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Question 1 Pakistan Geography (Urdu)

وادی گوپال میں پائے جانے والا گلیشر ہے؟

A. ترانگو

Correct answer ✓ B. بتورا

C. بیافو

D. التر

A. Wrong: Trango is a group of rock towers (Trango Towers) in the Baltoro region, not the

s valley.

B. Correct: The Batura Glacier, 57 km long, lies in the Gojal (Upper Hunza) valley — Batura is the glacier of that valley.

C. Wrong: The Biafo Glacier is in the Karakoram near Askole/Shigar, not in the Gojal valley.

D. Wrong: Ultar Sar) is a peak above Hunza, not a glacier of this valley.

Gojal) 'وادی گوجال' evidently a misprint of — 'وادی گوپال' * * Flag:* * Stem reads .where the Batura Glacier lies ,(valley, Upper Hunza

Question 2 Pakistan Geography (Urdu)

تھل کا ریگستان پھیلا ہوا ہے؟

Correct answer ✓ A•. میاں والی ،خوشاب، لیہ ،بھکر

B•. فیصل آباد، گجرانوالہ، سیالکوٹ

C•. کراچی، حیدراباد، میرپورخاص

D•. پشاور ،چار سدرہ، دیر

A. Correct: The Thal Desert lies between the Indus and Jhelum rivers across Mianwali, Khushab, Bhakkar and Layyah districts of Punjab.

B. Wrong: These are canal-colony districts of central Punjab, not Thal desert districts.

C. Wrong: These are Sindh districts; the Thar Desert, not the Thal, is in Sindh.

D. Wrong: These are Khyber Pakhtunkhwa districts, far north of the Thal.

Question 3 Pakistan Geography (Urdu)

پاکستان کو تاجکستان سے جدا کرتی ہے؟

A•. دریائے سندھ

C. نانگا پربت

Correct answer ✓ D. واہ کی پٹی

A. Wrong: The Indus flows through Pakistan; it does not separate Pakistan from Tajikistan.

B. Wrong: The Hunza valley is inside Pakistan, not a border strip with Tajikistan.

C. Wrong: Nanga Parbat is a mountain massif in Gilgit-Baltistan, not a border separator.

D. Correct: The Wakhan Corridor (Wakhan strip) of Afghanistan separates Pakistan from Tajikistan.

Question 4 Pakistan Geography (Urdu)

دریائے سندھ جا کر گرتا ہے

Correct answer ✓ A. بحیر عرب میں

B. بحیرہ سائبریا میں

C. بحیرہ کیسپیئن میں

D. دریائے گنگا میں

A. Correct: The Indus flows south through Pakistan and empties into the Arabian Sea at the Indus Delta in Sindh.

B. Wrong: There is no "Sea of Siberia" on the Indus route; Siberia is in northern Asia.

C. Wrong: The Caspian Sea is landlocked far to the north-west; the Indus never reaches it.

D. Wrong: The Ganges is a separate river system to the east; the Indus does not join it.

Question 5 Pakistan Geography (Urdu)

جنوبی پنجاب میں پائے جانے والی نہریں ہیں؟

Correct answer ✓ A. دوامی نہریں

B. ثلاثی نہریں

C. چوگنی نہریں

D. پانچگنی نہریں

A. Correct (per the printed key): Perennial canals flow all year round; the key says South Punjab's canals are perennial.

B. Wrong: There is no recognised "triple canal" class in Punjab's canal system.

C. Wrong: There is no recognised "quadruple canal" class.

D. Wrong: There is no recognised "quintuple canal" class. **Flag:** SINGLE-SOURCE: the answer rests on the test360 printed key alone — no independent source was found confirming the South Punjab claim, though A is the only option naming a real canal class.

Question 6 Pakistan Geography / Economy (Urdu)

پاکستان کی اہم ترین درامدات میں شامل ہیں؟

A. سونے چاندی اور حجر

Correct answer ✓ B. پیٹرولیم ،مشینری اور اشیاء خوردنی

C. لکڑی ،پتھر اور سیمنٹ

D. ائرن، پلاسٹک اور چوڑی

A. Wrong: Gold, silver and stone are minor imports, not among Pakistan's top import groups.

B. Correct: Petroleum products, machinery and food items are consistently Pakistan's largest import categories.

C. Wrong: Timber, stone and cement are imported, but they are not the top import groups.

on, plastic and bangles are smaller import items, not the leading groups.

Question 7 Pakistan Geography (Urdu)

چلغوزہ کا درخت پایا جاتا ہے؟

Correct answer ✓ A. کم بارش والے پہاڑی علاقے میں

B. ریگستانی علاقہ میں

C. دریائی کناروں پر

D. بانجھ جنگلات میں

A. Correct: The chilgoza pine grows in dry temperate mountain forests (low rainfall, high altitude), e.g. Chitral, Zhob and the Sulaiman range.

B. Wrong: Chilgoza does not grow in desert lowlands; it needs mountain altitude.

C. Wrong: River banks suit riverine species, not the chilgoza pine.

D. Wrong: "Barren forests" is not a habitat class; chilgoza grows in dry temperate mountain forest.

Question 8 World Geography (Urdu)

خلیج ممالک کس راستے سے مغربی ممالک سے تجارت کر سکتے ہیں؟

A. بحیرہ روم اور بحیرہ ہند

Correct answer ✓ B. بحیرہ روم اور بحیرہ احمر

C. بحیرہ عرب اور بحیرہ احمرت

D. بحیرہ عرب اور بحیرہ احمر

A. Wrong: The Mediterranean and the Indian Ocean do not connect directly; the Red Sea and Suez lie between them.

The Gulf-to-Europe sea route runs through the Red Sea, the Suez Canal and the Mediterranean — the Red Sea–Mediterranean route.

C. Wrong: The Arabian Sea to the Red Sea is only the first leg; it does not reach the western (Mediterranean) countries, and the option is misspelt.

D. Wrong: This names the first two seas of the route but stops at the Red Sea; the intended full route to the West is the Red Sea plus the Mediterranean. * * Flag: * * Option C reads 'بحیرہ احمرت' — an extra ت; read 'بحیرہ احمر'.

Question 9 Pakistan Geography

What is the population density of Punjab?

- A. 250 person per sq. Km
- B. 350 person per sq.km
- C. 450 person per sq. Km
- D. 550 person per sq. Km ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Wrong: Far below Punjab's density; 250 is roughly the national average for Pakistan, not Punjab.

B. Wrong: Below Punjab's density; the 1998 census figure was already about 359.

C. Wrong: Below the 2017 census figure.

D. Correct: The Population Welfare Department Punjab table gives 536 persons per sq km (2017 census, 110 million people on 205,344 sq km); 550 is the closest option and the standard textbook figure.

Question 10 Pakistan Geography

Which of the following are river of Punjab?

- A. Jehlum

- C. Chenab
- D. All of these ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Wrong as the single answer: The Jhelum is a Punjab river, but so are the others.

B. Wrong as the single answer: The Sutlej is a Punjab river, but so are the others.

C. Wrong as the single answer: The Chenab is a Punjab river, but so are the others.

D. Correct: Jhelum, Sutlej and Chenab are all rivers of Punjab (three of its five rivers).

Question 11 World Geography

Mount Vesuvius is located in:

- A. Italy ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Russia
- C. Germany
- D. Canada

A. Correct: Vesuvius stands on the Bay of Naples in Italy; its eruption in AD 79 buried Pompeii.

B. Wrong: Russia's volcanoes are in Kamchatka, not Vesuvius.

C. Wrong: Germany has no active volcano of this name.

D. Wrong: Canada has no volcano called Vesuvius.

Question 12 Pakistan Geography

Which Dam is located in Sawabi, Haripur and Attock?

- A. Dassu
- B. Ghazi Barotha
- C. Warsak Dam

ne of these (Tarbela Dam) ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Wrong: The Dasu Dam is on the Indus in Kohistan, not at Swabi/Haripur/Attock.

B. Wrong: Ghazi Barotha is downstream of Tarbela near Attock, but it is not the dam described.

C. Wrong: Warsak is on the Kabul River near Peshawar.

D. Correct: The dam spanning the Swabi–Haripur area (with Attock across the Indus) is Tarbela; the option itself names it in brackets. **Flag:** The option wording is odd — "None of these" with "(Tarbela Dam)" in brackets — but the intended answer is plainly Tarbela. 'Sawabi' is Swabi.

Question 13 Pakistan Geography

Height of K-2 is

- A. 8,632
- B. 8,621
- C. 8,611 ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. 8,631

A. Wrong: 21 metres too high.

B. Wrong: 10 metres too high.

C. Correct: K-2 (Godwin-Austen) is 8,611 metres, the world's second-highest peak.

D. Wrong: 20 metres too high.

Question 14 World Geography

Which of the following is the largest country of Africa by area?

- A. Algeria ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Sudan

- D. Democratic Republic of the Congo

A. Correct: Algeria, about 2.38 million sq km, is Africa's largest country since South Sudan's independence shrank Sudan.

B. Wrong: Sudan was Africa's largest before 2011; after South Sudan's secession it is third.

C. Wrong: Nigeria is Africa's most populous country, but much smaller in area than Algeria.

D. Wrong: The DRC is Africa's second-largest country by area, after Algeria.

Question 15 Pakistan Geography

The length of siachen Glacier is:

- A. 60 km
- B. 76 km ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. 50 km
- D. 80 km

A. Wrong: Too short; Siachen is longer than 60 km.

B. Correct: The Siachen Glacier is about 76 km long (commonly quoted 70–76 km), the longest glacier in the Karakoram.

C. Wrong: Far too short.

D. Wrong: Slightly too long; the accepted figure is about 76 km.

Question 16 World Geography

Normandy is in which country:

- A. England
- B. Austria

- D. Italy

A. Wrong: Normandy is across the Channel from England, not in it.

B. Wrong: Austria is landlocked central Europe; Normandy is on the French coast.

C. Correct: Normandy is a region of north-western France, famous for the 1944 D-Day landings.

D. Wrong: Italy is a separate country to the south-east.

Question 17 World Geography

Which city is built on 118 islands

- A. Venice ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Turin
- C. Rome
- D. None of these

A. Correct: Venice is built on 118 small islands in the Venetian Lagoon, linked by canals and bridges.

B. Wrong: Turin is an inland Piedmont city, not built on islands.

C. Wrong: Rome is built on seven hills on the Tiber, not on 118 islands.

D. Wrong: Venice is the city described.

Question 18 Pakistan Geography

Khunjerab is a -------

- A. Mountain
- B. Lake
- C. Museum

s ✓ Correct answer

A. Wrong: Khunjerab is not a mountain peak.

B. Wrong: There is no Lake Khunjerab.

C. Wrong: Khunjerab is a geographical feature, not a museum.

D. Correct: The Khunjerab Pass (4,693 m) on the Pakistan–China border is the highest paved international border crossing in the world.

Question 19 Pakistan Geography

The purpose of Mirani Dam is -------

- A. Electricity purposes
- B. Industry purposes
- C. Irrigation purposes ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Domestic purposes

A. Wrong: Mirani has only a small power component; power generation is not its purpose.

B. Wrong: The dam was not built to supply industry.

C. Correct: The Mirani Dam on the Dasht River in Kech, Balochistan, was built primarily to irrigate land (with flood control), the standard stated purpose.

D. Wrong: Domestic water supply is a side benefit, not the dam's purpose.

Question 20 General Science

The gravity of Moon as compared to Earth is:

- A. 1/2
- B. 1/4
- C. 1/6 ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. 1/8

half of Earth's gravity would be far too strong for the Moon.

B. Wrong: A quarter is still too strong.

C. Correct: The Moon's surface gravity is about one-sixth of Earth's (1.62 m/s^2 against 9.8 m/s^2).

D. Wrong: An eighth is too weak.

Question 21 Pakistan Geography

Which one of the following is the biggest man-made Lake found in Pakistan?

- A. Keenjhar Lake ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Saif-ul-Malook Lake
- C. Hub Lake
- D. Manchar Lake

A. Correct: Keenjhar (Kalri) Lake in Thatta, Sindh, is Pakistan's largest artificial lake — the peer-reviewed MDPI paper on the lake states it directly.

B. Wrong: A small natural mountain lake near Naran, not man-made and not the largest.

C. Wrong: Hub Dam's reservoir is artificial but far smaller than Keenjhar.

D. Wrong: Manchar is a large NATURAL freshwater lake in Sindh, not man-made.

Question 22 Pakistan Geography

Ghazi Barotha Dam is located on which river:

- A. Indus ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Swat
- C. Kabul
- D. None of these

A. Correct: The Ghazi Barotha Hydropower Project diverts water from the Indus just

of Tarbela Dam.

B. Wrong: The Swat River has its own projects, not Ghazi Barotha.

C. Wrong: The Kabul River joins the Indus near Attock, downstream of Ghazi Barotha.

D. Wrong: The Indus (A) is the river.

Question 23 World Geography

The most populous continent is:

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

A. Wrong: Africa is second, with about 1.4 billion people.

B. Correct: Asia holds about 4.7 billion people, roughly 60% of humanity — by far the most populous continent.

C. Wrong: Europe has about 745 million people, far fewer than Asia.

D. Wrong: Australia (Oceania) has the smallest continental population, about 45 million.

Question 24 Pakistan Geography

Which country is located in the north of Pakistan?

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

A. Wrong: Afghanistan lies to the west and north-west of Pakistan, not due north.

hina borders Pakistan to the north (Xinjiang, across the Karakoram and the Khunjerab Pass).

C. Wrong: Bangladesh is far to the east, beyond India.

D. Wrong: India lies to the east and south-east of Pakistan.

Question 25 World Geography

Pompeii is the town of:

- A. Pakistan
- B. Brazil
- C. Italy ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Greece

A. Wrong: No town of this name exists in Pakistan.

B. Wrong: Pompeii is not in Brazil.

C. Correct: Pompeii, near Naples in Italy, was buried by the eruption of Vesuvius in AD 79.

D. Wrong: Greece has ancient towns, but Pompeii is Roman Italy.

Question 26 Pakistan Geography

Which is the largest river of Pakistan?

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

A. Wrong: The Ravi is one of the five Punjab rivers, but much smaller than the Indus.

B. Correct: The Indus is Pakistan's longest and largest river, running the length of the country.

The Chenab is the largest of the Punjab tributaries, but still a tributary of the Indus.

D. Wrong: The Jhelum is a tributary of the Chenab, smaller than the Indus.

Question 27 Pakistan Geography

Minar-e-Pakistan is located in which park:

- A. Qasim Park
- B. Jinnah Park
- C. Iqbal Park ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. None of these

A. Wrong: No park of this name holds the Minar.

B. Wrong: Jinnah Park is in Rawalpindi; the Minar is in Lahore.

C. Correct: Minar-e-Pakistan stands in Iqbal Park (the former Minto Park, now Greater Iqbal Park), Lahore.

D. Wrong: Iqbal Park (C) is the park.

Question 28 Pakistan History

Harappa was the center of:

- A. Maya Civilization
- B. Indus valley civilization ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Hunter civilization
- D. Silicon valley civilization

A. Wrong: The Maya were in Mesoamerica (Mexico/Central America), not the Punjab.

B. Correct: Harappa, in Sahiwal district, Punjab, is a type-site of the Indus Valley Civilization.

There is no "Hunter civilization" centred on Harappa; the Harappans were urban agriculturalists.

D. Wrong: A nonsense distractor — Silicon Valley is in California.

Question 29 World Geography

Alexandria is the seaport of:

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

A. Wrong: Germany's seaports are Hamburg and Bremen, not Alexandria.

B. Correct: Alexandria is Egypt's main Mediterranean seaport, founded by Alexander the Great.

C. Wrong: Italy's ports include Genoa and Naples, not Alexandria.

D. Wrong: Syria's ports are Latakia and Tartus.

Question 30 World Geography / Economy

In which city the headquarters of International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) located in?

- A. London
- B. New York City
- C. Washington DC ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Geneva

A. Wrong: London hosts many banks, but not the IBRD.

B. Wrong: New York hosts the UN headquarters, but the World Bank Group sits in

DC.

C. Correct: The IBRD (the World Bank) is headquartered in Washington, DC, USA.

D. Wrong: Geneva hosts UN agencies, not the IBRD.

Question 31 Pakistan Geography

Largest Earth filled Dam

- A. Tarbela ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Mangla
- C. Chashma
- D. Warsak

A. Correct: Tarbela Dam on the Indus is the largest earth-filled dam in Pakistan — and in the world (see Q44).

B. Wrong: Mangla is a large earth-filled dam on the Jhelum, but smaller than Tarbela.

C. Wrong: Chashma Barrage on the Indus is far smaller.

D. Wrong: Warsak is a concrete gravity dam on the Kabul, not an earth-filled dam of this scale.

Question 32 World Geography

Which strait separates Italy and Sicily?

- A. Gibraltar Strait
- B. Suez Canal
- C. Bosporus
- D. Strait of Malaysia ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Wrong: Gibraltar separates Spain from Morocco, at the western Mediterranean.

B. Wrong: The Suez Canal is a canal in Egypt, not a strait between Italy and Sicily.

…e Bosporus is the strait at Istanbul, Turkey.

D. Intended answer: The strait that separates Italy from Sicily is the Strait of MESSINA (Britannica; NASA Earth Observatory). Option D as printed — "Strait of Malaysia" — is evidently a misprint of "Messina" (no "Strait of Malaysia" separates Italy and Sicily; the Strait of Malacca is in South-East Asia). **Flag:** PICK-ONE — decided by the assistant under the owner's 8 Nov delegation. The correct strait (Messina) is not offered as printed; D is retained as the intended answer because it is the only option in the Messina slot, and "Malaysia" is a one-word misprint of "Messina". The printed key D is NOT corrected — the option text is the defect.

Question 33 Pakistan Geography

Hadappa is in which province?

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

A. Wrong: Harappa is not in Balochistan.

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

C. Wrong: Sindh holds Mohenjo-daro, the other great Indus city — not Harappa.

D. Wrong: Harappa is not in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. **Flag:** Stem reads 'Hadappa' — Harappa.

Question 34 Pakistan Geography

Rainiest Place of Pakistan?

- A. Muree ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Swat

- D. Chitral

A. Correct: Murree is the standard answer for the rainiest place in Pakistan, receiving about 1,800 mm of rain a year in the Himalayan foothills.

B. Wrong: Swat is wet, but its rainfall is lower than Murree's.

C. Wrong: Quetta is in dry Balochistan with very low rainfall.

D. Wrong: Chitral is relatively dry, in the rain shadow of the Hindu Kush. **Flag:** Option A reads 'Muree' — Murree.

Question 35 Pakistan Geography

Which lake is referred to as the "Paradise for Birds"?

- A. Keenjhar lake
- B. Manchar Lake
- C. Haleji lake ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Astola lake

A. Wrong: Keenjhar is famous as the largest freshwater lake, not as the "Paradise for Birds".

B. Wrong: Manchar is the largest natural freshwater lake, not the bird paradise of this title.

C. Correct: Haleji Lake in Thatta, Sindh, a Ramsar wetland, is known as a paradise for migratory birds.

D. Wrong: Astola is an island off Balochistan, not a bird-paradise lake.

Question 36 General Science

Phase of Moon occur because -------

- A. Our distance from the moon keeps changing

shadow of the Earth covers only a part of the moon's surface

- C. The thickness of the moon's atmosphere is not constant.
- D. We can see only that part of the moon which reflects light towards us. ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Wrong: Distance changes cause size variation, not the phases.

B. Wrong: That describes a lunar ECLIPSE, not the monthly phases.

C. Wrong: The Moon has essentially no atmosphere; this plays no part in the phases.

D. Correct: The phases are the changing fraction of the Moon's sunlit half that faces Earth as it orbits.

Question 37 Pakistan Geography

Khanpur Dam is located in?

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

A. Wrong: The dam is just across the provincial line; its site is in Haripur district, KP — not Punjab.

B. Correct: Khanpur Dam on the Haro River is in Haripur District, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.

C. Wrong: Khanpur is in the north, not Sindh.

D. Wrong: Khanpur is not in Balochistan.

Question 38 Pakistan Geography

Which countries are situated to the west of Pakistan?

- A. China and Myanmar

- C. Afghanistan and Iran ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Bangladesh and Bhutan

A. Wrong: China is to the north; Myanmar is far to the east, beyond India and Bangladesh.

B. Wrong: India and Nepal are to the east of Pakistan.

C. Correct: Afghanistan (north-west) and Iran (south-west) are Pakistan's two western neighbours.

D. Wrong: Both are to the east of Pakistan.

Question 39 Pakistan History

Where is the tomb of Noor Jahan located?

- A. Lahore, Anarkali
- B. Lahore Badshahi Mosque
- C. Lahore, Shahdara ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Islamabad, Faisal Mosque

A. Wrong: Anarkali holds other Mughal-era tombs, not Noor Jahan's.

B. Wrong: The Badshahi Mosque is a mosque, not the site of Noor Jahan's tomb.

C. Correct: Noor Jahan's tomb is in Shahdara Bagh, Lahore, near her husband Jahangir's tomb.

D. Wrong: The Faisal Mosque is in Islamabad; Noor Jahan died centuries before it was built.

Question 40 Pakistan History

The nuclear program is conducted at?

- A. Chaghi Hills ✓ **Correct answer**

- C. Islamabad
- D. Kahuta Laboratories

A. Correct: Pakistan's nuclear tests (Chagai-I, 28 May 1998) were conducted at the Chaghi (Chagai) Hills in Balochistan.

B. Wrong: Multan has no nuclear test role.

C. Wrong: Islamabad is the administrative capital, not the test site.

D. Wrong: Kahuta (Khan Research Laboratories) is the uranium-enrichment facility; the tests themselves were conducted at Chaghi.

Question 41 General Science

Solar plate consist of which type of cell:

- A. Fuel cell
- B. Photo voltaic cell ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Both A and B
- D. None of these

A. Wrong: A fuel cell generates electricity from a chemical fuel (e.g. hydrogen); a solar panel does not use one.

B. Correct: A solar panel is made of photovoltaic cells, which convert sunlight directly into electricity.

C. Wrong: Only photovoltaic cells are in a solar panel.

D. Wrong: The photovoltaic cell (B) is the answer.

Question 42 Pakistan Geography

Kachura Lake is situated in?

rdu ✓ **Correct answer**

- B. Swat
- C. Muzaffarabad
- D. Karachi

A. Correct: Kachura Lake (Upper and Lower Kachura) is near Skardu in Gilgit-Baltistan.

B. Wrong: Swat has its own lakes (e.g. Mahodand), not Kachura.

C. Wrong: Muzaffarabad is in Azad Kashmir; Kachura is in Skardu.

D. Wrong: Karachi is on the Sindh coast, far from Kachura.

Question 43 World Geography

Hingol River is situated in which continent?

- A. Asia ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Africa
- C. Europe
- D. None of these

A. Correct: The Hingol River flows through Balochistan, Pakistan — in Asia — to the Arabian Sea.

B. Wrong: The Hingol is not in Africa.

C. Wrong: The Hingol is not in Europe.

D. Wrong: Asia (A) is the continent.

Question 44 World Geography

The largest earth filled Dam of the world is -------

- A. Warsak
- B. Terbala ✓ **Correct answer**

- D. None of these

A. Wrong: Warsak is a concrete gravity dam, not the largest earth-filled dam.

B. Correct: Tarbela Dam on the Indus in Pakistan is the largest earth-filled dam in the world by volume.

C. Wrong: Mangla is large, but smaller than Tarbela.

D. Wrong: Tarbela (B) is the answer. **Flag:** Option B reads 'Terbala' — Tarbela.

Question 45 Pakistan Geography

Durand line is the border between ------

- A. Pakistan-China
- B. Pakistan-Afghanistan ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Pakistan-Iran
- D. None of these

A. Wrong: The Pakistan–China border is the Khunjerab line, not the Durand Line.

B. Correct: The Durand Line (1893) is the border between Pakistan and Afghanistan.

C. Wrong: The Pakistan–Iran border is a separate line, not the Durand Line.

D. Wrong: Pakistan–Afghanistan (B) is the answer.

Question 46 Pakistan History

First Capital of Pakistan was?

- A. Lahore
- B. Karachi ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Hyderabad
- D. None of these

hore was the capital of Punjab province, never of Pakistan.

B. Correct: Karachi was Pakistan's first capital (1947–1959), before the capital moved to Islamabad.

C. Wrong: Hyderabad (Sindh) was never Pakistan's capital.

D. Wrong: Karachi (B) is the answer.

Question 47 Pakistan Geography

Tarbela Dam is located in -----

- A. Swabi ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Mardan
- C. Wazirabad
- D. Shangla

A. Correct: Tarbela Dam stands at the Haripur–Swabi border on the Indus; the standard test answer for its location is Swabi (the dam town of Tarbela/Topi is in Swabi district's neighbourhood).

B. Wrong: Mardan is a different district to the west.

C. Wrong: Wazirabad is a Punjab town, far from Tarbela.

D. Wrong: Shangla is a northern KP district, not the dam's site. **Flag:** The dam structure sits on the Haripur–Swabi district border; sources list it under Haripur district, with the reservoir and Topi area in Swabi — Swabi is the conventional MCQ answer (cf. Q12, which names Swabi, Haripur and Attock together).

Question 48 Pakistan Geography

Which country is in the west of Pakistan?

- A. Afghanistan

- C. Iran ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. India

A. Also west: Afghanistan lies to the north-west of Pakistan — a defensible answer to "which country is in the west", and the reason this item is a PICK-ONE rather than a clean VERIFIED.

B. Wrong: China is to the north of Pakistan.

C. Intended answer: Iran lies directly to the west (south-west) of Pakistan and is the conventional single answer to this question.

D. Wrong: India is to the east of Pakistan. **Flag:** PICK-ONE — decided by the assistant under the owner's 8 Nov delegation. The stem as worded has two defensible options (Afghanistan, north-west, and Iran, west/south-west); Iran (C) is retained as the intended single answer — it is the printed key and the conventional answer — with Afghanistan's claim recorded here rather than silently ignored.

Question 49 General Science

Glacier is a sheet of ice:

- A. Fast moving
- B. Slow moving ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Static
- D. None of these

A. Wrong: Glaciers flow, but at centimetres to metres a day — not fast.

B. Correct: A glacier is a slow-moving mass of ice, creeping downhill under its own weight.

C. Wrong: A glacier is not static; it moves, however slowly.

D. Wrong: Slow moving (B) is the answer.

50 Pakistan Geography

Glacier name of K2 is -------

- A. Godwin Austen ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Broad Peak
- C. Kyoto Zom
- D. None of these

A. Correct: The Godwin-Austen Glacier flows at the foot of K2 (itself also called Mount Godwin-Austen) in the Karakoram.

B. Wrong: Broad Peak is a separate 8,000 m peak nearby, not the name of K2's glacier.

C. Wrong: Not the glacier of K2.

D. Wrong: Godwin Austen (A) is the answer.

Question 51 World General Knowledge

What is the national flower of India?

- A. Lotus ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Lily
- C. Tulip
- D. Rose

A. Correct: The lotus is the national flower of India.

B. Wrong: The lily is not India's national flower.

C. Wrong: The tulip is associated with the Netherlands and Turkey, not India.

D. Wrong: The rose is not India's national flower.

52 General Science

Which of the following is not a planet in our solar system?

- A. Mars
- B. Pluto ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Venus
- D. Jupiter

A. Wrong: Mars is a planet.

B. Correct: Pluto was reclassified as a dwarf planet in 2006, so it is no longer counted as a planet.

C. Wrong: Venus is a planet.

D. Wrong: Jupiter is a planet.

Question 53 World Geography

What is the capital of Canada?

- A. Montreal
- B. Ottawa ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Vancouver
- D. Toronto

A. Wrong: Montreal is Canada's second-largest city, in Quebec — not the capital.

B. Correct: Ottawa, Ontario, is the capital of Canada.

C. Wrong: Vancouver is a major Pacific port city, not the capital.

D. Wrong: Toronto is Canada's largest city and Ontario's capital, not the national capital.

54 World Geography

The Taj Mahal is located in:

- A. Mumbai
- B. Delhi
- C. Agra ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Jaipur

A. Wrong: Mumbai is on India's west coast, far from the Taj Mahal.

B. Wrong: Delhi has Mughal monuments (Red Fort, Humayun's Tomb), but the Taj Mahal is in Agra.

C. Correct: The Taj Mahal stands in Agra, Uttar Pradesh, on the Yamuna.

D. Wrong: Jaipur is the "Pink City" of Rajasthan, not the Taj's city.

Question 55 General Science

Which planet is closest to the sun?

- A. Mercury ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Venus
- C. Earth
- D. Jordan

A. Correct: Mercury orbits nearest the Sun, at about 58 million km.

B. Wrong: Venus is second from the Sun.

C. Wrong: Earth is third from the Sun.

D. Wrong: Jordan is a country, not a planet. **Flag:** This stem is asked again as Q56 with the options reordered — a duplicate item inside the paper. Both are answered Mercury.

56 General Science

Which planet is closest to the sun?

- A. Earth
- B. Mercury ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Venus
- D. Mars

A. Wrong: Earth is third from the Sun.

B. Correct: Mercury is the closest planet to the Sun.

C. Wrong: Venus is second from the Sun.

D. Wrong: Mars is fourth from the Sun. **Flag:** Exact duplicate of Q55's stem (options reordered). Both items are kept as printed, both answered Mercury.

Question 57 World General Knowledge

Which country is known as the "Land of the Pharaohs"?

- A. Rome
- B. Egypt ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Jordan
- D. Greece

A. Wrong: Rome is a city (and ancient empire), not the land of the Pharaohs.

B. Correct: Egypt, ruled by the Pharaohs, is the "Land of the Pharaohs".

C. Wrong: Jordan is a different Arab country, not the Pharaohs' land.

D. Wrong: Greece is the land of the Hellenes, not the Pharaohs.

58 World Geography

What is the capital of Spain?

- A. Barcelona
- B. Lisbon
- C. Seville
- D. Madrid ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Wrong: Barcelona is Spain's second city and Catalonia's capital, not the national capital.

B. Wrong: Lisbon is the capital of Portugal, not Spain.

C. Wrong: Seville is the capital of Andalusia, not of Spain.

D. Correct: Madrid is the capital of Spain.

Question 59 World Geography

What is the largest desert in the world?

- A. Sahara ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Arabian
- C. Gobi
- D. Kalahari

A. Correct: The Sahara (about 9.2 million sq km) is the world's largest hot desert and the conventional answer to "largest desert".

B. Wrong: The Arabian Desert is large but smaller than the Sahara.

C. Wrong: The Gobi is a large cold desert in Asia, smaller than the Sahara.

D. Wrong: The Kalahari in southern Africa is far smaller than the Sahara. **Flag:** The Antarctic polar desert is larger in area than the Sahara; "largest desert" here means the largest hot desert, the standard MCQ convention.

60 World Geography

In which country is the city of Dubai located?

- A. Qatar
- B. Saudi Arabia
- C. United Arab Emirates ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Oman

A. Wrong: Qatar is a separate Gulf state; its capital is Doha.

B. Wrong: Saudi Arabia is the UAE's large neighbour, not Dubai's country.

C. Correct: Dubai is one of the seven emirates of the UAE.

D. Wrong: Oman is the UAE's eastern neighbour, not Dubai's country.

Question 61 General Science

Which of the following is not a type of cloud?

- A. Stratus
- B. Cumulus
- C. Nimbus
- D. Flavius ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Wrong: Stratus is a real cloud type (flat, layered clouds).

B. Wrong: Cumulus is a real cloud type (puffy clouds).

C. Wrong: Nimbus (nimbostratus) is a real rain-cloud type.

D. Correct: "Flavius" is a Roman personal name, not a cloud type — the odd one out.

Question 62 World Geography

Which river is the largest in the world?

- B. Amazon ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Mississippi
- D. Yangtze

A. Wrong: The Nile is the LONGEST river (see Q74), but by volume the Amazon is larger.

B. Correct: The Amazon carries more water than any other river — by discharge it is the world's largest river.

C. Wrong: The Mississippi is North America's largest river, far smaller than the Amazon.

D. Wrong: The Yangtze is Asia's longest river, but smaller in volume than the Amazon. **Flag:** "Largest" here means by discharge/volume; "longest" is the Nile (Q74).

Question 63 World General Knowledge

What is the national bird of USA?

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

A. Wrong: The ostrich is a flightless African bird, not the USA's national bird.

B. Wrong: Penguins live in the Southern Hemisphere, not the USA's national bird.

C. Wrong: The kiwi is New Zealand's national bird.

D. Correct: The bald eagle is the national bird of the United States. **Flag:** Option D reads 'Blad Eagle' — Bald Eagle.

Question 64 General Science

What is the smallest planet in our solar system?

- B. Earth
- C. Mars
- D. Venus

A. Correct: Mercury is the smallest of the eight planets (and the closest to the Sun, Q55/Q56).

B. Wrong: Earth is larger than Mercury, Venus and Mars.

C. Wrong: Mars is larger than Mercury.

D. Wrong: Venus is nearly Earth-sized, far larger than Mercury.

Question 65 World History

Who is known as the "Maid of Orleans"?

- A. Queen Victoria
- B. Cleopatra
- C. Queen Elizabeth l
- D. Joan of Arc ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Wrong: Queen Victoria was Britain's long-reigning 19th-century queen, not the Maid of Orleans.

B. Wrong: Cleopatra was the last pharaoh of Egypt, not the Maid of Orleans.

C. Wrong: Elizabeth I was England's 16th-century queen, not the Maid of Orleans.

D. Correct: Joan of Arc, who led French forces at Orléans in 1429, is the "Maid of Orleans". **Flag:** Option C reads 'Queen Elizabeth l' — lower-case L for the Roman numeral I.

Question 66 General Science

The process by which a caterpillar transforms into a butterfly is called:

- B. Fermentation
- C. Sedimentation
- D. Metamorphosis ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Wrong: Osmosis is the movement of water across a membrane, not a caterpillar's transformation.

B. Wrong: Fermentation is a metabolic process in yeast and bacteria, not insect development.

C. Wrong: Sedimentation is the settling of particles in a liquid, not a biological transformation.

D. Correct: The caterpillar-to-butterfly change is metamorphosis.

Question 67 Pakistan History

Who wrote the national anthem of Pakistan?

- A. Hafeez Jalandhari ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Faiz Ahmed Faiz
- C. Allama Iqbal
- D. Chagla

A. Correct: Hafeez Jalandhari wrote the lyrics of "Qaumi Taranah", Pakistan's national anthem.

B. Wrong: Faiz was a great poet, but he did not write the anthem.

C. Wrong: Iqbal wrote "Tarana-e-Milli" and "Saare Jahan Se Achha", not the national anthem.

D. Wrong: Ahmed Ghulamali Chagla composed the anthem's MUSIC, not its words.

68 General Science

The equatorial circumference of Earth is approximately:

- A. 30,000 km
- B. 40,075 km ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. 45,000 km
- D. 50,000 km

A. Wrong: About 10,000 km too short.

B. Correct: Earth's equatorial circumference is about 40,075 km.

C. Wrong: About 5,000 km too long.

D. Wrong: About 10,000 km too long.

Question 69 General Science

Which planet is also known as the "Red Planet"?

- A. Jupiter
- B. Venus
- C. Mars ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Satum

A. Wrong: Jupiter is the largest planet, not the Red Planet.

B. Wrong: Venus is the "Morning Star", not the Red Planet.

C. Correct: Mars looks red from iron oxide (rust) on its surface — the Red Planet.

D. Wrong: Saturn is the ringed planet (see Q73), not the Red Planet. **Flag:** Option D reads 'Satum' — Saturn.

70 World History

Sukamo belongs to which country?

- A. Indonesia ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Malaysia
- C. Egypt
- D. Kazakhstan

A. Correct: Sukarno was the first President of Indonesia.

B. Wrong: Malaysia's founding leader was Tunku Abdul Rahman, not Sukarno.

C. Wrong: Egypt's leader of that era was Nasser, not Sukarno.

D. Wrong: Kazakhstan is a Central Asian republic; Sukarno had no connection to it.

Flag: Stem reads 'Sukamo' — Sukarno.

Question 71 World General Knowledge

Which country is known as the "Land of Rising Sun "?

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

A. Correct: Japan (Nippon, "origin of the sun") is the Land of the Rising Sun.

B. Wrong: China is the "Middle Kingdom", not the Land of the Rising Sun.

C. Wrong: Thailand is the "Land of Smiles", not the Land of the Rising Sun.

D. Wrong: South Korea is the "Land of the Morning Calm", not the Land of the Rising Sun.

72 World Geography

Which is the largest ocean in the world?

- A. Arctic
- B. Atlantic
- C. Indian
- D. Pacific ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Wrong: The Arctic is the smallest ocean.

B. Wrong: The Atlantic is the second-largest ocean.

C. Wrong: The Indian Ocean is the third-largest.

D. Correct: The Pacific is by far the largest ocean, covering about 165 million sq km.

Question 73 General Science

Which planet is known as the "Ringed Planet"?

- A. Mars
- B. Jupiter
- C. Satum ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Neptune

A. Wrong: Mars has no prominent ring system.

B. Wrong: Jupiter has faint rings, but it is not "the Ringed Planet".

C. Correct: Saturn, with its broad bright rings, is the Ringed Planet.

D. Wrong: Neptune has faint rings, but it is not "the Ringed Planet". **Flag:** Option C reads 'Satum' — Saturn.

74 World Geography

Which river is the longest in the world?

- A. Amazon
- B. Mississipp
- C. Yangtze
- D. Nile ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Wrong: The Amazon is the largest by volume (see Q62), but the Nile is longer.

B. Wrong: The Mississippi is far shorter than the Nile.

C. Wrong: The Yangtze is Asia's longest, but shorter than the Nile.

D. Correct: The Nile, about 6,650 km, is the world's longest river. **Flag:** Option B reads 'Mississipp' — Mississippi.

Question 75 World General Knowledge

Which animal is called the "King of the Jungle"?

- A. Lion ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Cheetah
- C. Panther
- D. Tiger

A. Correct: The lion is traditionally called the King of the Jungle.

B. Wrong: The cheetah is the fastest land animal, not the King of the Jungle.

C. Wrong: The panther (leopard/jaguar) is not called the King of the Jungle.

D. Wrong: The tiger is the largest big cat, but the lion holds the "King of the Jungle" title.

76 World Geography

The Great Barrier Reef is located off the coast of:

- A. Australia ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Brazil
- C. India
- D. South Africa

A. Correct: The Great Barrier Reef lies off Queensland, north-eastern Australia — the world's largest coral reef system.

B. Wrong: Brazil's coast is on the Atlantic, far from the Reef.

C. Wrong: India has reefs (e.g. in the Andamans), but not the Great Barrier Reef.

D. Wrong: South Africa's coast is on the Atlantic/Indian oceans, not the Reef's site.

Question 77 World Geography

In which country is Mount Everest located?

- A. Nepal ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. India
- C. China
- D. Bhutan

A. Correct: Everest's summit is in Nepal (on the Nepal–China border); Nepal is the standard answer.

B. Wrong: Everest is not in India.

C. Wrong: The north face is in Tibet, China, but the summit and the standard answer are Nepal.

D. Wrong: Bhutan is a separate Himalayan kingdom to the east. **Flag:** Everest straddles the Nepal–China (Tibet) border; the summit lies on the Nepalese side, which is

the answer.

Question 78 World General Knowledge

The Eiffel Tower is situated in:

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

A. Wrong: London's landmark tower is Big Ben / the Elizabeth Tower.

B. Wrong: New York's landmark is the Statue of Liberty / Empire State Building.

C. Correct: The Eiffel Tower stands in Paris, France.

D. Wrong: Berlin's landmark is the Brandenburg Gate / TV Tower.

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