. K-2 is not in Afghanistan.

Question 42 General Knowledge

Bolan Pass is situated in:

- A. Baluchistan ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Khyber Pakhtunkhwa
- C. Punjab
- D. Azad Kashmir

A. Correct: the Bolan Pass is in Balochistan.

B. The Bolan Pass is not in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.

C. The Bolan Pass is not in Punjab.

D. The Bolan Pass is not in Azad Kashmir.

Question 43 General Knowledge

Hansraj, the pet antelope of Mughal Prince Salim, is buried in:

- B. Agra
- C. Hiran Minar ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Kandahar

A. Hansraj is not buried at Dina.

B. Hansraj is not buried at Agra.

C. Correct: Hansraj is buried at Hiran Minar, Sheikhupura, built by Jahangir (then Prince Salim) for his pet antelope.

D. Hansraj is not buried at Kandahar.

Question 44 General Knowledge

Tick the odd word:

- A. Faisalabad
- B. Turkmenistan ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Bahawalpur
- D. Tashkent

A. Faisalabad is a city.

B. Correct: Turkmenistan is a country, while the other three are cities.

C. Bahawalpur is a city.

D. Tashkent is a city.

Question 45 General Knowledge

Tick the odd word out:

- A. Eat
- B. Sleep

adol ✓ **Correct answer**

- D. Drink

A. Eat is an action (verb).

B. Sleep is an action (verb).

C. Correct: Panadol is a medicine (a noun), while the other three are actions.

D. Drink is an action (verb).

Question 46 General Knowledge

Pakistan hosted the Second Islamic Summit in:

- A. 1974 Lahore ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. 1972 Islamabad
- C. 1976 Karachi
- D. 1977 Lahore

A. Correct: the Second Islamic Summit was held in Lahore in February 1974.

B. No Islamic Summit was held in Islamabad in 1972.

C. No Islamic Summit was held in Karachi in 1976.

D. No Islamic Summit was held in Lahore in 1977.

Question 47 General Knowledge

The Lucknow Pact was signed between the League and the National Congress in:

- A. 1917
- B. 1916 ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. 1937
- D. 1935

ow Pact was not signed in 1917.

B. Correct: the Lucknow Pact was signed in December 1916.

C. The Lucknow Pact was not signed in 1937.

D. The Lucknow Pact was not signed in 1935.

Question 48 General Knowledge

Ethics is about:

- A. Concepts of right and wrong ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Improving your health
- C. Making you a wealthy person
- D. Helping you build a house

A. Correct: ethics is the study of right and wrong.

B. Ethics is not about improving health.

C. Ethics is not about making you wealthy.

D. Ethics is not about building houses.

Question 49 General Knowledge

Vatican City is the seat of:

- A. Anglican Church
- B. Greek Orthodox Church
- C. Roman Catholic Church ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Free Mason Club

A. The Anglican Church is centred on Canterbury, not the Vatican.

B. The Greek Orthodox Church is centred on Constantinople, not the Vatican.

atican City is the seat of the Roman Catholic Church.

D. The Vatican is not the seat of Freemasonry.

Question 50 General Knowledge

OGRA is the regulatory body for:

- A. Electronic Media
- B. Oil and Gas ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Banking Sector
- D. Oil and Geology

A. Electronic media is regulated by PEMRA, not OGRA.

B. Correct: OGRA is the Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority.

C. Banking is regulated by the State Bank, not OGRA.

D. OGRA regulates oil and gas, not geology.

Question 51 General Knowledge

In 1895, Quaid-e-Azam was called to the Bar at:

- A. Lincoln's Inn ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Inner Temple
- C. Middle Temple
- D. Gray's Inn

A. Correct: Jinnah was called to the Bar at Lincoln's Inn in 1896 (the paper files 1895; the Inn is Lincoln's).

B. Jinnah was not called at the Inner Temple.

C. Jinnah was not called at the Middle Temple.

s not called at Gray's Inn.

Note: Note: Jinnah was called to the Bar in 1896, not 1895 as the stem says; the filed stem keeps the source year.

Question 52 General Knowledge

Quaid-e-Azam's daughter was named:

- A. Dina ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Roxana
- C. Farzana
- D. Rehana

A. Correct: Jinnah's daughter was Dina Wadia.

B. Roxana was not Jinnah's daughter.

C. Farzana was not Jinnah's daughter.

D. Rehana was not Jinnah's daughter.

Question 53 General Knowledge

The currency of Bangladesh is:

- A. Rupiah
- B. Taka ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Riyal
- D. Gong

A. The rupiah is the currency of Indonesia.

B. Correct: the taka is the currency of Bangladesh.

C. The riyal is the currency of Saudi Arabia and others, not Bangladesh.

ot a currency.

Question 54 General Knowledge

Currency of Malaysia is:

- A. Kyat
- B. Malaysian
- C. Ringgit ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Peso

A. The kyat is the currency of Myanmar.

B. "Malaysian" is not a currency.

C. Correct: the ringgit is the currency of Malaysia.

D. The peso is the currency of the Philippines and others, not Malaysia.

Question 55 General Knowledge

ENGRO is a:

- A. Large Company
- B. Housing Society
- C. Food Company ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Hill Station

A. ENGRO is indeed a large company (a conglomerate), so this is also defensible; it is not the filed answer.

B. ENGRO is not a housing society.

C. Correct as filed: ENGRO is filed as a food company (its best-known business is foods, notably Engro Foods).

D. ENGRO is not a hill station.

56 General Knowledge

Sarajevo is the capital city of:

- A. Turkmenistan
- B. Azerbaijan
- C. Bosnia ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Moldova

A. Sarajevo is not the capital of Turkmenistan (Ashgabat is).

B. Sarajevo is not the capital of Azerbaijan (Baku is).

C. Correct: Sarajevo is the capital of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

D. Sarajevo is not the capital of Moldova (Chisinau is).

Question 57 General Knowledge

The Nobel Laureate of Literature Orhan Pamuk is a national of which country?

- A. Colombia
- B. Poland
- C. Ghana
- D. Turkey ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Orhan Pamuk is not Colombian.

B. Orhan Pamuk is not Polish.

C. Orhan Pamuk is not Ghanaian.

D. Correct: Orhan Pamuk is Turkish (Nobel Prize in Literature, 2006).

Question 58 General Knowledge

Malala Yousafzai shared the 2014 Nobel Peace Prize with:

- B. Kailash Satyarthi ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Arun Kejriwal
- D. Sirivand Subhash

A. Amartya Sen did not share the 2014 Nobel Peace Prize with Malala.

B. Correct: Malala shared the 2014 Nobel Peace Prize with Kailash Satyarthi of India.

C. Arvind Kejriwal did not share the prize.

D. This name is not a 2014 Nobel laureate.

Question 59 General Knowledge

Ho Chi Minh City is located in:

- A. Cambodia
- B. Vietnam ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Laos
- D. Thailand

A. Ho Chi Minh City is not in Cambodia.

B. Correct: Ho Chi Minh City (formerly Saigon) is in Vietnam.

C. Ho Chi Minh City is not in Laos.

D. Ho Chi Minh City is not in Thailand.

Question 60 General Knowledge

Sumatra island is a part of which country?

- A. Malaysia
- B. Brunei
- C. Philippines

onesia ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Sumatra is not part of Malaysia.

B. Sumatra is not part of Brunei.

C. Sumatra is not part of the Philippines.

D. Correct: Sumatra is part of Indonesia.

Question 61 General Knowledge

St. Petersburg is a:

- A. Church
- B. Football Stadium
- C. Russian City ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Romantic Novel

A. St. Petersburg is not a church.

B. St. Petersburg is not a football stadium.

C. Correct: St. Petersburg is a city in Russia.

D. St. Petersburg is not a novel.

Question 62 General Knowledge

Capital city of Ukraine is:

- A. Kiev ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Damascus
- C. Ankara
- D. Crimea

A. Correct: Kyiv (Kiev) is the capital of Ukraine.

s is the capital of Syria.

C. Ankara is the capital of Turkey.

D. Crimea is a peninsula, not a capital city.

Question 63 General Knowledge

Gorakh Hill Station is in which province?

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

A. Gorakh Hill is not in Balochistan.

B. Gorakh Hill is not in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.

C. Correct: Gorakh Hill Station is in Dadu district, Sindh.

D. Gorakh Hill is not in Punjab.

Question 64 General Knowledge

Hingol Dam is in:

- A. Gilgit-Baltistan
- B. Khyber Pakhtunkhwa
- C. Azad Kashmir
- D. Baluchistan ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Hingol Dam is not in Gilgit-Baltistan.

B. Hingol Dam is not in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.

C. Hingol Dam is not in Azad Kashmir.

ingol Dam is on the Hingol River in Balochistan.

Question 65 General Knowledge

Emperor Akbar is buried in:

- A. Ajmer
- B. Agra ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Delhi
- D. Sikandra

A. Akbar is not buried at Ajmer.

B. Correct as filed: Akbar's tomb is at Sikandra, near Agra.

C. Akbar is not buried at Delhi.

D. Sikandra is the precise site of Akbar's tomb, within the Agra district; it is also defensible, so this is a pick-one.

Question 66 General Knowledge

Abbottabad is connected with Gilgit through which mountain pass?

- A. Babusar Pass ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Lowari Pass
- C. Shandur Pass
- D. Gomal Pass

A. Correct: Abbottabad is connected with Gilgit through the Babusar Pass.

B. The Lowari Pass connects Dir with Chitral, not Abbottabad with Gilgit.

C. The Shandur Pass connects Chitral with Gilgit, not Abbottabad with Gilgit.

D. The Gomal Pass is in the south, not on the Abbottabad–Gilgit route.

67 General Knowledge

Indus Basin Treaty between Pakistan and India was signed in:

- A. 1959
- B. 1960 ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. 1962
- D. 1965

A. The Indus Waters Treaty was not signed in 1959.

B. Correct: the Indus Waters Treaty was signed in 1960.

C. The Indus Waters Treaty was not signed in 1962.

D. The Indus Waters Treaty was not signed in 1965.

Question 68 English

Choose the word that is nearly similar in meaning to the word in capital letters:

OBSCURE

- A. doubtful ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. unclear
- C. enclosed
- D. brilliant

A. Correct as filed: "obscure" can mean doubtful or uncertain.

B. "Unclear" is also a close synonym of "obscure", so this is also defensible; it is not the filed answer.

C. "Enclosed" is not a synonym of "obscure".

D. "Brilliant" is an antonym of "obscure".

69 English

HOODWINK

- A. delude ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. avoid
- C. rob
- D. kill

A. Correct: to hoodwink is to delude or deceive.

B. "Avoid" is not a synonym of "hoodwink".

C. "Rob" is not a synonym of "hoodwink".

D. "Kill" is not a synonym of "hoodwink".

Question 70 English

OBSESSION

- A. fixed ideas ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. delusion
- C. doubt
- D. think

A. Correct: an obsession is a persistent fixed idea.

B. A delusion is a false belief, not an obsession.

C. "Doubt" is not a synonym of "obsession".

D. "Think" is not a synonym of "obsession".

Note: Note: the printed key B is corrected to A; "delusion" is a false belief, while an obsession is a fixed idea.

71 English

PRESUMPTIVE

- A. credible
- B. timid
- C. brave
- D. haughty ✓ **Correct answer**

A. "Credible" is not a synonym of "presumptive".

B. "Timid" is an antonym of "presumptive".

C. "Brave" is not a synonym of "presumptive".

D. Correct: "presumptive" (presumptuous) means arrogantly assuming, i.e. haughty.

Question 72 English

AMIABLE

- A. harmless
- B. affable ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. wicked
- D. honest

A. "Harmless" is not a synonym of "amiable".

B. Correct: "amiable" means friendly and pleasant, i.e. affable.

C. "Wicked" is an antonym of "amiable".

D. "Honest" is not a synonym of "amiable".

Question 73 English

IGNOBLE

- B. good
- C. vile ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. noble

A. "Lowly" is close to "ignoble" in the sense of low birth, but "vile" is the filed synonym.

B. "Good" is an antonym of "ignoble".

C. Correct: "ignoble" means base or vile.

D. "Noble" is an antonym of "ignoble".

Note: Note: the printed key B is corrected to C; "good" is the opposite of "ignoble".

Question 74 English

OBLITERATE

- A. preserve
- B. destroy ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. ravage
- D. manage

A. "Preserve" is an antonym of "obliterate".

B. Correct: to obliterate is to destroy completely.

C. "Ravage" means to devastate, which is close, but "destroy" is the filed synonym.

D. "Manage" is not a synonym of "obliterate".

Question 75 English

VULGAR

- A. gross

- C. coarse ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. obscure

A. "Gross" is close to "vulgar", but "coarse" is the filed synonym.

B. "Exquisite" is an antonym of "vulgar".

C. Correct: "vulgar" means coarse or crude.

D. "Obscure" is not a synonym of "vulgar".

Question 76 English

CONSCIENTIOUS

- A. profligate
- B. principled
- C. honourable ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. uncorrupt

A. "Profligate" is an antonym of "conscientious".

B. "Principled" is also a close synonym of "conscientious", so this is also defensible; it is not the filed answer.

C. Correct as filed: a conscientious person is honourable in doing their duty.

D. "Uncorrupt" is not a synonym of "conscientious".

Question 77 English

ALLY

- A. foe
- B. alloy
- C. partner ✓ **Correct answer**

A. "Foe" is an antonym of "ally".

B. "Alloy" is a mixture of metals, not a synonym of "ally".

C. Correct: an ally is a partner.

D. "Accessory" is not a synonym of "ally".

Question 78 General Knowledge

Pakistan's largest export is:

- A. Sugar
- B. Textile ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Cement
- D. Leather

A. Sugar is not Pakistan's largest export.

B. Correct: textiles are Pakistan's largest export.

C. Cement is not Pakistan's largest export.

D. Leather is not Pakistan's largest export.

Question 79 General Knowledge

Pakistan's interest rate today is:

- A. 8% ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. 8.5%
- C. 9%
- D. 7.5%

A. Correct: the State Bank's policy rate was 8% in March–May 2015, the time of the sitting.

rate was not 8.5% at the sitting.

C. The policy rate was not 9% at the sitting.

D. The policy rate was not 7.5% at the sitting.

Question 80 General Knowledge

GDP of Pakistan in US dollars is:

- A. 232 Billion
- B. 230 Billion ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. 240 Billion
- D. 250 Billion

A. $232 billion is not the filed figure.

B. Correct as filed: $230 billion was Pakistan's nominal GDP in 2013; by 2015 it was about $271 billion.

C. $240 billion is not the filed figure.

D. $250 billion is not the filed figure.

Question 81 General Knowledge

Pakistan's export worth is:

- A. Equal to the imports
- B. Less than the imports ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. More than the imports
- D. Half the worth of its imports

A. Pakistan's exports are not equal to its imports.

B. Correct: Pakistan runs a trade deficit — its exports are worth less than its imports.

exports are not worth more than its imports.

D. Pakistan's exports are more than half the worth of its imports.

Question 82 General Knowledge

Jansher Khan is a famous name in which sport?

- A. Hockey
- B. Boxing
- C. Kabaddi
- D. Squash ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Jansher Khan was not a hockey player.

B. Jansher Khan was not a boxer.

C. Jansher Khan was not a kabaddi player.

D. Correct: Jansher Khan was a world-champion squash player.

Question 83 General Knowledge

Mohammad Asif recently won a world title in which sport?

- A. Snooker ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Scrabble
- C. Chess
- D. Bridge

A. Correct: Mohammad Asif won the IBSF World Snooker Championship (2012).

B. Mohammad Asif did not win a world title in Scrabble.

C. Mohammad Asif did not win a world title in chess.

D. Mohammad Asif did not win a world title in bridge.

84 English

Who wrote the famous English novels "The Crow Eaters" and "The Ice-Candy Man"?

- A. Prof. Ahmed Ali
- B. Bapsi Sidhwa ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Alamgir Hashmi
- D. Musharraf Ali Farooqi

A. Ahmed Ali wrote Twilight in Delhi, not The Crow Eaters.

B. Correct: Bapsi Sidhwa wrote The Crow Eaters (1978) and The Ice-Candy Man (1988).

C. Alamgir Hashmi was a poet and critic, not the author of these novels.

D. Musharraf Ali Farooqi did not write these novels.

Note: Note: the source stem is garbled ("Mohammad Asif recently author wrote the famous English Novels..."); it is filed as the question above.

Question 85 General Knowledge

SAARC Secretariat is located in:

- A. Dhaka
- B. Kathmandu ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Male
- D. Colombo

A. The SAARC Secretariat is not in Dhaka (the first summit was there).

B. Correct: the SAARC Secretariat is in Kathmandu, Nepal.

C. The SAARC Secretariat is not in Male.

D. The SAARC Secretariat is not in Colombo.

86 General Knowledge

ECO Secretariat is located in:

- A. Tehran ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Istanbul
- C. Ankara
- D. Tashkent

A. Correct: the ECO (Economic Cooperation Organization) Secretariat is in Tehran, Iran.

B. The ECO Secretariat is not in Istanbul.

C. The ECO Secretariat is not in Ankara.

D. The ECO Secretariat is not in Tashkent.

Question 87 General Knowledge

The next Summer Olympic Games are due to be held in:

- A. 2016 Rio de Janeiro ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. 2017 Moscow
- C. 2016 Seoul
- D. 2018 Paris

A. Correct: the next Summer Olympics (after London 2012) were held in Rio de Janeiro in 2016.

B. The Olympics were not held in Moscow in 2017.

C. The Olympics were not held in Seoul in 2016 (Seoul hosted in 1988).

D. The Olympics were not held in Paris in 2018 (Paris hosted in 2024).

88 General Knowledge

The UN Security Council has _____ permanent member states that have the veto power.

- A. Six
- B. Five ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Seven
- D. Fifteen

A. The Security Council does not have six permanent members.

B. Correct: the Security Council has five permanent members with the veto (USA, UK, France, Russia, China).

C. The Security Council does not have seven permanent members.

D. Fifteen is the total membership of the Security Council, not the permanent members.

Question 89 General Knowledge

UNESCO is a UN body that works for:

- A. Industrial Labour
- B. Education, Science, Culture ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Health Matters
- D. Population

A. Industrial labour is the ILO's field, not UNESCO's.

B. Correct: UNESCO works for education, science and culture.

C. Health is the WHO's field, not UNESCO's.

D. Population is the UNFPA's field, not UNESCO's.

90 General Knowledge

Astronomy is a study of:

- A. Pre-historic Animals
- B. Stars ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Underwater Resources
- D. Man's Origins

A. Prehistoric animals are studied by palaeontology, not astronomy.

B. Correct: astronomy is the study of stars and other celestial bodies.

C. Underwater resources are studied by oceanography, not astronomy.

D. Man's origins are studied by anthropology, not astronomy.

Question 91 General Knowledge

Ibn-e-Khaldun is remembered as a pioneer of:

- A. Geography
- B. Chemistry
- C. Sociology ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Arabic

A. Ibn Khaldun is not remembered as a pioneer of geography.

B. Ibn Khaldun is not remembered as a pioneer of chemistry.

C. Correct: Ibn Khaldun is remembered as a pioneer of sociology (the Muqaddimah).

D. Ibn Khaldun is not remembered as a pioneer of Arabic.

Question 92 General Knowledge

E-Commerce is:

ine Trade ✓ **Correct answer**

- B. Social Networking
- C. Stocks and Shares
- D. Commodity Exchange

A. Correct: e-commerce is trade conducted online.

B. Social networking is not e-commerce.

C. Stocks and shares are traded on stock exchanges, not e-commerce as such.

D. A commodity exchange is not e-commerce.

Question 93 General Knowledge

Boko Haram is a:

- A. Football Club
- B. Terrorist Group ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Moroccan Film
- D. Drink

A. Boko Haram is not a football club.

B. Correct: Boko Haram is a terrorist group in Nigeria.

C. Boko Haram is not a Moroccan film.

D. Boko Haram is not a drink.

Question 94 General Knowledge

Lee Kuan Yew is considered as the father of:

- A. Myanmar
- B. Maldives
- C. Singapore ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Lee Kuan Yew was not the father of Myanmar.

B. Lee Kuan Yew was not the father of the Maldives.

C. Correct: Lee Kuan Yew is regarded as the founding father of Singapore.

D. Lee Kuan Yew was not the father of Fiji.

Question 95 General Knowledge

Mahathir Mohamad was the Prime Minister of:

- A. Brunei
- B. Philippines
- C. Indonesia
- D. Malaysia ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Mahathir Mohamad was not Prime Minister of Brunei.

B. Mahathir Mohamad was not Prime Minister of the Philippines.

C. Mahathir Mohamad was not Prime Minister of Indonesia.

D. Correct: Mahathir Mohamad was Prime Minister of Malaysia (1981–2003).

Question 96 General Knowledge

Cyber Crime is related to:

- A. Aircraft
- B. Cellphone
- C. Computer ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Railway

A. Cyber crime is not related to aircraft.

...e can be involved in cyber crime, but the filed answer is computer.

C. Correct: cyber crime is crime related to computers and networks.

D. Cyber crime is not related to railways.

Question 97 General Knowledge

Which is the odd word among these?

- A. Tail
- B. Big
- C. Strawberry ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. High

A. Tail is a descriptive word (a part of an animal), not a fruit.

B. Big is a descriptive word, not a fruit.

C. Correct: strawberry is the only fruit among the four.

D. High is a descriptive word, not a fruit.

Question 98 General Knowledge

Which is the odd word among these?

- A. Bitter
- B. Sour
- C. Sweet
- D. Deep ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Bitter is a taste.

B. Sour is a taste.

C. Sweet is a taste.

eep is not a taste, while the other three are.

Question 99 General Knowledge

Which is the odd word among these?

- A. Shoe
- B. Shirt
- C. Trousers
- D. Pink ✓ **Correct answer**

A. A shoe is an item of clothing.

B. A shirt is an item of clothing.

C. Trousers are an item of clothing.

D. Correct: pink is a colour, not an item of clothing.

Question 100 General Knowledge

The 1973 Constitution of Pakistan has been amended:

- A. 21 Times ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. 20 Times
- C. 19 Times
- D. 22 Times

A. Correct: by 2015, the 1973 Constitution had been amended 21 times (the 22nd Amendment came in June 2016).

B. The Constitution had been amended more than 20 times by 2015.

C. The Constitution had been amended more than 19 times by 2015.

D. The Constitution had been amended 21 times by 2015; the 22nd Amendment came in June 2016.

the printed key D is corrected to A; the 22nd Amendment was passed in June 2016, after the sitting.

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