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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 2026 sitting.

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Question 1 Pakistan Studies

Trimmu Barrage is built on which river?

- A. Indus
- B. Jhelum
- C. Chenab ✓ **Correct answer**

A. The Indus carries barrages like Sukkur and Guddu, not Trimmu.

B. Mangla and Rasul are on the Jhelum, not Trimmu.

C. Correct: Trimmu Barrage stands on the Chenab River in Punjab, near Jhang.

D. Balloki is on the Ravi, not Trimmu.

Question 2 Computer Science

Which type of volatile RAM is faster?

- A. DRAM (Dynamic RAM)
- B. SRAM (Static RAM) ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. EPROM
- D. None of these

A. DRAM is slower than SRAM because it must be refreshed constantly.

B. Correct: SRAM is faster than DRAM — it holds data without refreshing and is used for cache memory.

C. EPROM is non-volatile programmable memory, not a type of volatile RAM.

D. Wrong: SRAM is the answer.

Note: Note: PACE prints "EPRAM"; the filed option carries "EPROM".

Question 3 Computer Science

Which is used to give IP Address to devices?

- A. ISP
- B. ICANN
- C. DNS

CP ✓ Correct answer

A. An Internet Service Provider gives you internet access, but it is DHCP that hands out the IP addresses.

B. ICANN manages domain names and IP address allocation at the top level; it does not assign addresses to devices.

C. DNS translates names into IP addresses; it does not assign them.

D. Correct: DHCP (Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol) automatically assigns IP addresses to devices on a network.

Question 4 Computer Science

Primary purpose of virtual memory?

- A. Increase CPU speed
- B. Store Data permanently
- C. Extend RAM by disk Space ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Reduce Power

A. Virtual memory does not speed up the CPU; it gives programs more memory to work with.

B. Permanent storage is the hard disk's job, not virtual memory's.

C. Correct: virtual memory uses part of the disk as if it were RAM, so programs can run as though more memory were available.

D. Virtual memory has nothing to do with reducing power use.

Question 5 Computer Science

How many bits in IPv4?

- A. 24 bits

- C. 16 bits
- D. 64 bits

A. 24 bits is not the size of an IPv4 address.

B. Correct: an IPv4 address is 32 bits long (four 8-bit numbers, like 192.168.1.1).

C. 16 bits is too short for an IPv4 address.

D. 64 bits is not the size of an IPv4 address.

Question 6 Computer Science

How many bits in IPv6

- A. 128 bits ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. 64 bits
- C. 24 bits
- D. 256 bits

A. Correct: an IPv6 address is 128 bits long, which is why it offers vastly more addresses than IPv4.

B. 64 bits is only half the length of an IPv6 address.

C. 24 bits is far too short for an IPv6 address.

D. 256 bits is double the length of an IPv6 address.

Question 7 Computer Science

Which MS-word feature is used to send multiple letters at one template?

- A. Mail merge ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Wizard
- C. template

A. Correct: mail merge combines one template letter with a list of names and addresses to produce many personalised letters.

B. A wizard guides you through a task step by step; it does not send many letters from one template.

C. A template is the letter itself; the feature that sends it to many people is mail merge.

D. A macro automates repeated actions; it is not the bulk-letter feature.

Question 8 Computer Science

Which protocol is used for secure data transfer?

- A. HTTP
- B. SMTP
- C. FTP
- D. HTTPS ✓ **Correct answer**

A. HTTP transfers web data without encryption; it is not secure.

B. SMTP sends email; it is not the secure web-transfer protocol.

C. FTP transfers files without encryption; it is not secure.

D. Correct: HTTPS is HTTP with encryption (SSL/TLS), the secure protocol for data transfer on the web.

Note: Note: PACE prints "SMPT"; the filed option carries the correct spelling "SMTP".

Question 9 Computer Science

The primary function of firewalls' is?

- A. Increased speed

tect against unauthorized access and threats ✓ **Correct answer**

- C. unauthorized access
- D. Print

A. A firewall does not speed up a network; it filters traffic.

B. Correct: a firewall guards a network by blocking unauthorised access and threats.

C. A firewall PREVENTS unauthorised access; it does not provide it.

D. Printing has nothing to do with a firewall.

Question 10 Computer Science

What is phishing is cyber security?

- A. Virus attack
- B. Social engineering attack ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Hardware fault
- D. Network error

A. A virus is malicious software; phishing is a trick played on people, not a virus.

B. Correct: phishing tricks people into giving away passwords or money by pretending to be trustworthy — a social engineering attack.

C. A hardware fault is a broken device; phishing is a deception.

D. A network error is a technical failure; phishing is a deception.

Question 11 Computer Science

What are Macros in MS Excel?

- A. Automated Scripts ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Formulas
- C. Charts

A. Correct: a macro is a recorded set of instructions (a script) that automates a repeated task in Excel.

B. Formulas calculate values in cells; they are not macros.

C. Charts draw graphs from data; they are not macros.

D. Tables organise data; they are not macros.

Question 12 Computer Science

Which topology has no central server?

- A. client-server
- B. peer-to-peer ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. star
- D. Ring

A. Client-server has a central server by definition.

B. Correct: in a peer-to-peer network every computer is equal and shares directly, with no central server.

C. A star network has a central hub or switch.

D. A ring network passes data around a loop; the question's "no central server" answer is peer-to-peer.

Question 13 Computer Science

Devops stands for?

- A. Development and Operations ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Debug and operating
- C. Design and operation

A. Correct: DevOps is the combination of software development (Dev) and IT operations (Ops).

B. Debugging is only a small part of development; this is not the expansion.

C. Design is not the "Dev" in DevOps; development is.

D. Data is not the "Dev" in DevOps; development is.

Note: Note: PACE prints "Development and operation"; the filed option carries the standard expansion "Development and Operations".

Question 14 Computer Science

Which one is Microsoft cloud storage service?

- A. Google drive
- B. One drive ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. iCloud
- D. Drop box

A. Google Drive is Google's cloud storage, not Microsoft's.

B. Correct: OneDrive is Microsoft's cloud storage service.

C. iCloud is Apple's cloud storage, not Microsoft's.

D. Dropbox is an independent company's service, not Microsoft's.

Note: Note: PACE prints "I cloud"; the filed option carries "iCloud".

Question 15 Computer Science

Which protocol is primary response for ensuring reliable data delivery?

- B. TCP ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. IP
- D. UDP

A. HTTP is a web protocol that runs on top of TCP; it does not itself guarantee reliable delivery.

B. Correct: TCP (Transmission Control Protocol) checks that data arrives completely and in order, re-sending what is lost.

C. IP only routes packets; it does not check that they arrive.

D. UDP sends data without checking delivery, so it is unreliable by design.

Question 16 Computer Science

Which Microsoft application is used for newsletters and desktop publishing?

- A. MS Word
- B. MS publisher ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. MS Excel
- D. MS PowerPoint

A. Word is for documents and letters, not desktop publishing.

B. Correct: Microsoft Publisher is designed for newsletters, brochures and desktop publishing.

C. Excel is for spreadsheets and numbers, not publishing.

D. PowerPoint is for slide presentations, not desktop publishing.

Question 17 General Knowledge

Sur range is associated with?

- B. Gold
- C. Iron
- D. Copper

A. Correct: the Sur range in Balochistan is known for its coal deposits.

B. The Sur range is not known for gold.

C. The Sur range is not known for iron.

D. The Sur range is not known for copper.

Question 18 General Science

Cosmic rays were discovered by:

- A. Victor Hess ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Marie Curie
- C. Niels Bohr
- D. Ernest Rutherford

A. Correct: Victor Hess discovered cosmic rays with balloon flights in 1912, for which he won the Nobel Prize.

B. Curie discovered radioactivity and radium, not cosmic rays.

C. Bohr built the model of the atom; he did not discover cosmic rays.

D. Rutherford discovered the atomic nucleus; he did not discover cosmic rays.

Question 19 General Science

Pressure of a gas at constant volume increases due to an increase in?

- A. Volume
- B. Temperature ✓ **Correct answer**

- D. Density

A. The volume is held constant in this question, so it cannot be the cause.

B. Correct: at constant volume, heating a gas makes its molecules move faster and hit the walls harder, so the pressure rises.

C. Adding mass (more gas) would raise the pressure, but the question asks what increase raises it at constant volume — temperature is the keyed answer.

D. Density follows from mass and volume, which are fixed here; temperature is the cause.

Note: Note: PACE prints "Valume"; the filed option carries "Volume".

Question 20 General Science

Which part of brain controls balance and coordination?

- A. Cerebrum
- B. Cerebellum ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Medulla
- D. Thalamus

A. The cerebrum handles thinking, memory and voluntary movement, not balance.

B. Correct: the cerebellum, at the back of the brain, controls balance, posture and coordination.

C. The medulla controls heartbeat and breathing, not balance.

D. The thalamus relays sensory signals; it does not control balance.

Question 21 General Science

Diamond is a?

ope

- B. Compound
- C. Mixture
- D. Allotropic form of Carbon ✓ **Correct answer**

A. An isotope is a variant of an element with a different number of neutrons; diamond is not an isotope.

B. A compound has two or more elements; diamond is pure carbon.

C. A mixture blends substances; diamond is a single pure form of carbon.

D. Correct: diamond is one of the allotropes (different structural forms) of carbon, the other being graphite.

Note: Note: PACE prints "Diamonds is a?"; the filed stem carries "Diamond is a?".

Question 22 General Science

Which substance is used in Pencil?

- A. Coal
- B. Graphite ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Sulfur
- D. Silicon

A. Coal is a fuel, not the writing material of a pencil.

B. Correct: a pencil's "lead" is graphite, a soft form of carbon that leaves a mark on paper.

C. Sulfur is a yellow chemical element; it is not used in pencils.

D. Silicon is used in chips and glass; it is not the pencil's writing material.

23 General Science

Who presented the scientific theory of Evolution?

- A. Mendel
- B. Lamarck
- C. Charles Darwin ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Wallace

A. Mendel presented the laws of heredity (genetics), not the theory of evolution.

B. Lamarck proposed an earlier theory of evolution (inheritance of acquired traits), but the scientific theory as accepted is Darwin's.

C. Correct: Charles Darwin presented the theory of evolution by natural selection in "On the Origin of Species" (1859).

D. Alfred Russel Wallace reached similar ideas independently, but Darwin is the one credited with presenting the theory.

Note: Note: PACE prints "Medell"; the filed option carries "Mendel".

Question 24

No answer is given for this question, and none is taught. PACE prints the Gamma-rays question TWICE (its Q24 and Q25, with different option sets, both keyed Paul Villard); GK360 prints it once. The question is served ONCE at Q25 below; this slot is not a separate question and no answer is asserted here. Decided by assistant under owner's 8 Nov 2026 delegation.

Question 25 General Science

Gamma rays were discovered by?

- A. Rontgen
- B. Becquerel

| Villard ✓ Correct answer

- D. Curie

A. Röntgen discovered X-rays, not gamma rays.

B. Becquerel discovered radioactivity, not gamma rays.

C. Correct: Paul Villard discovered gamma rays in 1900 while studying radiation from radium.

D. The Curies worked on radioactivity and radium, but gamma rays were discovered by Villard.

Note: Note: PACE prints this question twice (Q24 with the set "Paull villard / Bequeral / Henry vanstart / None of these", key A, and Q25 with this set, key C); both key Paul Villard. The filed set is Q25's; Q24 is the duplicate slot above.

Question 26 Urdu

ضرب المثل مکمل کریں: بچہ بغل میں ڈھنڈورا ___ میں

A. گھر

B. گاؤں

Correct answer ✓ C. شہر

D. بستی

A. The proverb does not use گھر.

B. The proverb does not use گاؤں.

C. Correct: "بچہ بغل میں ڈھنڈورا شہر میں" — the child is in your arms while you announce it in the city; it mocks looking far away for what is right beside you.

D. The proverb does not use بستی.

m is cleaned , بچہ بغل میں دھندورا ..... میں" **Note:** Note: PACE prints the stem as

Question 27 Urdu

وہ لفظ جس سے نہ کوئی اسم بنے اور نہ کوئی فعل، کہلاتا ہے:

•A. اسم معرفہ

Correct answer ✓ •B. اسم جامد

•C. اسم مشتق

•D. اسم مطلق

.is a proper noun; it is not defined by producing nothing اسم معرفہ **A.** An

is a word from which neither a noun nor a verb can be formed — it اسم جامد **B.** Correct: an

.stands alone, unchanging

.جامد is a derived noun, formed from another word — the opposite of اسم مشتق **C.** An

.is a general noun; it is not this definition اسم مطلق **D.** An

وہ لفظ جس" :PACE) **Note:** Note: the filed stem is cleaned; both reproductions print it garbled

.see verification summary — (سے نہ کوئی اسم اور نہ لفظ ہا ہو کہلاتا ہے:")

Question 28 Urdu

ضرب المثل مکمل کریں: غریب کی جورو سب کی ___

•A. بہن

•B. پھوپھی

Correct answer ✓ •C. بھابھی

•D. خالہ

overb does not use

.پھوپھی **B.** The proverb does not use

a poor man's wife is everyone's sister-in-law; it — "غریب کی جورو سب کی بھابھی" :**C.** Correct

.mocks how the weak are treated familiarly by all

.خالہ **D.** The proverb does not use

which is wrong — see verification ,خالہ **Note:** Note: the filed set is PACE's; GK360 keys

."بہن" the filed option carries ;"بھین" summary. PACE prints

Question 29 Urdu

جب میں نے اس سے سو روپے ادھار مانگے تو اس نے ہاتھ ___ کر دکھا دیے

A. کھول کر

B. کوئی نہیں

C. بند

Correct answer ✓ D. جھاڑ کر

A. Opening the hands would show willingness, not refusal.

B. Wrong: the idiom has a known completion.

.is not the idiom "ہاتھ بند کر دکھا دیے" .**C**

means to show empty hands — to refuse, saying there is "ہاتھ جھاڑ کر دکھا دینا" :**D.** Correct

.nothing to give

.....کر کر "جب میں نے اس سے سوروپے ادھار مانگتے تو اس نے ہاتھ **Note:** Note: PACE prints the stem as

.the filed stem and option are cleaned ;"جھاڑکر" and option D as "دکھا دیے

30 English

The Antonym of "Gumption" is?

- A. Intelligence
- B. Apathy ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Weakness
- D. Courage

A. Intelligence is close to gumption (resourcefulness), not its opposite.

B. Correct: gumption means initiative and drive; its opposite is apathy — not caring or doing nothing.

C. Weakness is about strength, not the opposite of initiative.

D. Courage is close to gumption, not its opposite.

Question 31 English

The Synonym of "Termagant" is?

- A. Calm
- B. Vixen ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Fear
- D. Shy

A. Calm is the opposite of a termagant, who is loud and scolding.

B. Correct: a termagant is a harsh, quarrelsome woman — a vixen (a shrew).

C. Fear is an emotion, not a synonym of termagant.

D. Shy is the opposite of a termagant's loud manner.

32 English

The antonym of "Malodorous"

- A. Fragrant ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Rotten
- C. Smelly
- D. Stinking

A. Correct: malodorous means bad-smelling; its opposite is fragrant — sweet-smelling.

B. Rotten is close to malodorous, not its opposite.

C. Smelly is close to malodorous, not its opposite.

D. Stinking is close to malodorous, not its opposite.

Question 33 English

Complete Analogy; Blind: Eye :: Deaf::_____?

- A. Mouth
- B. Nose
- C. Hand
- D. Ear ✓ **Correct answer**

A. A blind person lacks sight through the eye, not through the mouth.

B. The nose is for smell, not hearing.

C. The hand is for touch, not hearing.

D. Correct: blindness is the loss of the eye's function, and deafness is the loss of the ear's function.

34 English

Complete Analogy Arid: Parched :: Droughty

- A. Draft
- B. Earth
- C. Cow
- D. Dry ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Draft is a current of air or a sketch; it has nothing to do with drought.

B. Earth is the ground, not a synonym of droughty.

C. A cow is an animal; it has nothing to do with drought.

D. Correct: arid means parched, and droughty means dry — the analogy is word to synonym.

Question 35 English

Coif: Hair ::_____Musical (choose the word that best completes the comparison)

- A. Shower
- B. Close
- C. Praise
- D. Score ✓ **Correct answer**

A. A shower is not a musical arrangement.

B. Close is not a musical arrangement.

C. Praise is spoken approval, not a musical arrangement.

D. Correct: a coif is an arrangement of hair, and a score is an arrangement of music.

Note: Note: PACE prints "Colf"; the filed stem carries "Coif".

36 English

Choose the synonym of "Stubborn"

- A. Flexible
- B. Obstinate ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Cheerful
- D. Honest

A. Flexible is the opposite of stubborn.

B. Correct: stubborn and obstinate both mean refusing to change one's mind.

C. Cheerful is about mood, not stubbornness.

D. Honest is about truthfulness, not stubbornness.

Question 37 English

Fill in the blanks with correct preposition. He parted_____his family?

- A. with ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. to
- C. From
- D. At

A. Correct: "He parted with his family" — "part with" is the phrase used for leaving someone behind.

B. "Parted to his family" is not English.

C. "Parted from" is also used for people, but the keyed answer in both reproductions is "with".

D. "Parted at his family" is not English.

38 English

No man is ___ , entire of itself

- A. Pond
- B. lake
- C. sea
- D. Island ✓ **Correct answer**

A. The proverb does not use pond.

B. The proverb does not use lake.

C. The proverb does not use sea.

D. Correct: "No man is an island, entire of itself" — John Donne's line: no person stands alone; all are part of humanity.

Note: Note: PACE prints the stem as "No man is_____an entire of Itself is the complete proverb"; the filed stem carries the proverb's words.

Question 39 English

Complete the Sentence. We___ respect our elders

- A. Must
- B. Will
- C. Should ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Shall

A. "Must" makes it a strict compulsion; the sentence gives advice, so "should" fits better.

B. "Will" states a future fact, not the duty being expressed.

C. Correct: "We should respect our elders" — "should" expresses moral duty and advice.

D. "Shall" is a formal future marker, not the advice word needed here.

40 Mathematics

A firefighter's ladder of length 13 m was kept at a distance of 5 m from a building to reach a window on the building. At what height is the window from the ground?

- A. 10 m
- B. 15 m
- C. 12 m ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. 20 m

A. 10 m does not complete the 5-12-13 right triangle.

B. 15 m is longer than the ladder itself, which is impossible.

C. Correct: by Pythagoras, height = $\sqrt{(13^2 - 5^2)} = \sqrt{(169 - 25)} = \sqrt{144} = 12$ m.

D. 20 m is longer than the ladder itself, which is impossible.

Question 41 Mathematics

If the area of square is 64 cm², what is the area of the circle inscribed in it?

- A. 50.27 cm² ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. 54.24 cm²
- C. 44.24 cm²
- D. 24.27 cm²

A. Correct: the square's side is $\sqrt{64} = 8$ cm, so the inscribed circle has radius 4 cm and area $\pi \times 16 \approx 50.27$ cm².

B. Too large; the circle's area is about 50.27 cm².

C. Too small; the circle's area is about 50.27 cm².

D. Far too small; the circle's area is about 50.27 cm².

Note: Note: PACE prints "incribed"; the filed stem carries "inscribed".

42 Mathematics

Solve the equation $2x^2-3x-2=0$ what are the value of x?

- A. x=1,-2
- B. x=-1,2
- C. x=3,-1
- D. x=2,-1/2 ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Putting x = 1 gives $2 - 3 - 2 = -3$, not 0.

B. Putting x = −1 gives $2 + 3 - 2 = 3$, not 0.

C. Putting x = 3 gives $18 - 9 - 2 = 7$, not 0.

D. Correct: $2x^2 - 3x - 2 = (2x + 1)(x - 2) = 0$, so x = 2 or x = −1/2.

Question 43 Mathematics

If population is 8000 and 75% attended, how many did not attend?

- A. 1500
- B. 1800
- C. 2000 ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. 2500

A. 1500 is not 25% of 8000.

B. 1800 is not 25% of 8000.

C. Correct: 75% attended, so 25% did not attend: 25% of 8000 = 2000.

D. 2500 is not 25% of 8000.

Note: Note: PACE prints "ad" for "and"; the filed stem carries "and".

44 Mathematics

The point (-x,y) lies in which Quadrant?

- A. 1st
- B. 2nd ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. 3rd
- D. 4th

A. The 1st quadrant has both coordinates positive; −x is negative.

B. Correct: taking x as positive, −x is negative and y is positive, which is the 2nd quadrant (negative x, positive y).

C. The 3rd quadrant has both coordinates negative; y here is positive.

D. The 4th quadrant has positive x and negative y; here x is negative and y positive.

Note: Note: filed on the standard reading that x is positive — see verification summary. PACE prints "Quandrant" and "inn"; the filed stem carries "Quadrant" and "in".

Question 45 Mathematics

If the ratio of Sugar to Flour is 2:3 and sugar is 18, then flour is?

- A. 24
- B. 25
- C. 27 ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. 30

A. 24 would give a ratio of 18:24 = 3:4, not 2:3.

B. 25 does not keep the 2:3 ratio with 18.

C. Correct: sugar 18 = 2 × 9, so flour = 3 × 9 = 27.

D. 30 would give a ratio of 18:30 = 3:5, not 2:3.

PACE prints the ratio as "2:3", the filed stem carries "2:3".

Question 46 Current Affairs

Who helped stop the recent conflict between the United States and Iran?

- A. Saudi Arabia
- B. Turkey
- C. China
- D. Pakistan ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Saudi Arabia was not the mediator credited in this account.

B. Turkey was not the mediator credited in this account.

C. China was not the mediator credited in this account.

D. Correct: in the June 2025 de-escalation between the United States and Iran, Pakistan publicly claimed a mediating role, and both reproductions key Pakistan.

Note: Note: the question refers to the June 2025 de-escalation — see verification summary.

Question 47 Current Affairs

Who is the current President of World Bank recently visited Pakistan?

- A. Kristalina Georgieva
- B. Ajay Banga ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. David Malpass
- D. Jim Yong Kim

A. Georgieva is the Managing Director of the IMF, not the World Bank president.

B. Correct: Ajay Banga is the President of the World Bank (since June 2023) and visited Pakistan.

was the previous World Bank president (until 2023).

D. Kim was an earlier World Bank president (2012–2019).

Question 48 Current Affairs

Current Secretary of State of USA?

- A. Antony Blinken
- B. Marco Rubio ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Mike Pompeo
- D. John Kerry

A. Blinken was Secretary of State under Biden (2021–2025), not current at the exam date.

B. Correct: Marco Rubio became US Secretary of State in January 2025 and held the office at the exam date.

C. Pompeo was Secretary of State under Trump (2018–2021), not current.

D. Kerry was Secretary of State under Obama (2013–2017), not current.

Question 49 Current Affairs

Nicolás Maduro was the President of which country?

- A. Venezuela ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Colombia
- C. Canada
- D. Brazil

A. Correct: Nicolás Maduro was the President of Venezuela.

B. Colombia's president is not Maduro.

C. Canada's head of government is its prime minister, not Maduro.

esident is not Maduro.

Question 50 Current Affairs

Which country hosted the G20 Summit in 2023?

- A. China
- B. USA
- C. India ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Brazil

A. China hosted the G20 in 2016, not 2023.

B. The USA did not host the G20 in 2023.

C. Correct: India hosted the G20 Summit in New Delhi in September 2023.

D. Brazil hosted the G20 in 2024, not 2023.

Question 51 Pakistan Studies

As per 7th digital census 2023, population of Pakistan is?

- A. 220 million
- B. 241 million ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. 230 million
- D. 250 million

A. The 2017 census gave about 208 million; the 2023 census is higher than 220 million.

B. Correct: the 7th digital census (2023) counted Pakistan's population at about 241.5 million.

C. Below the 2023 census count of about 241 million.

D. Above the 2023 census count of about 241 million.

PACE prints "241.million", the filed option carries "241 million".

Question 52 Current Affairs

Which company owner purchased major shares of PIA recently?

- A. Malik Riaz
- B. Arif Habib ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Nasir Schon
- D. Mian Mansha

A. Malik Riaz did not purchase the major shares of PIA.

B. Correct: the Arif Habib consortium bought the major (75%) stake in Pakistan International Airlines in the 2025 privatisation.

C. Nasir Schon did not purchase the major shares of PIA.

D. Mian Mansha did not purchase the major shares of PIA.

Question 53 Pakistan Studies

Gwadar Port became operational in which year?

- A. 2014
- B. 2016 ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. 2015
- D. 2017

A. The port was not operational in 2014.

B. Correct: Gwadar Port became operational in 2016, when the first trade convoy under CPEC arrived and the port was formally opened for trade.

C. The port was not yet operational in 2015.

D. By 2017 the port had already been operating for a year.

Hume Dam is located on which river?

- A. Darling River
- B. Murrumbidgee River
- C. Murray River ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Lachlan River

A. The Hume Dam is not on the Darling River.

B. The Hume Dam is not on the Murrumbidgee River.

C. Correct: the Hume Dam stands on the Murray River in Australia (New South Wales–Victoria border).

D. The Hume Dam is not on the Lachlan River.

Question 55 Pakistan Studies

Hub Dam is located in which province?

- A. Sindh
- B. Punjab
- C. Balochistan ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. KPK

A. The Hub Dam sits on the Sindh–Balochistan border, but it is counted in Balochistan.

B. The Hub Dam is nowhere near Punjab.

C. Correct: the Hub Dam is in Lasbela district, Balochistan (on the Hub River at the Sindh border).

D. The Hub Dam is nowhere near Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.

56 Pakistan Studies

Which is the nearest country to Pakistan?

- A. Iraq
- B. Syria
- C. Tajikistan ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Uzbekistan

A. Iraq is far from Pakistan, beyond Iran.

B. Syria is far from Pakistan, beyond Iraq.

C. Correct: Tajikistan is the nearest of the four — only about 16 km away across the Wakhan corridor.

D. Uzbekistan is further away than Tajikistan.

Question 57 Islamiat

Which Surah of Holy Quran was recited by Hazrat Usman RA when he was martyred?

- A. Surah Al-Imran
- B. Surah al-Maidah
- C. Surah Al Imran
- D. Surah Al Baqarah ✓ **Correct answer**

A. Usman (RA) was not reciting Al-Imran when martyred.

B. Usman (RA) was not reciting Al-Maidah when martyred.

C. The same surah as option A; Usman (RA) was not reciting it when martyred.

D. Correct: Usman (RA) was reciting Surah Al-Baqarah when he was martyred, and his blood fell upon the verse "فَسَيَكْفِيكَهُمُ اللَّهُ".

options A and C both read Al-Imran in the reproduction; both are filed as printed.

Question 58 Islamiat

Who conquered Al-Natah Fort during the Battle of Khyber?

- A. Hazrat Umar RA
- B. Hazrat Ali RA ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Hazrat Usman RA
- D. Hazrat Abu Bakr RA

A. Umar (RA) did not conquer the Al-Natah fort at Khyber.

B. Correct: Hazrat Ali (RA) conquered the forts of Khyber, including Al-Natah, in 7 AH.

C. Usman (RA) did not conquer the Al-Natah fort at Khyber.

D. Abu Bakr (RA) did not conquer the Al-Natah fort at Khyber.

Note: Note: PACE prints "Hazrat Umar RA." with a stray full stop; the filed option drops it.

Question 59 Islamiat

In the Indian subcontinent, the Holy Qur'an was first translated into which language?

- A. Arabic
- B. Persian ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. English
- D. Sindhi

A. Arabic is the Qur'an's original language, not its first translation in the subcontinent.

B. Correct: the Qur'an was first translated in the Indian subcontinent into Persian (Shah Waliullah's Persian translation, building on earlier Persian renderings).

C. English translations came much later.

i translation came later than the Persian one.

Question 60 Islamiat

اسلام میں آقا اور غلام کے درمیان آزادی کے لیے ہونے والے معاہدے کو کہتے ہیں ؟

- **Correct answer** ✓ A. مکاتبت
- B. نذر
- C. باندی
- D. ان میں کوئی نہیں

A. Correct: مکاتبت is the contract by which a slave buys his freedom from his master in instalments.

B. نذر is a vow, not a freedom contract.

C. باندی means a slave-girl, not the contract.

D. Wrong: مکاتبت is the answer.

Note: Note: PACE prints "معائدے"; the filed stem carries "معاہدے".

Question 61 Islamiat

Which was prohibited after the promulgation of Islam?

- A. Hajj
- B. Fasting
- C. Usury ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. Zakat

A. Hajj was made obligatory, not prohibited.

as made obligatory, not prohibited.

C. Correct: usury (interest, riba) was prohibited in Islam.

D. Zakat was made obligatory, not prohibited.

Question 62 Pakistan Studies

Which fertilizer company of Pakistan can produce 34% nitrogen fertilizer?

- A. Engro
- B. Fatima Fertilizer ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. FFC
- D. Pak Arab

A. Engro is a major fertilizer maker, but the 34% nitrogen fertilizer is keyed to Fatima Fertilizer.

B. Correct: Fatima Fertilizer is the company keyed in both reproductions for the 34% nitrogen fertilizer.

C. Fauji Fertilizer Company is a major maker, but the 34% nitrogen fertilizer is keyed to Fatima Fertilizer.

D. Pak Arab is a fertilizer maker, but the 34% nitrogen fertilizer is keyed to Fatima Fertilizer.

Question 63 Pakistan Studies

Islam was declared state religion in which constitution of Pakistan?

- A. 1956 constitution
- B. 1962 constitution
- C. 1973 constitution ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. 2010 constitution

Constitution named Pakistan the Islamic Republic but did not declare Islam the state religion in the same way.

B. The 1962 Constitution did not declare Islam the state religion.

C. Correct: the 1973 Constitution declares Islam the state religion of Pakistan (Article 2).

D. There was no constitution of 2010 (the 18th Amendment was passed in 2010).

Question 64 Pakistan Studies

Official Name of Pakistan as per 1956 Constitution

- A. Republic of Pakistan
- B. Islamic Republic of Pakistan ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Dominion of Pakistan
- D. State of Pakistan

A. The 1956 Constitution did not name the country simply "Republic of Pakistan".

B. Correct: under the 1956 Constitution the country's official name became the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.

C. "Dominion of Pakistan" was the name from 1947 until the 1956 Constitution.

D. "State of Pakistan" was never the constitutional name.

Question 65 Pakistan Studies

When were non-party based elections held in Pakistan?

- A. 1980
- B. 1983
- C. 1985 ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. 1988

A. No general elections were held in 1980.

al elections were held in 1985.

C. Correct: the 1985 general elections were held on a non-party basis under General Zia-ul-Haq.

D. The 1988 elections were held on a party basis.

Question 66 Pakistan Studies

When were the first general elections held in Pakistan?

- A. 1970 ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. 1985
- C. 1988
- D. 1990

A. Correct: Pakistan's first general elections (on adult franchise) were held in December 1970.

B. The 1985 elections were not the first general elections.

C. The 1988 elections were not the first general elections.

D. The 1990 elections were not the first general elections.

Question 67 Pakistan Studies

How many members of Pakistan in the senate?

- A. 96 ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. 88
- C. 92
- D. 104

A. Correct: the Senate of Pakistan has 96 members (after the 25th Amendment reduced it from 104).

e does not have 88 members.

C. The Senate does not have 92 members.

D. 104 was the Senate's strength before the 25th Amendment; it is now 96.

Note: Note: PACE prints the stem as "How many members of Pakistan in the senate?"; the filed stem is cleaned.

Question 68 Pakistan Studies

Fatima Jinnah died in which year?

- A. 1965
- B. 1966
- C. 1967 ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. 1968

A. Fatima Jinnah contested the 1965 presidential election; she did not die that year.

B. Fatima Jinnah did not die in 1966.

C. Correct: Fatima Jinnah died on 9 July 1967 in Karachi.

D. Fatima Jinnah had already died by 1968.

Question 69 Pakistan Studies

Which constitution was adopted by Pakistan at the time of Independence?

- A. 1956 Constitution
- B. 1962 Constitution
- C. Government of India act 1935 and Indian Independence act 1947 ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. 1973 Constitution

A. The 1956 Constitution came nine years after independence.

Constitution came fifteen years after independence.

C. Correct: at independence Pakistan adopted the Government of India Act 1935 (as adapted) under the Indian Independence Act 1947 as its interim constitution.

D. The 1973 Constitution came twenty-six years after independence.

Note: Note: PACE prints "al the time"; the filed stem carries "at the time".

Question 70 Current Affairs

Bondi Beach attack: Naveed Akram was from which country?

- A. Pakistan
- B. India ✓ **Correct answer**
- C. Morocco
- D. USA

A. Naveed Akram was not born in Pakistan.

B. Filed: Naveed Akram was born in Hyderabad, India, and later became an Australian citizen — filed on the birthplace/origin reading.

C. Naveed Akram was not from Morocco.

D. Naveed Akram was not from the USA.

Note: Note: PACE keys A (Australia) with the set Australia / India / Morocco / USA — the citizenship reading; GK360 keys B (India) with this set — the birthplace reading. Filed B (India); both readings are recorded — see verification summary.

Question 71 General Knowledge

Which of the following countries belongs to both the Scandinavian and Nordic region?

- A. Finland
- B. Uruguay

way ✓ **Correct answer**

- D. Estonia

A. Finland is a Nordic country but not a Scandinavian one (Scandinavia is Denmark, Norway and Sweden).

B. Uruguay is in South America, in neither region.

C. Correct: Norway is both Scandinavian (Denmark, Norway, Sweden) and Nordic (those three plus Finland and Iceland).

D. Estonia is neither Scandinavian nor Nordic.

Question 72 General Knowledge

Bandung Conference 1955 was held in which country?

- A. Pakistan
- B. India
- C. Indonesia ✓ **Correct answer**
- D. China

A. Pakistan attended the Bandung Conference but did not host it.

B. India attended the Bandung Conference but did not host it.

C. Correct: the Bandung Conference of 1955 was held in Bandung, Indonesia.

D. China attended the Bandung Conference but did not host it.

Question 73 General Science

Which substance dissolves readily in water:

- A. Alcohol ✓ **Correct answer**
- B. Oil
- C. Petrol

A. Correct: alcohol (ethanol) mixes with water in all proportions — it dissolves readily because it forms hydrogen bonds with water.

B. Oil does not dissolve in water; it floats on top.

C. Petrol does not dissolve in water; it floats on top.

D. Wax does not dissolve in water.

Note: Note: served from GK360 only; its position in the paper is not established by PACE, so it is appended as Q73 — see verification summary.

Question 74 Urdu

میرے کئی کھانا کھا رہا ہے: اس کا درست معنی ہے:

Correct answer ✓ A. خورد برد کرنا

B. امیر ہونا

C. تعلق بنانا

D. دھوکہ کھانا

A. Correct: the idiom means to embezzle or misappropriate — to eat up what belongs to others.

B. The idiom is not about becoming rich.

C. The idiom is not about making a relationship.

D. The idiom is about misusing funds, not about being deceived.

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garbled as printed, it is filed as printed ."خورد برد کرنا" the filed option carries

Question 75 Urdu

کسی جملے میں سوال پوچھنے کے لیے کونسی علامت استعمال ہوتی ہے:

A. وقفہ

Correct answer ✓ B. استفہامیہ

C. فجائیہ

D. ندائیہ

A. وقفہ (pause) is not the mark used for asking a question.

B. Correct: the استفہامیہ (question mark, ؟) is the mark used when asking a question.

C. فجائیہ (exclamation mark) is used for surprise or strong feeling, not for questions.

D. ندائیہ is the mark used for calling or addressing someone, not for questions.

Note: Note: served from GK360 only; its position in the paper is not established by PACE, so it is appended as Q75 — see verification summary.

Question 76 Urdu

جب کسی بڑے جملے کو چھوٹے حصوں میں تقسیم کرنا ہو تو کونسی علامت استعمال کرتے ہیں:

A. سکتہ

B. وقفہ

No answer is given for this question, and none is taught. DEFECTIVE — EXCLUDED, no answer taught (decided by assistant under owner's 8 Nov delegation: the reproduction prints only 2 of the 4 options (وقفہ / سکتہ); the full option set is unrecoverable, and

cannot be invented, so no answer is asserted.)

Question 77 Urdu

اصطلاح میں شاعری یا نثر میں دو چیزوں کو اکٹھا کر کے ان کو الگ الگ وضاحت کرنا علمِ بیان کی قسم کہلاتی ہے:

A. صنعت تجنیس

B. صنعت ایہام

Correct answer ✓ C. لف و نشر

D. صنعت تضاد

A. تجنیس is the use of words that sound alike with different meanings; it is not this device.

B. ایہام is ambiguity — a word carrying two meanings at once; it is not this device.

C. لف و نشر: Correct is the device in which two things are mentioned together and then each is explained separately.

D. تضاد is the use of opposites; it is not this device.

Note: Note: served from GK360 only; its position in the paper is not established by PACE, so it is appended as Q77 — see verification summary. GK360 prints the filed stem "علم بیاں"; "علمِ بیان" carries.

Question 78 Urdu

پڑھے لکھے نام جو فاضل ضرب المثل کا درست مطلب ہے:

A. قریے سے مطلب پہچان لینا

B. بڑے آدمیوں کی بات مان لینا

Correct answer ✓ C. کچھ نہ جاننے کے باوجود عقلی بننے کا

ع .D•

A. Not the meaning of this saying.

B. Not the meaning of this saying.

C. Correct: "پڑھے لکھے نام جو فاضل" mocks one who, knowing nothing, still acts the wise man — an educated fool.

D. Not the meaning of this saying.

Note: Note: served from GK360 only; its position in the paper is not established by PACE, so it is appended as Q78 — see verification summary. Options A and D are garbled as printed; they are filed as printed.

Question 79 Urdu

نظم بروز میں "بروز" گرامر کی رو سے ہے:

A. سابقہ

B. فعل

Correct answer ✓ C. لاحقہ

D. صفت

A. A سابقہ (prefix) comes before a word; بروز comes after, so it is not a prefix.

B. بروز is not a verb.

C. Correct: بروز ("meaning "on the day of) is a لاحقہ — a suffix attached after a word.

D. بروز is not an adjective.

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nded as Q79 — see verification summary.

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