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> **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 2017 sitting.

Source note: Atif Pedia reproduction of the same sitting (Q1–Q90 in book order with a printed key) + PACE GK Academy reproduction, question page 41 (all 100 items with a printed key; the Urdu section Q91–Q100 is taken from PACE, which the Atif Pedia text omits). 3 printed keys corrected on independent evidence: Q39 'survival of the fittest' coined by Herbert Spencer (printed A Darwin, filed B), Q89 first Finance Minister Malik Ghulam Muhammad (printed D Zafarullah Khan, filed C), Q95 correct Urdu spelling ناراضگی (printed D, filed B). PACE key also wrong on Q17 (Balochistan) and Q49 (Gulf options printed for the pen question); the Atif Pedia key is right on both and is filed. 1 DEFECTIVE-excluded: Q8 (no head of state among the options — Roosevelt WAS head of state; Churchill and Mussolini were heads of government). Dedup 13 Nov 2026 vs the live library (867 built files, 66,603 stems incl. live 2017 ASI, Junior Clerk Police and Junior Clerk SGAD): max 7 stems vs any one built paper — scattered bank reuse, no duplicate.

Question 1 Islamiat

The "Nisab" of Zakat is:

- A. 52 1/2 tolas silver or 7 1/2 tolas gold ✓ **Correct answer**

/2 tolas silver or 10 tolas gold

- C. 52 1/2 tolas silver or 7 tolas gold
- D. None of these

A. Correct: the nisab is 7.5 tolas of gold or 52.5 tolas of silver.

B. Wrong on both figures: the nisab is 52.5 tolas of silver and 7.5 tolas of gold, not 53.5 and 10.

C. Wrong on the gold figure: the nisab is 7.5 tolas of gold, not 7.

D. Wrong: option A states the nisab correctly.

Note: Note: the reproduction prints "tolas tola" / "tolas told"; the filed options carry "tolas gold" (PACE confirms the wording).

Question 2 Current Affairs

Last Annual Summit of Shanghai Cooperation Organization was held during June 2017, at the location of:

- A. Tashkent, Uzbekistan
- B. Dushanbe, Tajikistan
- C. Astana, Kazakhstan ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Beijing, China

A. Wrong: Tashkent hosted the SCO summit in 2016, not June 2017.

B. Wrong: Dushanbe has hosted SCO summits, but not the June 2017 one.

C. Correct: the SCO summit of 8–9 June 2017 was held in Astana, where India and Pakistan joined as full members.

D. Wrong: Beijing hosts the SCO Secretariat, but the June 2017 summit was in Astana.

3 English

The car ___ front is slowing down.

- A. in ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. on
- C. about
- D. of

A. Correct: "the car in front" is the set phrase for the vehicle ahead of you.

B. Wrong: "on front" is not an English phrase.

C. Wrong: "about front" makes no sense here.

D. Wrong: "of front" is not an English phrase.

Note: Note: the reproduction prints the sentence without the blank; the blank is restored between "car" and "front".

Question 4 General Knowledge

'Nippon' is the stock exchange market of:

- A. Tokyo ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. London
- C. New York
- D. None of these

A. Correct: Nippon is Japan, and Japan's principal stock exchange (the Nikkei market) is in Tokyo.

B. Wrong: London's market is the London Stock Exchange, not Japan's.

C. Wrong: New York's market is the NYSE, not Japan's.

D. Wrong: Tokyo is among the options and is correct.

the reproduction prints 'Nippon' (Japan); read as the Japanese market — the answer Tokyo stands either way.

Question 5 Pakistan Studies

Name the princely State other than Kashmir which caused a dispute between India & Pakistan:

- A. Bahawalpur
- B. Junagadh ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Chitral
- D. Gurdaspur

A. Wrong: Bahawalpur acceded to Pakistan without a dispute.

B. Correct: Junagadh's Muslim ruler acceded to Pakistan in 1947 while its Hindu-majority population and India objected, causing a dispute.

C. Wrong: Chitral acceded to Pakistan without a dispute.

D. Wrong: Gurdaspur is a district, not a princely state, and its award was a boundary matter, not a princely-state accession dispute.

Question 6 Everyday Science

Which type of milk is generally lowest in fat?

- A. Full cream
- B. Powered
- C. Dried
- D. Skimmed ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Wrong: full-cream milk keeps all its fat, about 3–4%.

B. Wrong: powdered milk is dried whole or skimmed milk; the word is "powdered", and it is not the lowest-fat type.

ied milk is simply milk with the water removed, not a low-fat type.

D. Correct: skimmed milk has almost all the cream removed, so it is lowest in fat.

Question 7 Islamiat

In which Heaven "Bait-ul-Ma'mur" is situated?

- A. 4th
- B. 5th
- C. 6th
- D. 7th ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Wrong: the fourth heaven is not where Bait-ul-Ma'mur is placed in the narration.

B. Wrong: the fifth heaven is not where Bait-ul-Ma'mur is placed.

C. Wrong: the sixth heaven is where the Holy Prophet (PBUH) met Musa (AS); Bait-ul-Ma'mur is higher.

D. Correct: in the narration of the Mi'raj, the Holy Prophet (PBUH) saw Bait-ul-Ma'mur in the seventh heaven, where Ibrahim (AS) was reclining against it.

Question 8 General Knowledge

Who among the following was not Head of the State during World War Second?

- A. Winston Churchill
- B. Theodore Roosevelt
- C. Mussolini
- D. Stalin

No answer is given for this question, and none is taught. DEFECTIVE — EXCLUDED, no answer taught (The filed key (B, Theodore Roosevelt) is factually wrong: Roosevelt WAS head of state as President of the United States throughout most of the war. Two options are both defensible as "not head of state": Churchill was Prime Minister while King George

of state, and Mussolini was head of government while King Victor Emmanuel III was head of state. The question has no unique correct answer.)

A. Churchill was Prime Minister, not head of state; the King was head of state.

B. Roosevelt was President of the United States, which IS head of state, so the filed key is wrong.

C. Mussolini was head of government (Duce), not head of state; the King was head of state.

D. Stalin was the Soviet Union's de facto head as General Secretary and Chairman of the Council of People's Commissars.

Question 9 Mathematics

What fraction of a cake remains when its 2/8 part has been eaten?

- A. 3/4 ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. 3/8
- C. 6/9
- D. 8/3

A. Correct: 1 − 2/8 = 6/8 = 3/4 remains.

B. Wrong: 3/8 is neither the eaten part (2/8) nor the remainder (6/8).

C. Wrong: 6/9 equals 2/3, not 6/8.

D. Wrong: 8/3 is greater than 1, impossible for a remaining fraction of a cake.

Question 10 Pakistan Studies

Basic Democracies System was for the first time implemented in Pakistan in the year:

- A. 1948
- B. 1949

0 ✓ Correct answer

- D. 1979

A. Wrong: no Basic Democracies system existed in 1948.

B. Wrong: the system was not introduced in 1949.

C. Correct: Ayub Khan introduced the Basic Democracies system in 1959–60, with the first elections in 1960.

D. Wrong: by 1979 the Basic Democracies system was long gone.

Question 11 English

From following, find the correct punctuated sentence:

- A. Shakespeares Hamlet is the play for all ages
- B. Shakespeares Hamelt is the play for all ages
- C. Shakespeares' Hamlet is the play for all ages
- D. Shakespeare's Hamlet is the play for all ages ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Wrong: the possessive needs an apostrophe, "Shakespeare's".

B. Wrong: it lacks the apostrophe and misspells "Hamlet" as "Hamelt".

C. Wrong: the apostrophe after the "s" is for plural possessives; the singular possessive is "Shakespeare's".

D. Correct: singular possessive "Shakespeare's" with "Hamlet" spelled correctly.

Note: Note: the Atif Pedia text truncates each option mid-word; the full sentence is filed from the PACE reproduction of the same sitting.

Question 12 Mathematics

The zoo had some lions and some parrots. The supervisor counted 15 heads and 50 legs.

ions are there?

- A. 9
- B. 10 ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. 12
- D. 13

A. Wrong: 9 lions (36 legs) plus 6 parrots (12 legs) gives 48 legs, not 50.

B. Correct: 10 lions have 40 legs and 5 parrots have 10 legs, totalling 15 heads and 50 legs.

C. Wrong: 12 lions (48 legs) plus 3 parrots (6 legs) gives 54 legs, not 50.

D. Wrong: 13 lions alone would have 52 legs, already more than 50.

Question 13 English

Choose the correct option: The students who had the flu had a(n) reason for missing school. They normally have perfect attendance, and their absence that day was a(n):

- A. Unwarranted anomaly
- B. Legitimate aberration ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Unjustifiable travesty
- D. Inconsolable fluke

A. Wrong: "unwarranted" means unjustified, the opposite of the sense needed for a genuine absence.

B. Correct: "legitimate" fits a genuine, justified reason, and the pair is the filed key confirmed by both sources.

C. Wrong: "unjustifiable" contradicts a genuine reason, and "travesty" does not describe an absence.

D. Wrong: "inconsolable" describes grief, not a reason for missing school.

14 Pakistan Studies

The first Session of the Constituent Assembly of Pakistan was held on:

- A. 11 Aug 1947 ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. 14 Aug 1947
- C. 30 Aug 1947
- D. 6 Sep 1947

A. Correct: the Constituent Assembly of Pakistan held its first session on 11 August 1947, when Jinnah was elected its president.

B. Wrong: 14 August 1947 is Independence Day, not the Assembly's first session.

C. Wrong: no first session was held on this date.

D. Wrong: no first session was held on this date.

Question 15 General Knowledge

Gomal University is in:

- A. Quetta
- B. D.G. Khan
- C. Peshawar
- D. Dera Ismail Khan ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Wrong: Quetta is in Balochistan and hosts the University of Balochistan, not Gomal University.

B. Wrong: Dera Ghazi Khan hosts Ghazi University, not Gomal University.

C. Wrong: Peshawar hosts the University of Peshawar, not Gomal University.

D. Correct: Gomal University is in Dera Ismail Khan, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.

Note: Note: the reproduction prints "Deraismail Khan"; the filed option carries the correct

Question 16 Computer

The Tool used for finding a similar word in a Document is called:

- A. Finder
- B. Thesaurus ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Dictionary
- D. Find/Replace

A. Wrong: Finder is a file manager on macOS, not a similar-words tool.

B. Correct: a thesaurus lists synonyms and related words, and MS Word's Thesaurus tool finds similar words.

C. Wrong: a dictionary gives meanings and spellings, not lists of similar words.

D. Wrong: Find/Replace locates and substitutes text; it does not suggest similar words.

Question 17 General Knowledge

Diamer Bhasha dam is being constructed in:

- A. Balochistan
- B. Khyber Pakhtunkhwa
- C. Gilgit-Baltistan ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Sindh

A. Wrong: the Diamer-Bhasha Dam is not in Balochistan (the PACE key saying so is rejected).

B. Wrong: the dam is not in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, though it sits near that province's boundary.

C. Correct: the Diamer-Bhasha Dam is on the River Indus in Diamer district, Gilgit-

D. Wrong: the dam is not in Sindh.

Note: Note: the stem's "bam" is filed as "dam" and option C's "Gilgit-Batistan" as "Gilgit-Baltistan".

Question 18 Everyday Science

Earth's axis at present is titled by:

- A. 23.5 degree ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. 25 degree
- C. 21 degree
- D. 21.5 degree

A. Correct: the Earth's axis is tilted about 23.5 degrees from the perpendicular to its orbit.

B. Wrong: 25 degrees is not the axial tilt.

C. Wrong: 21 degrees is not the axial tilt.

D. Wrong: 21.5 degrees is not the axial tilt.

Note: Note: the stem's "titled" is the reproduction's spelling of "tilted".

Question 19 English

Appreciation is to Reward as Crime is to:

- A. Guilt
- B. Punishment ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Allegation
- D. Need

A. Wrong: guilt is a feeling or state, not what follows a crime the way a reward follows appreciation.

ppreciation earns a reward, and a crime earns punishment — the parallel consequence.

C. Wrong: an allegation is an unproven claim, not the consequence of a crime.

D. Wrong: need has no parallel relationship to crime here.

Question 20 Current Affairs

The 8th BRICS Summit meeting was held in India on 15-16 October 2016, which countries comprise BRICS?

- A. Belgium, Russia, India, Canada, Spain
- B. Bangladesh, Russia, India, China, Sri Lanka
- C. Brazil, Russia, India, China, Scandinavia
- D. Brazil, Russia, India, China, South Africa ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Wrong: Belgium, Canada and Spain are not BRICS members.

B. Wrong: Bangladesh and Sri Lanka are not BRICS members.

C. Wrong: Scandinavia is a region, not a country, and not a BRICS member.

D. Correct: BRICS is Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa.

Question 21 English

What is the meaning of the idiom/proverb "To be at loggerheads"?

- A. To cooperate with enemies
- B. To be in strong disagreement or dispute ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. To face stiff opposition
- D. To tax one's mind and body

A. Wrong: that is the opposite of being at loggerheads.

B. Correct: "at loggerheads" means in sharp disagreement or conflict.

at is close in spirit but not the idiom's meaning; the idiom is about a dispute between the parties themselves.

D. Wrong: that describes straining oneself, not a disagreement.

Note: Note: the stem's "What it the moaning" is filed as "What is the meaning".

Question 22 Computer

Which Power Point feature allows the user to create a simple presentation quickly?

- A. Auto Content Wizard ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Transition Wizard
- C. Chard Wizard
- D. Animations

A. Correct: the AutoContent Wizard builds a ready presentation from a chosen outline and design.

B. Wrong: there is no "Transition Wizard"; transitions are slide effects, not a quick-creation wizard.

C. Wrong: "Chard Wizard" is a misprint of Chart Wizard, which makes charts, not whole presentations.

D. Wrong: animations add movement to objects; they do not create a presentation quickly.

Question 23 Computer

Who Is called the 'Father of Computers'?

- A. Charles Babbage ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Thomas Kurtz
- C. Konrad Zuse
- D. Bill Gates

abbage designed the Analytical Engine, the first general-purpose computer concept.

B. Wrong: Kurtz co-created the BASIC language; he is not the father of computers.

C. Wrong: Zuse built early electromechanical computers, but the title belongs to Babbage.

D. Wrong: Gates co-founded Microsoft; he did not originate the computer.

Question 24 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. Wrong: the judiciary is one of the three organs of the state, not the Fourth Estate.

B. Wrong: the executive is one of the three organs of the state, not the Fourth Estate.

C. Correct: the press/media is traditionally called the Fourth Estate for its watchdog role.

D. Wrong: the Senate is part of the legislature, not the Fourth Estate.

Question 25 Islamiat

Name of the prophet who is known by the title of Israel?

- A. Hazrat Yaqoob (AS) ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Hazrat Yousuf (AS)
- C. Hazrat Ishaaq (AS)
- D. Hazrat Moosa (AS)

A. Correct: Yaqub (Jacob) is called Israel, and his descendants are the Bani Israel.

Israel was the son of Yaqub, not the one titled Israel.

C. Wrong: Ishaq was the father of Yaqub, not the one titled Israel.

D. Wrong: Musa came much later and led the Bani Israel; he is not titled Israel.

Question 26 General Knowledge

The headquarters of the European Union is at:

- A. Vienna
- B. Brussels ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Paris
- D. Amsterdam

A. Wrong: Vienna is Austria's capital and hosts other bodies, not the EU headquarters.

B. Correct: the European Commission and Council are seated in Brussels, Belgium.

C. Wrong: Paris hosts some EU bodies, but the EU headquarters is Brussels.

D. Wrong: Amsterdam is the Netherlands' capital, not the EU headquarters.

Note: Note: the reproduction prints "Pahs"; the filed option carries "Paris".

Question 27 General Knowledge

Headquarter of Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific is located in:

- A. Manila
- B. Singapore
- C. Bangkok ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Yangon

A. Wrong: Manila hosts the Asian Development Bank, not ESCAP.

B. Wrong: Singapore hosts other regional offices, not ESCAP.

The UN Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) is headquartered in Bangkok, Thailand.

D. Wrong: Yangon is Myanmar's former capital, not the seat of ESCAP.

Question 28 General Knowledge

Which UN agency deals with matters relating to children?

- A. UNESCO
- B. UNICEF ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. UNHCR
- D. UNCTAD

A. Wrong: UNESCO deals with education, science and culture, not children specifically.

B. Correct: the United Nations Children's Fund works for children's welfare, health and education.

C. Wrong: UNHCR is the refugee agency, not the children's agency.

D. Wrong: UNCTAD deals with trade and development, not children.

Question 29 Everyday Science

The element which is most abundant in the Earth's crust is:

- A. Silicon
- B. Iron
- C. Aluminium
- D. Oxygen ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Wrong: silicon is the second most abundant element in the crust, about 28%.

B. Wrong: iron is about 5% of the crust, far behind oxygen.

C. Wrong: aluminium is about 8% of the crust, the most abundant metal, but not the most

D. Correct: oxygen makes up about 46–47% of the Earth's crust by weight, the most abundant element.

Question 30 General Knowledge

Rann of Kutch is situated:

- A. North of Gilgit
- B. South of Tharparkar ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. East of Turbat
- D. South of Wana

A. Wrong: Gilgit is far north in Pakistan; the Rann of Kutch is in the south.

B. Correct: the Rann of Kutch lies to the south of Tharparkar district in Sindh.

C. Wrong: Turbat is in Balochistan, west of the Rann, not the other way round.

D. Wrong: Wana is in South Waziristan, far from the Rann of Kutch.

Note: Note: the reproduction prints "EastofTurbat"; the filed option carries "East of Turbat".

Question 31 Mathematics

3.29 x 1000 equals to:

- A. 0.329
- B. 32.9
- C. 329
- D. 3290 ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Wrong: that is 3.29 divided by 10, not multiplied by 1000.

B. Wrong: that is 3.29 multiplied by 10, not by 1000.

at is 3.29 multiplied by 100, not by 1000.

D. Correct: 3.29 × 1000 = 3290.

Question 32 English

The Synonym of "Conjecture" is:

- A. Serious
- B. Outward
- C. To guess ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. To claim

A. Wrong: serious means solemn or grave, not a guess.

B. Wrong: outward means external or visible, not a guess.

C. Correct: a conjecture is an opinion or conclusion formed on incomplete information — a guess.

D. Wrong: to claim is to assert something as true, not to guess at it.

Question 33 Pakistan Studies

The caste system in the subcontinent, was first established by the:

- A. Aryans ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Dravidians
- C. Iranians
- D. Moghuls

A. Correct: the caste system developed with the Aryan settlement of the subcontinent and the varna order.

B. Wrong: the Dravidians were the earlier inhabitants; the caste order is traced to the Aryans.

e Iranians did not establish the subcontinent's caste system.

D. Wrong: the Mughals came many centuries later and did not establish the caste system.

Question 34 Islamiat

Ayat ul Kursi is part of which Surah?

- A. Al-e-imran
- B. Al-Baqarah ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Al-Anfal
- D. Al-Nissa

A. Wrong: Aal-e-Imran is the third Surah; Ayat-ul-Kursi is not in it.

B. Correct: Ayat-ul-Kursi is verse 255 of Surah Al-Baqarah.

C. Wrong: Al-Anfal is the eighth Surah; Ayat-ul-Kursi is not in it.

D. Wrong: An-Nisa is the fourth Surah; Ayat-ul-Kursi is not in it.

Question 35 English

Fill in the blanks: Salma was ill, fever.

- A. of
- B. to
- C. with ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. on

A. Wrong: "ill of fever" is not English.

B. Wrong: "ill to fever" is not English.

C. Correct: "ill with fever" is the idiomatic phrase for suffering from a fever.

D. Wrong: "ill on fever" is not English.

36 Mathematics

$(2^2)^3 = ?$

- A. 64 ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. 32
- C. 10
- D. 12

A. Correct: $(2^2)^3 = 2^6 = 64$.

B. Wrong: 32 is 2^5, not 2^6.

C. Wrong: 10 has no connection to the powers of 2 here.

D. Wrong: 12 is $2^2 \times 3$, not $(2^2)^3$.

Note: Note: the reproduction prints "(2 2)3"; the filed stem carries the powers as $(2^2)^3$.

Question 37 General Knowledge

Which one of the following countries is not a member of OPEC (Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries)?

- A. Algeria
- B. Nigeria
- C. Venezuela
- D. UK ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Wrong: Algeria is an OPEC member.

B. Wrong: Nigeria is an OPEC member.

C. Wrong: Venezuela is a founding OPEC member.

D. Correct: the United Kingdom is not an OPEC member.

38 Mathematics

Find the odd one out: 13, 41, 43, 47, 53, 61, 71, 73, 81

- A. 61
- B. 71
- C. 73
- D. 81 ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Wrong: 61 is a prime number, like all the others except 81.

B. Wrong: 71 is a prime number, like all the others except 81.

C. Wrong: 73 is a prime number, like all the others except 81.

D. Correct: 81 is 9 × 9, a composite number, while every other number in the list is prime.

Question 39 General Knowledge

Who had coined the phrase "Survival of the fittest"?

- A. Charles Darwin
- B. Herbert Spencer ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Alfred Wallace
- D. Erasmus Darwin

A. Wrong: Darwin adopted the phrase in later editions of Origin of Species, but he did not coin it; the printed key (A) is rejected.

B. Correct: Herbert Spencer coined "survival of the fittest" in 1864, in Principles of Biology.

C. Wrong: Wallace co-discovered natural selection with Darwin but did not coin the phrase.

D. Wrong: Erasmus Darwin, Charles's grandfather, wrote on evolution but did not coin the phrase.

the printed key (A, Darwin) is rejected; the phrase was coined by Herbert Spencer.

Question 40 Islamiat

What is the meaning of Al Hadi mentioned in the Holy Quran?

- A. The Light
- B. The Eternal
- C. The Rich
- D. The Guide ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Wrong: "The Light" is An-Nur, a different name of Allah.

B. Wrong: "The Eternal" is As-Samad, a different name of Allah.

C. Wrong: "The Rich" is Al-Ghani, a different name of Allah.

D. Correct: Al-Hadi means "The Guide", the one who guides to the right path.

Question 41 English

I was angry ___ the way they reacted.

- A. about ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. of
- C. in
- D. on

A. Correct: "angry about" is the idiomatic preposition for the cause of anger.

B. Wrong: "angry of" is not English.

C. Wrong: "angry in the way" is not English.

D. Wrong: "angry on the way" is not English.

the reproduction prints the sentence without the blank; the blank is restored after "angry".

Question 42 Mathematics

One metric ton contains ___ kilograms.

- A. 10,000
- B. 100
- C. 10
- D. 1000 ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Wrong: 10,000 kg is 10 metric tons, not one.

B. Wrong: 100 kg is one quintal, not one metric ton.

C. Wrong: 10 kg is far less than a metric ton.

D. Correct: one metric ton equals 1,000 kilograms.

Question 43 General Knowledge

Where do the Indian Ocean and Atlantic Ocean meet?

- A. Cape of Good Hope ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Aden
- C. Singapore
- D. Nowhere

A. Correct: the Indian and Atlantic Oceans meet off the Cape of Good Hope, at Africa's southern tip.

B. Wrong: Aden is on the Arabian Sea / Gulf of Aden, where the Indian Ocean meets the Red Sea, not the Atlantic.

C. Wrong: Singapore is where the Indian Ocean meets the Pacific, not the Atlantic.

e two oceans do meet, at the Cape of Good Hope.

Note: Note: the reproduction prints "Singaporo"; the filed option carries "Singapore".

Question 44 English

There has been a complete ___ of law and order in the country.

- A. up
- B. off
- C. down ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. of

A. Wrong: "breakup of law and order" is not the set phrase.

B. Wrong: "breakoff" is not the word for a collapse of order.

C. Correct: the set phrase is "breakdown of law and order".

D. Wrong: "break of law and order" is not the set phrase.

Note: Note: the reproduction prints "bread" for "break"; the filed stem carries "break".

Question 45 Pakistan Studies

A Senator is elected in Pakistan for:

- A. 4 years
- B. 5 years
- C. 6 years ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. 7 years

A. Wrong: 4 years is not the Senate term.

B. Wrong: 5 years is the National Assembly's term, not the Senate's.

C. Correct: a Senator in Pakistan is elected for a six-year term (with half the Senate retiring

D. Wrong: 7 years is not the Senate term.

Question 46 Pakistan Studies

The British Government announced the annulment of Partition of Bengal in:

- A. 1910
- B. 1911 ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. 1912
- D. 1926

A. Wrong: the annulment was announced in 1911, not 1910.

B. Correct: the Partition of Bengal was annulled in 1911, announced at the Delhi Durbar by King George V.

C. Wrong: the annulment was announced in 1911, not 1912.

D. Wrong: 1926 has no connection to the Bengal partition.

Question 47 Islamiat

Pick out the name of the prayer which is preceded by Azaan?

- A. Namaz-e-Janaza
- B. Eid ul Fitr
- C. Eid ul Azha
- D. Zuhar Prayer ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Wrong: the funeral prayer has no Azaan before it.

B. Wrong: the Eid-ul-Fitr prayer has no Azaan before it.

C. Wrong: the Eid-ul-Azha prayer has no Azaan before it.

uhr is one of the five daily prayers, each preceded by Azaan.

Note: Note: the reproduction prints "Namaz iJanaza", "EidulFitr", "EidulAzha" and "Zuhar"; the filed options carry the standard spellings "Namaz-e-Janaza", "Eid ul Fitr", "Eid ul Azha" and "Zuhar Prayer".

Question 48 English

Choose the synonym of "Nonchalant":

- A. Excited
- B. Natural
- C. Dispassionate ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Nervous

A. Wrong: excited is the opposite of nonchalant, which means calm and unconcerned.

B. Wrong: natural describes what is unforced, not the calm indifference of nonchalant.

C. Correct: dispassionate means calm and unemotional, the closest synonym of nonchalant.

D. Wrong: nervous is the opposite of nonchalant.

Question 49 Mathematics

"A" sold a pen for Rs. 180. This was Rs. 60 less than what "A" paid for it. What was A's loss as a percentage of his cost price?

- A. 25% ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. 33 1/3%
- C. 50%
- D. 75%

A. Correct: cost price = 180 + 60 = Rs. 240; loss = 60; 60/240 = 25%.

at would be a loss of Rs. 80 on Rs. 240, not Rs. 60.

C. Wrong: that would be a loss of Rs. 120 on Rs. 240, not Rs. 60.

D. Wrong: that would be a loss of Rs. 180 on Rs. 240, not Rs. 60.

Note: Note: the reproduction mis-numbers this question "46"; it is filed as Q49 by position. The PACE reproduction prints the Gulf options for this question (a PACE typesetting error); the Atif Pedia options are filed.

Question 50 General Knowledge

Which is the largest gulf of the world?

- A. Gulf of Mexico ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Gulf of Aden
- C. Gulf of Riga
- D. Gulf of Thailand

A. Correct: the Gulf of Mexico is the world's largest gulf by area.

B. Wrong: the Gulf of Aden is far smaller than the Gulf of Mexico.

C. Wrong: the Gulf of Riga is a small gulf in the Baltic Sea.

D. Wrong: the Gulf of Thailand is far smaller than the Gulf of Mexico.

Note: Note: the trailing "[ads-post]" junk is dropped from option D.

Question 51 Pakistan Studies

What is the significance of 17 August 1988 in Pakistan's history?

- A. Prime Minister Junejo's Government was dismissed
- B. Gen. Zia ul Haq died in a plane crash ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. No confidence motion against prime Minister Benazir Bhutto was moved
- D. Parliament was dissolved by General Zia-ul-Haq

nejo's government was dismissed on 29 May 1988, not 17 August.

B. Correct: General Zia-ul-Haq died in the Bahawalpur air crash on 17 August 1988.

C. Wrong: the no-confidence motion against Benazir Bhutto was moved in November 1989.

D. Wrong: Zia dissolved the assemblies in May 1988, not on 17 August.

Note: Note: the reproduction prints "Jumejo's"; the filed option carries "Junejo's".

Question 52 General Knowledge

Which of the following is not a main organ of the United Nations?

- A. ILO ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Security Council
- C. General Assembly
- D. International Court of Justice

A. Correct: the International Labour Organization is a specialised agency of the UN, not one of its six principal organs.

B. Wrong: the Security Council is one of the six principal organs of the UN.

C. Wrong: the General Assembly is one of the six principal organs of the UN.

D. Wrong: the International Court of Justice is one of the six principal organs of the UN.

Question 53 Everyday Science

The world's biggest bird is:

- A. Eagle
- B. Owl
- C. Kiwi
- D. Ostrich ✓ **Correct answer**

...gles are large raptors but far smaller than the ostrich.

B. Wrong: owls are much smaller than the ostrich.

C. Wrong: the kiwi is a small flightless bird, much smaller than the ostrich.

D. Correct: the ostrich is the world's largest living bird.

Question 54 General Knowledge

Who among the following died a natural death?

- A. Mahatma Gandhi
- B. Indira Gandhi
- C. Sanjay Gandhi
- D. None of these ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Wrong: Gandhi was assassinated in 1948.

B. Wrong: Indira Gandhi was assassinated in 1984.

C. Wrong: Sanjay Gandhi died in a plane crash in 1980.

D. Correct: none of the three died a natural death.

Question 55 Pakistan Studies

Liaqat Ali Khan was assassinated in:

- A. 1949
- B. 1950
- C. 1951 ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. 1952

A. Wrong: Liaquat Ali Khan was assassinated in 1951, not 1949.

B. Wrong: Liaquat Ali Khan was assassinated in 1951, not 1950.

aquat Ali Khan, Pakistan's first Prime Minister, was assassinated on 16 October 1951 in Rawalpindi.

D. Wrong: Liaquat Ali Khan was assassinated in 1951, not 1952.

Question 56 Islamiat

Holy Prophet Mohammad (PBUH) named as "Ahmed", in which Surah of Holy Quran?

- A. Surah Al-Saff ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Surah Al-Mohammad
- C. Surah Al-Anbia
- D. Surah Al-Baqarah

A. Correct: in Surah As-Saff (61:6), Isa (AS) gives glad tidings of a messenger to come named Ahmad.

B. Wrong: Surah Muhammad does not carry the name Ahmad for the Prophet (PBUH).

C. Wrong: Surah Al-Anbiya does not carry the name Ahmad for the Prophet (PBUH).

D. Wrong: Surah Al-Baqarah does not carry the name Ahmad for the Prophet (PBUH).

Question 57 Pakistan Studies

Which of the following was constructed by Emperor Shah Jahan?

- A. Shalimar Garden ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Badshahi Mosque
- C. Both A and B
- D. None of these

A. Correct: the Shalimar Gardens in Lahore were built by Shah Jahan in 1641–42.

B. Wrong: the Badshahi Mosque in Lahore was built by Aurangzeb, not Shah Jahan.

C. Wrong: only the Shalimar Garden is Shah Jahan's, the Badshahi Mosque is Aurangzeb's.

e Shalimar Garden was constructed by Shah Jahan.

Question 58 English

Complete the saying "Truth is stranger than ___":

- A. The news
- B. Falsehood
- C. Lies
- D. Fiction ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Wrong: the saying is "truth is stranger than fiction", not "than the news".

B. Wrong: "stranger than falsehood" is not the saying.

C. Wrong: "stranger than lies" is not the saying.

D. Correct: the proverb, from Byron, is "Truth is stranger than fiction".

Note: Note: the reproduction prints the stem without the closing words; the blank is restored.

Question 59 Computer

Which of the following helps to reduce spelling errors in a document being typed?

- A. Auto Format
- B. Auto Correct ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Smart Tags
- D. Auto Text

A. Wrong: AutoFormat changes the layout and formatting of a document, not spelling.

B. Correct: AutoCorrect fixes common spelling and typing errors automatically as you type.

C. Wrong: Smart Tags add actions to recognised text; they do not correct spelling.

utoText inserts stored blocks of text; it does not correct spelling.

Question 60 Mathematics

A man bought 27 apples, 2/9 of them are bad. How many are good?

- A. 8
- B. 21 ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. 27
- D. 18

A. Wrong: 8 is not 27 minus the bad apples.

B. Correct: 2/9 of 27 is 6 bad apples, so 27 − 6 = 21 are good.

C. Wrong: 27 is the total bought, before removing the bad ones.

D. Wrong: 18 would be the answer if 1/3 were bad, not 2/9.

Note: Note: the reproduction prints "2/6"; the stem is filed as "2/9" (PACE confirms 2/9, and 2/9 of 27 is 6, leaving 21 good).

Question 61 General Knowledge

Presidency of the UN Security Council rotates among the Member States of the Council:

- A. Every 6 months
- B. Every 3 months
- C. Every year
- D. Every month ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Wrong: the presidency does not rotate every six months.

B. Wrong: the presidency does not rotate every three months.

C. Wrong: the presidency does not rotate once a year.

he presidency of the UN Security Council rotates every month, in English alphabetical order of member names.

Note: Note: filed option A is repaired from the garbled "(At Every 6 months" in the reproduction.

Question 62 Pakistan Studies

Who resigned from the Imperial Legislative Council in protest against the Rowlatt Act?

- A. Gandhi
- B. Nehru
- C. Quaid-i-Azam ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Sir Syed Ahmed Khan

A. Wrong: Gandhi led the Rowlatt Satyagraha but did not resign from the Imperial Legislative Council over it.

B. Wrong: Nehru was not a member of the Imperial Legislative Council at the time.

C. Correct: Muhammad Ali Jinnah resigned from the Imperial Legislative Council in 1919 in protest against the Rowlatt Act.

D. Wrong: Sir Syed died in 1898, two decades before the Rowlatt Act.

Note: Note: the reproduction prints "Rowlett"; the filed stem carries "Rowlatt".

Question 63 Everyday Science

Short-sightedness can be corrected by:

- A. Convex lens
- B. Concave lens ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Convex-concave lens
- D. Concave-convex lens

convex lens corrects long-sightedness, not short-sightedness.

B. Correct: a concave (diverging) lens spreads the light so the image falls on the retina in a short-sighted eye.

C. Wrong: that is a meniscus lens, not the standard correction for myopia.

D. Wrong: that is also a meniscus form, not the standard correction for myopia.

Question 64 Current Affairs

Who is the current President of France?

- A. Nicolas Sarkozy
- B. Emmanuel Macron ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Jacques Chirac
- D. Georeges Pompidou

A. Wrong: Sarkozy was President 2007–2012, not at the exam date.

B. Correct: Macron became President of France in May 2017, before this July 2017 paper.

C. Wrong: Chirac was President 1995–2007, not at the exam date.

D. Wrong: Pompidou was President 1969–1974, not at the exam date.

Note: Note: the reproduction prints "Georeges"; the filed option carries "Georges".

Question 65 Pakistan Studies

The cultural centre of Gandhara Civilization is:

- A. Harappa
- B. Taxila ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Thatta
- D. Mohenjo Daro

arappa is a centre of the Indus Valley Civilization, not Gandhara.

B. Correct: Taxila was the great cultural and learning centre of the Gandhara civilization.

C. Wrong: Thatta is a historic town in Sindh, not the Gandhara centre.

D. Wrong: Mohenjo Daro is an Indus Valley city, not the Gandhara centre.

Note: Note: the stem's "Ganjlhara" is filed as "Gandhara" and "Harrapa" as "Harappa".

Question 66 General Knowledge

Which of the followings is not related to disarmament?

- A. SALT
- B. NPT
- C. CTBT
- D. NATO ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Wrong: SALT (Strategic Arms Limitation Talks) is directly about disarmament.

B. Wrong: the Non-Proliferation Treaty is directly about disarmament.

C. Wrong: the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty is directly about disarmament.

D. Correct: NATO is a military alliance, not a disarmament treaty or process.

Question 67 Current Affairs

Name the first Pakistani female Cricketer to take 100 ODI wickets:

- A. Sana Mir ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Javeria Khan
- C. Marina Iqbal
- D. Sadia Yousaf

A. Correct: Sana Mir was the first Pakistani woman to take 100 ODI wickets.

Javeria Khan is a batter, not the first to 100 ODI wickets.

C. Wrong: Marina Iqbal did not reach 100 ODI wickets first.

D. Wrong: Sadia Yousaf did not reach 100 ODI wickets first.

Question 68 Pakistan Studies

After the creation of Pakistan, the first Radio Station was established at:

- A. Lahore
- B. Karachi ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Peshawar
- D. Islamabad

A. Wrong: Lahore's station came later; the first station after creation was Karachi.

B. Correct: Radio Pakistan's first station began broadcasting from Karachi on 14 August 1947.

C. Wrong: Peshawar's station came later.

D. Wrong: Islamabad did not exist as the capital in 1947.

Question 69 English

Antonym of "Economy" is:

- A. Gratitude
- B. Thrift
- C. Miserliness
- D. Extravagance ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Wrong: gratitude means thankfulness, not the opposite of economy.

B. Wrong: thrift is a synonym of economy, not its antonym.

wiseriness is a near-synonym of economy in the sense of saving, not its opposite.

D. Correct: extravagance means wasteful spending, the opposite of economy.

Question 70 General Knowledge

The Muslims of Mindanao islands are struggling for their political rights in:

- A. Japan
- B. South Africa
- C. Philippines ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Myanmar

A. Wrong: Mindanao is not in Japan.

B. Wrong: Mindanao is not in South Africa.

C. Correct: Mindanao is the large southern island of the Philippines, where Muslim groups have sought autonomy.

D. Wrong: Mindanao is not in Myanmar; Myanmar's Muslim issue concerns the Rohingya.

Question 71 English

Choose the synonyms of "Cataclysm"?

- A. Reverse
- B. Catastrophe ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Pungent
- D. Trash

A. Wrong: reverse means the opposite direction, not a disaster.

B. Correct: a cataclysm is a violent upheaval or disaster — a catastrophe.

C. Wrong: pungent describes a sharp smell or taste, not a disaster.

ash means rubbish, not a disaster.

Question 72 Pakistan Studies

What is Pakistan's biggest export commodity?

- A. Textiles ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Handmade Carpets
- C. Leather and Leather Products
- D. Sports Goods

A. Correct: textiles (cotton yarn, cloth and garments) are Pakistan's largest export earner.

B. Wrong: carpets are an export but far smaller than textiles.

C. Wrong: leather is an export but far smaller than textiles.

D. Wrong: sports goods (notably from Sialkot) are an export but far smaller than textiles.

Question 73 Pakistan Studies

Which country was the first to formally recognize Pakistan after its creation?

- A. Saudi Arabia
- B. Turkey
- C. Iran ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Egypt

A. Wrong: Saudi Arabia recognised Pakistan early but was not the first.

B. Wrong: Turkey recognised Pakistan early but was not the first.

C. Correct: Iran was the first country to recognise Pakistan, on 14 August 1947.

D. Wrong: Egypt recognised Pakistan later, not first.

74 Pakistan Studies

Who wrote the book "The Myth of Independence"?

- A. General Ayub Khan
- B. Mahbub-ul-Haque
- C. Zulfikar Ali Bhutto ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Lt. Gen (r) Kamal Matinuddin

A. Wrong: Ayub Khan wrote "Friends Not Masters", not The Myth of Independence.

B. Wrong: Mahbub-ul-Haq wrote on economics and human development, not this book.

C. Correct: The Myth of Independence (1969) was written by Zulfikar Ali Bhutto.

D. Wrong: Kamal Matinuddin wrote on military matters, not this book.

Note: Note: the reproduction prints "Zulfikar All Bhutto" and "Mahbub-uf-Haque"; the filed options carry "Zulfikar Ali Bhutto" and "Mahbub-ul-Haque".

Question 75 Pakistan Studies

Which country mediated between Pakistan and India resulting in the Tashkent Declaration?

- A. USSR ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Uzbekistan
- C. USA
- D. Iran

A. Correct: the Soviet Union mediated the Tashkent Declaration of January 1966 between Pakistan and India.

B. Wrong: Tashkent is in Uzbekistan, but the mediator was the USSR, not Uzbekistan.

C. Wrong: the United States did not mediate the Tashkent Declaration.

an did not mediate the Tashkent Declaration.

Question 76 Pakistan Studies

Who was entrusted with the job of dividing the Army in 1947?

- A. Field Marshal Auchinleck ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Field Marshal Montgomery
- C. Field Marshal Alan Brooke
- D. Field Marshal John Dill

A. Correct: Field Marshal Sir Claude Auchinleck, Commander-in-Chief in India, was entrusted with dividing the armed forces between India and Pakistan in 1947.

B. Wrong: Montgomery commanded in Europe and later served in Britain; he did not divide the Indian Army.

C. Wrong: Alan Brooke was Chief of the Imperial General Staff in London, not the divider of the Indian Army.

D. Wrong: John Dill died in 1944, before Partition.

Question 77 Pakistan Studies

On what date did the major earthquake hit the Northern Areas and Azad Kashmir in 2005?

- A. 8th, October ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. 8th, September
- C. 8th, August
- D. 18th, October

A. Correct: the Kashmir earthquake struck on 8 October 2005.

B. Wrong: the earthquake was on 8 October, not 8 September.

e earthquake was on 8 October, not 8 August.

D. Wrong: the earthquake was on 8 October, not 18 October.

Question 78 General Knowledge

Which one of the following countries left the 'Baghdad Pact' in 1959?

- A. Iran
- B. Iraq ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Pakistan
- D. Turkey

A. Wrong: Iran stayed in the pact (later CENTO) after 1959.

B. Correct: Iraq withdrew from the Baghdad Pact in 1959 after the 1958 revolution, and the pact became CENTO.

C. Wrong: Pakistan stayed in the pact after 1959.

D. Wrong: Turkey stayed in the pact after 1959.

Question 79 English

What is the meaning of the idiom/proverb: "To talk through one's hat".

- A. To speak fluently
- B. To talk nonsense ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. To talk wisdom
- D. To speak at random

A. Wrong: fluency is smooth speech, not the idiom's meaning.

B. Correct: "to talk through one's hat" means to talk nonsense, about things one does not understand.

C. Wrong: that is the opposite of the idiom's meaning.

peaking at random is aimless speech, not specifically the nonsense the idiom describes.

Question 80 General Knowledge

Mount Kilimanjaro is located in:

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

A. Wrong: Kilimanjaro is not in Europe.

B. Wrong: Kilimanjaro is not in Asia.

C. Wrong: Kilimanjaro is not in South America.

D. Correct: Mount Kilimanjaro, Africa's highest peak, is in Tanzania.

Question 81 Pakistan Studies

When was Sui Gas first discovered in Pakistan?

- A. 1959
- B. 1952 ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. 1981
- D. 1990

A. Wrong: gas was discovered at Sui in 1952, not 1959.

B. Correct: natural gas was first discovered at Sui in Balochistan in 1952.

C. Wrong: gas was discovered at Sui in 1952, not 1981.

D. Wrong: gas was discovered at Sui in 1952, not 1990.

82 Current Affairs

The 2016 ICC T-20 Cricket World Championship was won by:

- A. India
- B. West Indies ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Australia
- D. New Zealand

A. Wrong: India hosted the 2016 T20 World Cup but lost in the semi-final.

B. Correct: the West Indies beat England in the final at Kolkata to win the 2016 ICC World T20.

C. Wrong: Australia did not win the 2016 T20 World Cup.

D. Wrong: New Zealand lost in the semi-final of the 2016 T20 World Cup.

Note: Note: the stem's "Teh 2016" is filed as "The 2016".

Question 83 Computer

In the field of IT, FTP stands for:

- A. File Transfer Position
- B. File Transfer Protection
- C. File Transfer Protocol ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. File Transfer Platform

A. Wrong: there is no such expansion; FTP is a protocol.

B. Wrong: there is no such expansion; FTP is a protocol.

C. Correct: FTP stands for File Transfer Protocol, the standard for transferring files over a network.

D. Wrong: there is no such expansion; FTP is a protocol.

84 Everyday Science

Penicillin was discovered by:

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

A. Wrong: Nobel invented dynamite and founded the Nobel Prizes; he did not discover penicillin.

B. Correct: Alexander Fleming discovered penicillin in 1928.

C. Wrong: Pasteur founded microbiology and pasteurisation; he did not discover penicillin.

D. Wrong: Waksman discovered streptomycin, not penicillin.

Question 85 General Knowledge

The Headquarters of the World Trade Organization (WTO) is located in:

- A. Paris
- B. Washington
- C. Brussels
- D. Geneva ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Wrong: Paris hosts UNESCO and the OECD, not the WTO.

B. Wrong: Washington hosts the World Bank and IMF, not the WTO.

C. Wrong: Brussels hosts the EU institutions, not the WTO.

D. Correct: the World Trade Organization is headquartered in Geneva, Switzerland.

86 English

What is the meaning of the idiom/proverb: "To take with a grain of salt".

- A. To take with some reservation ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. To Reject
- C. To take whole heartedly
- D. To take seriously

A. Correct: "to take something with a grain of salt" means to not take it literally, but with scepticism.

B. Wrong: the idiom means cautious acceptance, not outright rejection.

C. Wrong: that is the opposite of the idiom's meaning.

D. Wrong: the idiom advises against taking the thing fully seriously.

Note: Note: the trailing asterisk on the stem and "heartediy" in option C are filed as "heartedly".

Question 87 General Knowledge

Rafael Nadal is a famous player of:

- A. Football
- B. Tennis ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Table Tennis
- D. Hockey

A. Wrong: Nadal is not a footballer.

B. Correct: Rafael Nadal is one of tennis's greatest players.

C. Wrong: Nadal plays lawn tennis, not table tennis.

D. Wrong: Nadal is not a hockey player.

88 Mathematics

Find the odd one out: 10, 25, 45, 54, 60, 75, 80

- A. 10
- B. 45
- C. 54 ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. 75

A. Wrong: 10 is divisible by 5, like all the others except 54.

B. Wrong: 45 is divisible by 5, like all the others except 54.

C. Correct: 54 is the only number in the list not divisible by 5.

D. Wrong: 75 is divisible by 5, like all the others except 54.

Question 89 Pakistan Studies

Who held the portfolio of Finance in the first cabinet of Pakistan?

- A. I.I. Chundrigarh
- B. Sardar Abdur Rab Nishtar
- C. Malik Ghulam Muhammad ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Zafarullah Khan

A. Wrong: Chundrigarh held other portfolios and later became Prime Minister; he was not the first Finance Minister.

B. Wrong: Nishtar held the Communications portfolio in the first cabinet, not Finance.

C. Correct: Malik Ghulam Muhammad was Finance Minister in Pakistan's first cabinet (1947).

D. Wrong: Zafarullah Khan was Foreign Minister in the first cabinet, not Finance Minister; the printed key (D) is rejected.

the printed key (D, Zafarullah Khan) is rejected; the first Finance Minister was Malik Ghulam Muhammad.

Question 90 Islamiat

Which year is called the year of sorrow (Aam-ul-Huzn)?

- A. 7th Nabvi
- B. 8th Nabvi
- C. 9th Nabvi
- D. 10th Nabvi ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Wrong: the Year of Sorrow was the 10th year of Prophethood, not the 7th.

B. Wrong: the Year of Sorrow was the 10th year of Prophethood, not the 8th.

C. Wrong: the Year of Sorrow was the 10th year of Prophethood, not the 9th.

D. Correct: Aam-ul-Huzn, the year in which Abu Talib and Khadijah (RA) died, was the 10th year of Prophethood.

Note: Note: filed option D is cleaned of trailing page-footer text ("Tags PPSC Past Papers...").

Question 91 Urdu

فتح کا مترادف ہے:

Correct answer ✓ ظفر .A•

شکست .B•

سرور .C•

اقبال .D•

A. Correct: ظفر means victory, the synonym of فتح.

efeat, the opposite of شکست **B.** Wrong

.means joy, not victory سرور **C.** Wrong:

.means good fortune, not victory اقبال **D.** Wrong:

Question 92 Urdu

رئیس الاحرار کس شاعر کو کہا جاتا ہے؟

A. حسرت موہانی•

Correct answer ✓ B. مولانا محمد علی جوہر•

C. اصغر گونڈوی•

D. جگر مراد آبادی•

رئیس **A.** Wrong: Hasrat Mohani is known for the ghazal and for "Inquilab Zindabad", not as
.الاحرار

.(leader of the free) رئیس الاحرار **B.** Correct: Maulana Muhammad Ali Jauhar is titled

.رئیس الاحرار **C.** Wrong: Asghar Gondvi is known for his ghazals, not as

.رئیس الاحرار **D.** Wrong: Jigar Moradabadi is known for his ghazals, not as

."اصغر گونڈوی" the filed option carries ;"اصغر گونڈی" **Note:** Note: the reproduction prints

Question 93 Urdu

مشہور کتاب "تزک بابری" کا تعلق ادب کی کس صنف سے ہے؟

A. سفر نامہ•

B. ناول•

Correct answer ✓ C. آب بیتی

D. ڈرامہ

A. Wrong: a سفر نامہ is a travel account; the Tuzk-e-Babri is not one.

B. Wrong: a ناول is a novel; the Tuzk-e-Babri is not fiction.

C. Correct: the Tuzk-e-Babri (Baburnama) is Babur's autobiography — an آب بیتی.

D. Wrong: a ڈرامہ is a play; the Tuzk-e-Babri is not one.

Question 94 Urdu

علامہ اقبال کی اردو شاعری کا ماحصل ان کی کس نظم کو کہا جاتا ہے؟

A. تصویر درد

Correct answer ✓ B. ساقی نامہ

C. طلوع اسلام

D. شمع اور شاعر

A. Wrong: تصویر درد is an early poem of Iqbal, not the one called the essence of his Urdu poetry.

B. Correct: Saqi Nama is regarded as the essence (ماحصل) of Iqbal's Urdu poetry and message.

C. Wrong: طلوع اسلام is a famous poem, but not the one called the essence of his Urdu poetry.

D. Wrong: شمع اور شاعر is a well-known poem, but not the one called the essence of his Urdu poetry.

n carries the "کاردو شاعری کا ماحاصل" **Note:** Note: the reproduction prints .standard wording

Question 95 Urdu

ان میں سے کون سا لفظ ٹھیک ہے؟

A. نراضی

Correct answer ✓ B. ناراضگی

C. نراضگی

D. نا راضی

A. Wrong: نراضی is a misspelling of ناراضگی.

B. Correct: ناراضگی is the correct spelling of the word for displeasure.

C. Wrong: نراضگی is a misspelling of ناراضگی.

D. Wrong: نا راضی is two words and not the correct form; the printed key (D) is rejected.

Note: Note: the printed key (D) is rejected; the correct spelling is ناراضگی, option B.

Question 96 Urdu

بیڑا اٹھانا محاورہ ہے، اس کے معنی کیا ہیں؟

A. شور مچانا

Correct answer ✓ B. مشکل کام کے انجام دینے کا ذمہ لینا

C. چوری کرنا

D. ناک بھوں چڑھانا

A. Wrong: شور مچانا means to make noise, not to take up a task.

B. Correct: بیڑا اٹھانا means to undertake the responsibility of a difficult task.

C. Wrong: چوری کرنا means to steal, not to take up a task.

D. Wrong: ناک بھوں چڑھانا means to show displeasure, not to take up a task.

Note: Note: the reproduction prints "بیٹرا اٹھا نا"; the filed stem carries "بیڑا اٹھانا".

Question 97 Urdu

کون سی ضرب المثل درست ہے؟

- A. نہ دو من تیل ہو گا نہ رادھا ناچے گی
- B. نہ نو من تیل ہو گا نہ رادھا ناچے گی ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. نہ دس من تیل ہو گا نہ رادھا ناچے گی
- D. نہ بارہ من تیل ہو گا نہ رادھا ناچے گی

A. Wrong: the proverb uses نو من, not دو من.

B. Correct: the proverb is "نہ نو من تیل ہو گا نہ رادھا ناچے گی".

C. Wrong: the proverb uses نو من, not دس من.

D. Wrong: the proverb uses نو من, not بارہ من.

Question 98 Urdu

رسالہ تہذیب الاخلاق کس نے جاری کیا؟

- A. انجمن حمایت اسلام

B. الحمر

Correct answer ✓ C. سر سید احمد خان

D. مولانا مودودی

A. Wrong: Anjuman Himayat-e-Islam did not start Tahzeeb-ul-Akhlaq.

B. Wrong: the Anjuman Islamia Amritsar did not start Tahzeeb-ul-Akhlaq.

C. Correct: Sir Syed Ahmad Khan started the journal Tahzeeb-ul-Akhlaq in 1870.

D. Wrong: Maulana Maududi started Tarjuman-ul-Quran, not Tahzeeb-ul-Akhlaq.

Note: Note: the reproduction prints "سر سید احد خان" and "امر تسر"; the filed options carry "سر سید احمد خان" and "امرتسر".

Question 99 Urdu

کون سا شاعر بچوں کا شاعر کہلاتا ہے؟

A. فیض احمد فیض

B. ابن انشا

C. پروین شاکر

Correct answer ✓ D. اسماعیل میرٹھی

A. Wrong: Faiz Ahmad Faiz is known for revolutionary poetry, not as the children's poet.

B. Wrong: Ibn-e-Insha is known for humour and travel writing, not as the children's poet.

C. Wrong: Parveen Shakir is known for her ghazals, not as the children's poet.

D. Correct: Ismail Merathi is known as the children's poet (بچوں کا شاعر) of Urdu.

Note: Note: the reproduction prints "فیض احد فیض", "پروین شا کر ق" and "اسما عیل میرٹھی"; the

Question 100 Urdu

ہر چند اردو میں سے سب سے کم سرمایہ چھوڑا ہے مگر کتنا اونچا مقام پایا۔ رشید صدیقی کا جملہ کس کے بارے میں ہے؟

A. شوکت تھانوی

Correct answer ✓ B. پطرس بخاری

C. مرزا فرحت اللہ بیگ

D. ابن انشا

A. Wrong: the remark is not about Shaukat Thanvi.

B. Correct: the remark, on a writer who left little in Urdu yet attained a high place, is about Patras Bukhari.

C. Wrong: the remark is not about Mirza Farhatullah Baig.

D. Wrong: the remark is not about Ibn-e-Insha.

Note: Note: the reproduction prints a garbled stem; the filed stem carries the standard wording. The reproduction prints "تھا نوی" and "بخا ر ی"; the filed options carry "تھانوی" and "بخاری".

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