General Knowledge 3 — 2023 · Solved Past Paper

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Question 1 General Knowledge

The currency of Italy is:

- A. Lira
- B. Pound
- C. Yen
- D. Euro ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Wrong: the lira was Italy's currency until 2002, when the euro replaced it.

e pound is the currency of the United Kingdom, not Italy.

C. Wrong: the yen is the currency of Japan.

D. Correct: Italy adopted the euro (1999 for accounting, euro cash from 2002).

Question 2 General Knowledge

UN Charter was signed in:

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

A. Wrong: the United Nations headquarters is in New York, but the Charter was not signed there.

B. Wrong: Geneva hosts UN offices, but the 1945 signing was not there.

C. Wrong: Paris was not the signing city.

D. Correct: the UN Charter was signed at San Francisco on 26 June 1945.

Question 3 General Knowledge

Amnesty International's headquarters is located in:

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

A. Wrong: New York is not the headquarters city.

B. Correct: Amnesty International's International Secretariat is in London.

Paris is not the headquarters city.

D. Wrong: Geneva is not the headquarters city.

Question 4 General Knowledge

Who wrote "My Experiments with Truth"?

- A. Jawahar Lal Nehru
- B. Rajendra Prasad
- C. Mohandas karamchand Gandhi ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Maulana Abul Kalam Azad

A. Wrong: Nehru wrote 'The Discovery of India' and 'Glimpses of World History', not this book.

B. Wrong: Rajendra Prasad did not write this autobiography.

C. Correct: 'My Experiments with Truth' is the autobiography of Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi.

D. Wrong: Maulana Abul Kalam Azad wrote 'India Wins Freedom'.

Question 5 General Knowledge

Nobel Prize was established in:

- A. 1890
- B. 1895 ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. 1900
- D. 1905

A. Wrong: 1890 is five years too early.

B. Correct: Alfred Nobel's will, which created the prizes, was signed on 27 November 1895; the first prizes were awarded in 1901.

D. Wrong: 1905 is a decade too late.

Question 6 General Knowledge

What is the study of birds called?

- A. Ichthyology
- B. Herpetology
- C. Omithology ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Entomology

A. Wrong: ichthyology is the study of fish.

B. Wrong: herpetology is the study of reptiles and amphibians.

C. Correct: ornithology is the study of birds.

D. Wrong: entomology is the study of insects.

Question 7 General Knowledge

The currency of Australia is:

- A. Australian Dollar ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Pound
- C. Euro
- D. Yen

A. Correct: the Australian dollar is the currency of Australia.

B. Wrong: the pound is the currency of the United Kingdom.

C. Wrong: the euro is the currency of the eurozone, not Australia.

D. Wrong: the yen is the currency of Japan.

8 General Knowledge

The Great Wall of China was primarly built to:

- A. Make a boundary
- B. Serve as a trade route
- C. Defence against invasions ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Showcase art

A. Wrong: the wall did run along a frontier, but marking a boundary was not its purpose.

B. Wrong: it was not built as a trade route.

C. Correct: the Great Wall was built primarily for defence against invasions from the north.

D. Wrong: it was not built to showcase art.

Question 9 General Knowledge

How many total members are there in the United Nations?

- A. 190
- B. 193 ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. 195
- D. 200

A. Wrong: 190 is three short of the total.

B. Correct: the United Nations has 193 member states (South Sudan, admitted 2011, was the 193rd).

C. Wrong: 195 is two too many.

D. Wrong: 200 is too many.

10 General Knowledge

In which year did World War ll end?

- A. 1942
- B. 1944
- C. 1945 ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. 1947

A. Wrong: 1942 is mid-war.

B. Wrong: 1944 is still wartime.

C. Correct: the Second World War ended in 1945 — Germany surrendered in May, Japan in September.

D. Wrong: 1947 is two years after the war ended.

Question 11 General Knowledge

What is the capital of Australia?

- A. Sydney
- B. Melbourme
- C. Canberra ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Adelaide

A. Wrong: Sydney is Australia's largest city, but it is not the capital.

B. Wrong: Melbourne is a major city, but it is not the capital.

C. Correct: Canberra is the capital of Australia.

D. Wrong: Adelaide is a state capital (South Australia), not the national capital.

12 General Knowledge

Who wrote the "Interpretation of Dreams "?

- A. Sigmund Freud ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Carl Jung
- C. Alfred Adler
- D. Ivan Pavlov

A. Correct: Sigmund Freud wrote 'The Interpretation of Dreams' (1900).

B. Wrong: Carl Jung was Freud's pupil and founder of analytical psychology.

C. Wrong: Alfred Adler founded individual psychology.

D. Wrong: Ivan Pavlov is known for classical conditioning in dogs.

Question 13 General Knowledge

The study of earthquakes is known as:

- A. Ecology
- B. Ethnology
- C. Seismology ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Meteorology

A. Wrong: ecology is the study of organisms and their environment.

B. Wrong: ethnology is the study of peoples and cultures.

C. Correct: seismology is the study of earthquakes.

D. Wrong: meteorology is the study of weather and the atmosphere.

Question 14 General Knowledge

Who painted the Mona Lisa?

lo Picasso

- B. Vincent van Gogh
- C. Leonardo da Vinci ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Michelangelo

A. Wrong: Pablo Picasso did not paint the Mona Lisa.

B. Wrong: Vincent van Gogh did not paint it.

C. Correct: Leonardo da Vinci painted the Mona Lisa.

D. Wrong: Michelangelo painted the Sistine Chapel ceiling, not the Mona Lisa.

Question 15 General Knowledge

Who is the author of the "Harry Potter" series?

- A. J. R. R. Tolkien
- B. George R. R. Martin
- C. J. K. Rowling ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Suzanne Collins

A. Wrong: J. R. R. Tolkien wrote 'The Lord of the Rings'.

B. Wrong: George R. R. Martin wrote 'A Song of Ice and Fire'.

C. Correct: J. K. Rowling is the author of the 'Harry Potter' series.

D. Wrong: Suzanne Collins wrote 'The Hunger Games'.

Question 16 General Knowledge

The primary language spoken in Brazil is:

- A. Spanish
- B. Portuguese ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. French

A. Wrong: Spanish is spoken across most of Latin America, but not in Brazil.

B. Correct: Portuguese is the primary (official) language of Brazil.

C. Wrong: French is not Brazil's language.

D. Wrong: English is not Brazil's language.

Question 17 General Knowledge

How many players are there in a standard soccer team?

- A. 9
- B. 10
- C. 11 ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. 12

A. Wrong: 9 is too few.

B. Wrong: 10 is one short.

C. Correct: a standard soccer team fields 11 players.

D. Wrong: 12 is one too many.

Question 18 General Knowledge

Who wrote "Romeo and Juliet"?

- A. Charles Dickens
- B. William Wordsworth
- C. William Shakespeare ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. George Orwell

A. Wrong: Charles Dickens did not write 'Romeo and Juliet'.

illiam Wordsworth did not write it.

C. Correct: William Shakespeare wrote 'Romeo and Juliet'.

D. Wrong: George Orwell did not write it.

Question 19 General Knowledge

Who was the first woman prime minister of India?

- A. Sonia Gandhi
- B. Indira Gandhi ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Pratibha Patil
- D. Sarojini Naidu

A. Wrong: Sonia Gandhi never served as prime minister.

B. Correct: Indira Gandhi was India's first woman prime minister (1966-77 and 1980-84).

C. Wrong: Pratibha Patil was President of India, not prime minister.

D. Wrong: Sarojini Naidu never served as prime minister.

Question 20 General Knowledge

Who wrote "The Old Man and the Same"?

- A. Mark Twain
- B. F. Scott Fitzgerald
- C. Ernest Hemingway ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. John Steinbeck

A. Wrong: Mark Twain did not write this novel.

B. Wrong: F. Scott Fitzgerald did not write it.

C. Correct: Ernest Hemingway wrote 'The Old Man and the Sea' (1952).

hn Steinbeck did not write it.

Question 21 General Knowledge

Who is the Greek god of war?

- A. Hermes
- B. Ares ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Apollo
- D. Dionysus

A. Wrong: Hermes is the messenger god.

B. Correct: Ares is the Greek god of war.

C. Wrong: Apollo is the god of the sun and music.

D. Wrong: Dionysus is the god of wine.

Question 22 General Knowledge

What is the currency of Japan?

- A. Yuan
- B. Won
- C. Ringgit
- D. Yen ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Wrong: the yuan is the currency of China.

B. Wrong: the won is the currency of Korea.

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

D. Correct: the yen is the currency of Japan.

23 General Knowledge

Who composed the four seasons?

- A. Ludwig van Beethoven
- B. Johann Sebastian Bach
- C. Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
- D. Antonio Vivaldi ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Wrong: Beethoven did not compose 'The Four Seasons'.

B. Wrong: Bach did not compose it.

C. Wrong: Mozart did not compose it.

D. Correct: Antonio Vivaldi composed 'The Four Seasons' (1725).

Question 24 General Knowledge

In " The Lion King" who teaches Simba "Hakuna Matata"?

- A. Mufasa
- B. Scar
- C. Timon and pumbaa ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Rafiki

A. Wrong: Mufasa is Simba's father, not the teacher of 'Hakuna Matata'.

B. Wrong: Scar is the villain of the film.

C. Correct: Timon and Pumbaa teach Simba 'Hakuna Matata'.

D. Wrong: Rafiki is the mandrill who presents Simba; he does not teach the phrase.

Question 25 General Knowledge

Who was the first man to walk on the moon?

- B. John Glenn
- C. Neil Armstrong ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Michael Collins

A. Wrong: Buzz Aldrin was the second man to step on the Moon.

B. Wrong: John Glenn was the first American in orbit, not a Moon walker.

C. Correct: Neil Armstrong took the first step on the Moon, 20 July 1969.

D. Wrong: Michael Collins stayed aboard the command module and did not walk on the Moon.

Question 26 General Knowledge

Who was the main protagonist in "Moby-Dick"?

- A. Captain Hook
- B. Captain Ahab
- C. Ishmael ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Queequeg

A. Wrong: Captain Hook is the villain of 'Peter Pan', not a character in 'Moby-Dick'.

B. Not picked: Captain Ahab is the obsessive captain and the novel's central driving figure — some sources (Wikipedia's character list) call him the main protagonist. See the PICK-ONE note.

C. Picked: Ishmael is the narrator ('Call me Ishmael') and is called the novel's protagonist by the standard study guides (LitCharts, StudySmarter).

D. Wrong: Queequeg is the harpooneer who befriends Ishmael, not the protagonist.

27 General Knowledge

What is the main language spoken in Argentina?

- A. Spanish ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Portuguese
- C. French
- D. Italian

A. Correct: Spanish is the main language of Argentina.

B. Wrong: Portuguese is the language of Brazil, not Argentina.

C. Wrong: French is not Argentina's language.

D. Wrong: Italian is not Argentina's main language.

Question 28 General Knowledge

Who wrote the novel "Pride and Prejudice"?

- A. Jane Austen ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Emily Bronte
- C. Charlotte Bronte
- D. Mary Shelley

A. Correct: Jane Austen wrote 'Pride and Prejudice' (1813).

B. Wrong: Emily Bronte wrote 'Wuthering Heights'.

C. Wrong: Charlotte Bronte wrote 'Jane Eyre'.

D. Wrong: Mary Shelley wrote 'Frankenstein'.

Question 29 General Knowledge

What is a word spelling the same backward and forwards?

- B. Simile
- C. Oxymoron
- D. Palindrome ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Wrong: alliteration is the repetition of initial sounds in words.

B. Wrong: a simile is a comparison using 'like' or 'as'.

C. Wrong: an oxymoron joins contradictory terms (e.g. 'deafening silence').

D. Correct: a palindrome reads the same backward and forward (e.g. 'madam', 'racecar').

Question 30 General Knowledge

Which country gifted the state of Liberty to the USA?

- A. France ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. England
- C. Spain
- D. Canada

A. Correct: France gifted the Statue of Liberty to the USA (dedicated 1886).

B. Wrong: England did not gift it.

C. Wrong: Spain did not gift it.

D. Wrong: Canada did not gift it.

Question 31 General Knowledge

In which year nuclear test conducted by India?

- A. 1971
- B. 1974 ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. 1976

A. Wrong: 1971 was the year of the Indo-Pak war, not India's first nuclear test.

B. Correct: India conducted its first nuclear test, 'Smiling Buddha', on 18 May 1974.

C. Wrong: 1976 is two years after the test.

D. Wrong: 1979 is five years after the test.

Question 32 General Knowledge

Who is the all-time top scorer in FIFA World Cup tournaments?

- A. Lionel Messi
- B. Neymar Jr
- C. Cristiano Ronaldo
- D. Miroslav klose ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Wrong: Lionel Messi is not the top scorer in World Cup final tournaments.

B. Wrong: Neymar Jr is not the top scorer.

C. Wrong: Cristiano Ronaldo is the top scorer in men's internationals overall, but not in World Cup finals.

D. Correct: Miroslav Klose of Germany scored 16 World Cup goals, the all-time record in the finals.

Question 33 General Knowledge

What is the art of japanese paper folding called?

- A. Origami ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Kirigami
- C. Ikebana
- D. Manga

rigami is the Japanese art of paper folding.

B. Wrong: kirigami is the art of paper cutting.

C. Wrong: ikebana is the art of flower arranging.

D. Wrong: manga is Japanese comics.

Question 34 General Knowledge

Who is the author of "The Catcher in the Rye"?

- A. F. Scott Fitzgerald
- B. J. D. Salinger ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Ernest Hemingway
- D. John Steinbeck

A. Wrong: F. Scott Fitzgerald wrote 'The Great Gatsby'.

B. Correct: J. D. Salinger wrote 'The Catcher in the Rye' (1951).

C. Wrong: Ernest Hemingway did not write it.

D. Wrong: John Steinbeck did not write it.

Question 35 General Knowledge

In which year did the Titanic sink?

- A. 1911
- B. 1905
- C. 1912 ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. 1915

A. Wrong: 1911 is a year before the sinking.

B. Wrong: 1905 is seven years too early.

he Titanic sank on 15 April 1912.

D. Wrong: 1915 is three years too late.

Question 36 General Knowledge

Epistemology is the branch of philosophy concerned with the theory of:

- A. Education
- B. Learning
- C. Knowledge ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. None of these

A. Wrong: epistemology is not the theory of education.

B. Wrong: it is not the theory of learning.

C. Correct: epistemology is the branch of philosophy concerned with the theory of knowledge.

D. Wrong: option C is correct, so 'None of these' fails.

Question 37 General Knowledge

Cosmology is a study of:

- A. Religion
- B. Universe ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Skin
- D. Stars

A. Wrong: cosmology is not the study of religion.

B. Correct: cosmology is the study of the universe — its origin, structure and evolution.

C. Wrong: the study of skin is dermatology.

e study of stars (astronomy/astrophysics) is part of cosmology, but it is not the definition of the field.

Question 38 General Knowledge

Who is called the pioneer of idealism:

- A. Aristotle
- B. Plato ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Socrates
- D. Alexander

A. Wrong: Aristotle was Plato's pupil, not the pioneer of idealism.

B. Correct: Plato is called the pioneer (founder) of idealism — his theory of Forms is the classic statement of it.

C. Wrong: Socrates was Plato's teacher; his method is questioning, not the system of idealism.

D. Wrong: Alexander (the Great) was Aristotle's pupil, not a philosopher of idealism.

Question 39 General Knowledge

Nelson Mandela belongs to which country:

- A. Brazil
- B. Mongolia
- C. South Africa ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. South America

A. Wrong: Nelson Mandela was not Brazilian.

B. Wrong: he was not Mongolian.

C. Correct: Nelson Mandela belongs to South Africa.

South America is a continent, not a country, and Mandela was not from it.

Question 40 General Knowledge

"Economics is the science of Wealth" was defined by:

- A. Robbin
- B. Adam Smith ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. J. K Mehta
- D. None of these

A. Wrong: Robbins (Lionel Robbins) defined economics as the science of scarcity, not of wealth.

B. Correct: Adam Smith defined economics as the science of wealth ('An Inquiry into the Nature and Causes of the Wealth of Nations', 1776).

C. Wrong: J. K. Mehta did not give this definition.

D. Wrong: option B is correct, so 'None of these' fails.

Question 41 General Knowledge

COVID-19 variant started from which city of China:

- A. Beijing
- B. Shanghai
- C. Wuhan ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Tianjin

A. Wrong: Beijing is not the city where COVID-19 was first identified.

B. Wrong: Shanghai is not that city.

C. Correct: the first COVID-19 cases were identified in Wuhan, China, in December 2019.

D. Wrong: Tianjin is not that city.

42 General Knowledge

The Socratic method is known as:

- A. Discussion method
- B. Lecture Demonstration Method
- C. Inquiry Method
- D. Question Answer Method ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Wrong: discussion is a broader method; the Socratic method specifically proceeds by questions and answers.

B. Wrong: the lecture-demonstration method is a different teaching method.

C. Wrong: the inquiry method is a close cousin, but the standard keyed answer for the Socratic method is the question-answer method.

D. Correct (printed key D): the Socratic method is known as the question-answer method.

Question 43 General Knowledge

According to Human Development index literacy rate of Pakistan in 2023 was:

- A. 60%
- B. 61.5%
- C. 62%
- D. 62.8% ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Wrong: 60% is not the 2023-published figure.

B. Wrong: 61.5% is not the figure.

C. Wrong: 62% is close but not the reported figure.

D. Correct: the Pakistan Economic Survey 2022-23 reported Pakistan's literacy rate as 62.8%.

44 General Knowledge

US entered into World War ll due to :

- A. Annexation of Poland by Germany
- B. Aerial bombing on Poland
- C. Japanese attack on preal Harbor ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Non-payment of dues by Germans

A. Wrong: Germany's annexation/invasion of Poland drew Britain and France into the war in 1939, not the USA.

B. Wrong: aerial bombing of Poland was not the event that brought the USA in.

C. Correct: the USA entered the Second World War after the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, 7 December 1941.

D. Wrong: non-payment of dues by Germans was not the cause.

Question 45 General Knowledge

International Women's Day is celebrated each year on:

- A. 6 March
- B. 8 March ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. 10 March
- D. 12 March

A. Wrong: 6 March is not International Women's Day.

B. Correct: International Women's Day is celebrated each year on 8 March.

C. Wrong: 10 March is not the day.

D. Wrong: 12 March is not the day.

46 General Knowledge

Consider the following statements relating to the World Trade Organization (WTO):

- A. The WTO deals with the global rules of trade between nations.
- B. The goal of the WTO is to help producers of goods and Services, exporters and importers to conduct their business
- C. The WTO, which is a successor body of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, came into being following the Uruguay Round of Negotiations.
- D. All of these ✓ **Correct answer**

A. True as stated: the WTO does deal with the global rules of trade between nations.

B. True as stated: the WTO's goal is to help producers, exporters and importers conduct their business.

C. True as stated: the WTO, successor to the GATT, came into being following the Uruguay Round (established 1995).

D. Correct: all three statements are true, so 'All of these' is the answer.

Question 47 General Knowledge

World bank is also known as:

- A. International Bank of development
- B. International Bank for reconstruction and development ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. International Bank for infrastructure and development
- D. International Bank for design and development

A. Wrong: 'International Bank of development' is not the World Bank's name.

B. Correct: the World Bank is also known as the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD).

C. Wrong: 'International Bank for infrastructure and development' is not its name.

nternational Bank for design and development' is not its name.

Question 48 General Knowledge

The author of the wealth of nation is

- A. Adam Smith ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. William Robins
- C. Ravid Recardo
- D. None of these

A. Correct: Adam Smith is the author of 'The Wealth of Nations' (1776).

B. Wrong: 'William Robins' (Lionel Robbins) did not write it.

C. Wrong: 'Ravid Recardo' (David Ricardo) did not write it.

D. Wrong: option A is correct, so 'None of these' fails.

Question 49 General Knowledge

Who coined the name of United Nations?

- A. Stalin
- B. F. D. Roosevelt ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. John. F Kennedy
- D. None of these

A. Wrong: Stalin did not coin the name.

B. Correct: Franklin D. Roosevelt coined the name 'United Nations' (1941-42).

C. Wrong: John F. Kennedy did not coin it.

D. Wrong: option B is correct, so 'None of these' fails.

50 General Knowledge

When World War ll ended------

- A. 1942
- B. 1944
- C. 1945 ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. None of these

A. Wrong: 1942 is mid-war.

B. Wrong: 1944 is still wartime.

C. Correct: the Second World War ended in 1945.

D. Wrong: option C is correct, so 'None of these' fails.

Question 51 General Knowledge

NAFTA stands for ------

- A. North America Free Trade Agreement ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. North Asian Free Trade Agreement
- C. North American Free Trade Association
- D. None of these

A. Correct in substance: NAFTA stands for the North American Free Trade Agreement (the option's wording drops the '-n', see the flag).

B. Wrong: 'North Asian' is wrong — it is North American.

C. Wrong: it is an Agreement, not an Association, and 'American' not 'America'.

D. Wrong: option A is correct, so 'None of these' fails.

52 General Knowledge

When did Iran leave Baghdad Pact:

- A. 1973
- B. 1976
- C. 1979 ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. 1989

A. Wrong: 1973 is six years too early.

B. Wrong: 1976 is three years too early.

C. Correct: Iran left the Baghdad Pact (CENTO) in 1979, after the Islamic Revolution.

D. Wrong: 1989 is a decade too late.

Question 53 General Knowledge

BIMAN is an airline of:

- A. Afghanistan
- B. Sri Lanka
- C. Bangladesh ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Malaysia

A. Wrong: BIMAN is not the airline of Afghanistan.

B. Wrong: it is not the airline of Sri Lanka.

C. Correct: BIMAN (Biman Bangladesh Airlines) is the airline of Bangladesh.

D. Wrong: it is not the airline of Malaysia.

Question 54 General Knowledge

Fidel Castro was a ----- president.

- B. Cuba ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Hungary
- D. Poland

A. Wrong: Fidel Castro was not president of Italy.

B. Correct: Fidel Castro was president of Cuba.

C. Wrong: he was not president of Hungary.

D. Wrong: he was not president of Poland.

Question 55 General Knowledge

The best way to collect data and information is:

- A. Visit
- B. Questionnaire ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Sharpness
- D. None of these

A. Wrong: a visit is a way of observing, not the standard keyed best tool for collecting data.

B. Correct (printed key B): the questionnaire is the standard keyed answer for the best way to collect data and information.

C. Wrong: 'Sharpness' is not a data-collection method.

D. Wrong: option B is correct, so 'None of these' fails.

Question 56 General Knowledge

Which of the following is not Olympic sport?

- A. Swimming

- C. Cricket ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Fencing

A. Wrong: swimming is an Olympic sport.

B. Wrong: badminton has been an Olympic sport since 1992.

C. Correct: cricket is not (currently) an Olympic sport.

D. Wrong: fencing is an Olympic sport.

Question 57 General Knowledge

"Zulu" is the prominent tribe of

- A. Mongolia
- B. Malaysia
- C. Zambia
- D. South Africa ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Wrong: the Zulu are not a Mongolian tribe.

B. Wrong: they are not a Malaysian tribe.

C. Wrong: they are not a Zambian tribe.

D. Correct: the Zulu are the prominent tribe of South Africa (KwaZulu-Natal).

Question 58 General Knowledge

The largest famine hit Ethiopia in:

- A. 1980
- B. 1983 ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. 1990
- D. 1993

1980 is three years before the famine began.

B. Correct: the great Ethiopian famine of 1983-1985 — the worst to hit the country in a century — began in 1983.

C. Wrong: 1990 is after the famine.

D. Wrong: 1993 is after the famine.

Question 59 General Knowledge

When did Iran leave the Baghdad Pact?

- A. 12th Feb 1957
- B. 11th March 1979 ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. 10th September 1956
- D. 7th December 1962

A. Wrong: 12 February 1957 is not the date.

B. Correct: Iran left the Baghdad Pact on 11 March 1979.

C. Wrong: 10 September 1956 is not the date.

D. Wrong: 7 December 1962 is not the date.

Question 60 General Knowledge

In which year did Malaysia gain independence?

- A. 1956
- B. 1957 ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. 1958
- D. 1963

A. Wrong: 1956 is a year too early.

Malaysia (Malaya) gained independence on 31 August 1957.

C. Wrong: 1958 is a year too late.

D. Wrong: 1963 is the year the Federation of Malaysia was formed, not the independence year.

Question 61 General Knowledge

Who was 1st President of Indonesia?

- A. Dr. Hatta
- B. Megawati Sukarmoputri
- C. Dr. Ahmad Sukarno ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Joko windodo

A. Wrong: Dr. Hatta (Mohammad Hatta) was the first vice-president, not president.

B. Wrong: Megawati Sukarnoputri was a later president (and Sukarno's daughter).

C. Correct: Dr. Ahmad Sukarno was the first President of Indonesia (1945).

D. Wrong: Joko Widodo is a later president.

Question 62 General Knowledge

What is the upper house of the Indian parliament called?

- A. Rajya Sabha ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Lok Sabha
- C. Vidhan Sabha
- D. Gram Sabha

A. Correct: the Rajya Sabha (Council of States) is the upper house of the Indian parliament.

B. Wrong: the Lok Sabha (House of the People) is the lower house.

e Vidhan Sabha is a state legislative assembly.

D. Wrong: the Gram Sabha is a village assembly.

Question 63 General Knowledge

Who is the Muslim scientist known as the founder of computer science?

- A. Ibn-e-khaldun
- B. ibn-e-Sina
- C. Al-Kindi
- D. Al-Khwarizmi ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Wrong: Ibn-e-Khaldun was a historian and sociologist, not the keyed founder.

B. Wrong: Ibn-e-Sina (Avicenna) was a physician and philosopher.

C. Wrong: Al-Kindi was a philosopher, not the keyed founder.

D. Correct: Al-Khwarizmi is the keyed Muslim scientist known as the founder of computer science (algebra/algorithm).

Question 64 General Knowledge

Which country has the largest stock market in Asia?

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

A. Correct: China has the largest stock market in Asia — by country market capitalisation China ($14.84 trillion, April 2026) is ahead of Japan ($8.19 trillion), and by single exchange the Shanghai Stock Exchange ($7.18 trillion, 2024) leads the Tokyo exchange ($6.31 trillion).

pan is second in Asia, not first.

C. Wrong: India is smaller than China.

D. Wrong: South Korea is smaller than China.

Question 65 General Knowledge

At-------- in 1945 US President Franklin D Roosevelt British Prime Minister Churchill and Soviet Premier Joseph Stalin made important decisions regarding the future progress of the war and the postwar world.

- A. Tehran
- B. Yalta ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Potsdam
- D. Casablanca

A. Wrong: the Tehran Conference was in 1943 and did not include this trio in this form.

B. Correct: at Yalta in February 1945, Roosevelt, Churchill and Stalin made the key decisions on the war's end and the postwar world.

C. Wrong: the Potsdam Conference was July-August 1945, after Roosevelt's death (Truman attended).

D. Wrong: the Casablanca Conference was in January 1943.

Question 66 General Knowledge

Total member countries of ECO (Economic Co-operation Organization).

- A. 8
- B. 10 ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. 12
- D. 14

is too few.

B. Correct: the Economic Cooperation Organization (ECO) has 10 member countries.

C. Wrong: 12 is too many.

D. Wrong: 14 is too many.

Question 67 General Knowledge

The U. N charter consist of a preamble and 111 articles grouped into ------ chapter

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

A. Correct: the UN Charter consists of a preamble and 111 articles grouped into 19 chapters.

B. Wrong: 20 chapters is one too many.

C. Wrong: 21 chapters is two too many.

D. Wrong: 22 chapters is three too many.

Question 68 General Knowledge

Last country who joined SAARC in 2007 as 8th member is?

- A. Bhutan
- B. Nepal
- C. Sri Lanka
- D. Afghanistan ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Wrong: Bhutan was a founding SAARC member (1985).

epal was a founding member.

C. Wrong: Sri Lanka was a founding member.

D. Correct: Afghanistan joined SAARC in 2007 as its 8th member.

Question 69 General Knowledge

The world's oldest parliament is?

- A. Diet
- B. Cortes
- C. Althing ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. None of these

A. Wrong: the Diet is the parliament of Japan.

B. Wrong: the Cortes is the parliament of Spain.

C. Correct: the Althing of Iceland (founded 930 AD) is the world's oldest parliament.

D. Wrong: option C is correct, so 'None of these' fails.

Question 70 General Knowledge

After 23 years Israel withdraw it's army from which country in 2000?

- A. Egypt
- B. Jordan
- C. Lebanon ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Syria

A. Wrong: Israel did not withdraw from Egypt in 2000 (it left Sinai in 1982).

B. Wrong: Israel did not withdraw from Jordan in 2000.

C. Correct: Israel withdrew its army from Lebanon in May 2000.

raël did not withdraw from Syria in 2000 (it still holds the Golan).

Question 71 General Knowledge

In which year did Spain join NATO?

- A. 1980
- B. 1982 ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. 1984
- D. 1986

A. Wrong: 1980 is two years too early.

B. Correct: Spain joined NATO in 1982.

C. Wrong: 1984 is two years too late.

D. Wrong: 1986 is the year Spain joined the EEC, not NATO.

Question 72 General Knowledge

Regional Cooperation Development found in:

- A. 1964 ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. 1970
- C. 1974
- D. 1976

A. Correct: the Regional Cooperation for Development (RCD) was founded in 1964 by Iran, Pakistan and Turkey.

B. Wrong: 1970 is six years too late.

C. Wrong: 1974 is a decade too late.

D. Wrong: 1976 is twelve years too late.

73 General Knowledge

Germany remains occupied by allies from 1945 to:

- A. 1950
- B. 1951
- C. 1952
- D. 1953

No answer is given for this question, and none is taught. DEFECTIVE-EXCLUDED (printed key C): no answer asserted. See the flag below.

A. Wrong: the occupation did not end in 1950.

B. Wrong: it did not end in 1951.

C. Wrong — and this is the printed key: 1952 is the year the General Treaty was signed, not the year the occupation ended. The occupation ended 5 May 1955.

D. Wrong: it did not end in 1953.

Question 74 General Knowledge

The interdisciplinary study of human population is called -------

- A. Geography
- B. Demography ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Biography
- D. Cartography

A. Wrong: geography is the broader study of the earth and its features.

B. Correct: demography is the interdisciplinary study of human populations.

C. Wrong: a biography is the story of one person's life.

D. Wrong: cartography is map-making.

75 General Knowledge

The study of life of one's individual is called -------

- A. Psychology
- B. Biography ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Biology
- D. None of these

A. Wrong: psychology is the study of mind and behaviour.

B. Correct: a biography is the study (story) of the life of one individual.

C. Wrong: biology is the study of living things.

D. Wrong: option B is correct, so 'None of these' fails.

Question 76 General Knowledge

Israel withdraw its troops in 2000 after 23 years from which country:

- A. Syria
- B. Lebanon ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Egypt
- D. None of these

A. Wrong: Israel did not withdraw from Syria in 2000.

B. Correct: Israel withdrew its troops from Lebanon in 2000.

C. Wrong: Israel did not withdraw from Egypt in 2000.

D. Wrong: option B is correct, so 'None of these' fails.

Question 77 General Knowledge

The famous book "The Republic" was written by:

- B. Plato ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Aristotle
- D. Alexander

A. Wrong: Socrates wrote nothing; he is a character in Plato's dialogues.

B. Correct: 'The Republic' was written by Plato.

C. Wrong: Aristotle was Plato's pupil, not the author of 'The Republic'.

D. Wrong: Alexander was Aristotle's pupil, not the author.

Question 78 General Knowledge

NAFTA stand for?

- A. North Asian Free Trade Agreement
- B. North America Free Trade Association
- C. North Alliance Free Trade Agreement
- D. North American Free Trade Agreement ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Wrong: 'North Asian' is wrong — it is North American.

B. Wrong: it is an Agreement, not an Association.

C. Wrong: it is not an Alliance.

D. Correct: NAFTA stands for the North American Free Trade Agreement.

Question 79 General Knowledge

When was the African Union established?

- A. 1967
- B. 1987
- C. 2002 ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Wrong: 1967 is not the year.

B. Wrong: 1987 is not the year.

C. Correct: the African Union was established (launched) in 2002, succeeding the OAU.

D. Wrong: 2005 is three years too late.

Question 80 General Knowledge

What is the name of Iran's new currency?

- A. Roman
- B. Toman ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Sian
- D. Bron

A. Wrong: 'Roman' is not Iran's currency.

B. Correct: the Toman is Iran's new currency unit — approved in 2020 to replace the rial (1 Toman = 10,000 rials).

C. Wrong: 'Sian' is not Iran's currency.

D. Wrong: 'Bron' is not Iran's currency.

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