

Intelligence Bureau (IB) - Assistant Director Written Test 2024

Model Paper (based on frequently asked questions) • 50 MCQs • Time: 60 minutes

The correct option for every question is bolded and marked with a check.

Q1. Which humanitarian organization, founded in Switzerland, is known for its work in conflict zones and war victim protection?

- ✓ (A) **International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC)**
- (B) UNICEF
- (C) WHO
- (D) UNHCR

Q2. Allama Iqbal delivered his famous Allahabad Address in:

- ✓ (B) **1930**
- (A) 1928
- (C) 1935
- (D) 1940

Q3. Khutbah Hajjatul Wida was delivered at:

- ✓ (C) **Arafat (Jabal-ur-Rahmah)**
- (A) Mina
- (B) Muzdalifah
- (D) Kaaba

Q4. Who serves as US Vice President as of 2026?

- ✓ (A) **JD Vance**
- (B) Kamala Harris
- (C) Mike Pence
- (D) Marco Rubio

Q5. Which crisis emerged following regional tensions in 2026, affecting shipping and fuel supplies through a key maritime chokepoint?

- ✓ (A) **The 2026 Strait of Hormuz crisis**
- (B) The Suez Canal blockage (a separate, earlier event)
- (C) The Panama Canal drought crisis (a separate, earlier event)
- (D) The Bosphorus Strait crisis (not the primary chokepoint involved)

Q6. Which US President is associated with the Watergate scandal and subsequent resignation?

- ✓ (A) **Richard Nixon**
- (B) Gerald Ford
- (C) Jimmy Carter
- (D) Lyndon Johnson

Q7. The largest archipelago in the world is:

- ✓ (C) **Indonesia**
- (A) Philippines
- (B) Japan
- (D) Maldives

Q8. The powerhouse of the cell is the:

- ✓ (B) **Mitochondria**
- (A) Nucleus
- (C) Ribosome
- (D) Cell wall

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Q9. The Thar Desert is mainly located in which province?

- (A) Punjab
- (B) Balochistan
- ✓ (C) **Sindh**
- (D) Khyber Pakhtunkhwa

Q10. Haemoglobin is found in:

- (A) White blood cells
- ✓ (B) **Red blood cells**
- (C) Platelets
- (D) Plasma

Q11. Choose the synonym of 'Abandon':

- (A) Keep
- ✓ (B) **Leave**
- (C) Hold
- (D) Protect

Q12. Which empire, centered in Istanbul (Constantinople), lasted for several centuries until its dissolution after WWI?

- ✓ (A) **Ottoman Empire**
- (B) Roman Empire
- (C) Persian Empire
- (D) Mongol Empire

Q13. Choose the antonym of 'Scarcity':

- (A) Shortage
- ✓ (B) **Abundance**
- (C) Poverty
- (D) Famine

Q14. The Regional Cooperation for Development (RCD) was established in 1964 between:

- ✓ (A) **Pakistan, Iran, Turkey**
- (B) Pakistan, Iran, Afghanistan
- (C) Pakistan, Turkey, Saudi Arabia
- (D) Pakistan, Iran, Iraq

Q15. USB stands for:

- ✓ (A) **Universal Serial Bus**
- (B) United Serial Bus
- (C) Universal System Board
- (D) Unique Serial Base

Q16. Which US immigration facility, nicknamed 'Alligator Alcatraz', was toured by President Trump in mid-2025?

- ✓ (A) **A detention facility in the Florida Everglades**
- (B) A facility in Texas
- (C) A facility in California
- (D) A facility in Arizona

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Q17. The Constitution of 1973 was enforced on:

- (A) 23 March 1973
- ✓ (B) **14 August 1973**
- (C) 6 September 1973
- (D) 1 January 1974

Q18. If it rains, we _____ at home.

- (A) stayed
- ✓ (B) **will stay**
- (C) would stay
- (D) stay

Q19. She sings 'beautifully'. The underlined word is a/an:

- (A) Adjective
- ✓ (B) **Adverb**
- (C) Noun
- (D) Pronoun

Q20. Which organization, headquartered in Basel, coordinates cooperation among central banks worldwide?

- ✓ (A) **Bank for International Settlements (BIS)**
- (B) IMF
- (C) World Bank
- (D) WTO

Q21. An earthquake is measured by a:

- (A) Barometer
- ✓ (B) **Seismograph**
- (C) Thermometer
- (D) Lactometer

Q22. The Durand Line is the border between Pakistan and:

- (A) India
- (B) Iran
- (C) China
- ✓ (D) **Afghanistan**

Q23. Which international body organizes the Rugby World Cup?

- ✓ (A) **World Rugby**
- (B) FIFA
- (C) IOC
- (D) ICC

Q24. Light from the Sun reaches Earth in about:

- (A) 8 seconds
- ✓ (B) **8 minutes**
- (C) 8 hours
- (D) 80 minutes

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Q25. The brain of the computer is the:

- (A) Monitor
- ✓ (B) CPU
- (C) Keyboard
- (D) Mouse

Q26. Which international body's Director General, Rafael Grossi, was also a nominee for UN Secretary-General in 2026?

- ✓ (A) International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA)
- (B) World Health Organization
- (C) World Trade Organization
- (D) World Bank

Q27. The Pakistani flag's green color represents:

- (A) Agriculture
- ✓ (B) The Muslim majority
- (C) Prosperity
- (D) The Army

Q28. The square root of 169 is:

- (A) 11
- (B) 12
- ✓ (C) 13
- (D) 14

Q29. Which Portuguese footballer is widely regarded as one of the greatest, known for a prolific goal-scoring career?

- ✓ (A) Cristiano Ronaldo
- (B) Lionel Messi
- (C) Pele
- (D) Zinedine Zidane

Q30. Programs and applications are collectively called:

- (A) Hardware
- ✓ (B) Software
- (C) Firmware only
- (D) Devices

Q31. The idiom 'to throw down the gauntlet' means:

- (A) To give up
- ✓ (B) To issue a challenge
- (C) To show mercy
- (D) To act carelessly

Q32. Deficiency of which vitamin causes scurvy?

- (A) Vitamin A
- (B) Vitamin B12
- ✓ (C) Vitamin C
- (D) Vitamin K

Q33. Choose the synonym of 'Purchase':

- (A) Sell
- ✓ (B) **Buy**
- (C) Lend
- (D) Borrow

Q34. What is the capital of Morocco?

- (A) Casablanca
- ✓ (B) **Rabat**
- (C) Marrakesh
- (D) Fez

Q35. Which German Chancellor preceded the 2025 change in leadership, serving from 2021 to 2025?

- ✓ (A) **Olaf Scholz**
- (B) Angela Merkel
- (C) Friedrich Merz
- (D) Gerhard Schroder

Q36. The idiom 'break the ice' means:

- (A) To destroy something
- ✓ (B) **To start a conversation**
- (C) To cool down
- (D) To end a meeting

Q37. Which sport, played primarily in the US, Japan, and Latin America, features innings, bats, and a diamond-shaped field?

- ✓ (A) **Baseball**
- (B) Cricket
- (C) Softball (a related but distinct sport)
- (D) Rounders (a related but distinct sport)

Q38. Which is the lightest gas?

- (A) Oxygen
- (B) Nitrogen
- ✓ (C) **Hydrogen**
- (D) Helium

Q39. The keyboard shortcut to undo the last action is:

- (A) Ctrl + U
- (B) Ctrl + Y
- ✓ (C) **Ctrl + Z**
- (D) Ctrl + X

Q40. Which company, led by Elon Musk, is a major player in electric vehicles?

- ✓ (A) **Tesla**
- (B) Ford
- (C) General Motors
- (D) Toyota

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Q41. The national language of Pakistan is:

- (A) Punjabi
- (B) English
- ✓ (C) Urdu
- (D) Sindhi

Q42. Which physicist, working at Los Alamos, is often referred to as the 'father of the atomic bomb'?

- ✓ (A) J. Robert Oppenheimer
- (B) Albert Einstein
- (C) Enrico Fermi
- (D) Niels Bohr

Q43. Which treaty formally ended World War I in 1919?

- ✓ (A) Treaty of Versailles
- (B) Treaty of Paris
- (C) Treaty of Westphalia
- (D) Treaty of Tordesillas

Q44. The Government of India Act 1935 introduced:

- (A) Separate electorates
- ✓ (B) Provincial autonomy
- (C) The partition of Bengal
- (D) Diarchy at the centre only

Q45. Which symbol is always part of an email address?

- (A) #
- ✓ (B) @
- (C) &
- (D) %

Q46. The ruins of Mohenjo-daro are located in which district?

- (A) Multan
- ✓ (B) Larkana
- (C) Hyderabad
- (D) Sukkur

Q47. HTML is mainly used for:

- (A) Editing photos
- ✓ (B) Creating web pages
- (C) Scanning viruses
- (D) Managing files

Q48. Choose the synonym of 'Abundant':

- (A) Scarce
- ✓ (B) Plentiful
- (C) Rare
- (D) Empty

Q49. The circling of the Kaaba is called:

- (A) Sa'i
- ✓ (B) Tawaf
- (C) Rami
- (D) Qurbani

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Q50. The abbreviation 'etc.' stands for:

✓ **(A) Etcetera**

(B) End of the chapter

(C) Extra terms considered

(D) Et cetera only in Latin