

PPSC (Punjab Public Service Commission) - Assistant Written Test 2021

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

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Q1. Allama Iqbal was born in:

- (A) Lahore
- (B) Karachi
- ✓ (C) Sialkot
- (D) Multan

Q2. In MS Excel, a complete file containing one or more sheets is called a:

- (A) Worksheet
- ✓ (B) Workbook
- (C) Database
- (D) Document

Q3. The longest river in the world is the:

- (A) Amazon
- ✓ (B) Nile
- (C) Indus
- (D) Yangtze

Q4. The idiom 'at the eleventh hour' means:

- (A) Early morning
- ✓ (B) At the last moment
- (C) Before noon
- (D) Late night

Q5. No sooner had she entered _____ the phone rang.

- (A) when
- ✓ (B) than
- (C) then
- (D) that

Q6. Which body administers the Nobel Prizes, based in Sweden (with the Peace Prize awarded separately in Norway)?

- ✓ (A) The Nobel Foundation (Sweden), with the Peace Prize administered in Norway
- (B) United Nations
- (C) European Union
- (D) World Economic Forum

Q7. Who is the current Prime Minister of India?

- ✓ (A) Narendra Modi
- (B) Rahul Gandhi
- (C) Manmohan Singh
- (D) Amit Shah

Q8. The Simla Agreement of 1972 was signed by Zulfikar Ali Bhutto and:

- (A) Jawaharlal Nehru
- ✓ (B) Indira Gandhi
- (C) Morarji Desai
- (D) Rajiv Gandhi

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Q9. In the sequence 81, 27, 9, ... the number that comes after 9 is:

- (A) 6
- ✓ (B) **3**
- (C) 1
- (D) 0

Q10. Choose the antonym of 'Transparent':

- (A) Clear
- ✓ (B) **Opaque**
- (C) Bright
- (D) Thin

Q11. The Statue of Liberty is located in which city?

- (A) Washington D.C.
- (B) Los Angeles
- ✓ (C) **New York**
- (D) Chicago

Q12. The Faisal Mosque, one of the largest mosques in the world, is located in:

- (A) Lahore
- (B) Karachi
- ✓ (C) **Islamabad**
- (D) Multan

Q13. Wi-Fi is used for:

- (A) Wired connection
- ✓ (B) **Wireless internet connection**
- (C) Printing
- (D) Scanning

Q14. The third Caliph of Islam was:

- (A) Hazrat Ali (RA)
- (B) Hazrat Umar (RA)
- ✓ (C) **Hazrat Usman (RA)**
- (D) Hazrat Hamza (RA)

Q15. The Quran was first compiled into one book in the era of:

- (A) The Prophet (PBUH)
- ✓ (B) **Hazrat Abu Bakr (RA)**
- (C) Hazrat Umar (RA)
- (D) Hazrat Ali (RA)

Q16. Which explorer's 1492 voyage led to European contact with the Americas?

- ✓ (A) **Christopher Columbus**
- (B) Vasco da Gama
- (C) Ferdinand Magellan
- (D) Marco Polo

Q17. The superlative degree of 'good' is:

- (A) Gooder
- (B) Better
- ✓ (C) **Best**
- (D) Goodest

Q18. Which private aerospace company, also led by Elon Musk, develops rockets and spacecraft, including the Falcon and Starship?

- ✓ (A) **SpaceX**
- (B) Blue Origin
- (C) Virgin Galactic
- (D) Boeing

Q19. A number increased by 20% becomes 240. The number is:

- (A) 180
- (B) 192
- ✓ (C) **200**
- (D) 220

Q20. How many colors are there in a rainbow?

- (A) 5
- (B) 6
- ✓ (C) **7**
- (D) 8

Q21. Which of the following memories is non-volatile (keeps data without power)?

- (A) RAM
- (B) Cache
- ✓ (C) **ROM**
- (D) Registers

Q22. The unit used to measure electrical resistance is the:

- (A) Volt
- (B) Ampere
- ✓ (C) **Ohm**
- (D) Watt

Q23. In an exam of 150 marks, a student got 60%. His marks are:

- (A) 80
- (B) 85
- ✓ (C) **90**
- (D) 95

Q24. Light from the Sun reaches Earth in about:

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

Q25. The deepest ocean point, the Mariana Trench, is in the:

- (A) Atlantic
- (B) Indian
- ✓ (C) **Pacific**
- (D) Arctic

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- (A) Hazrat Nuh (AS)
- ✓ (B) **Hazrat Adam (AS)**
- (C) Hazrat Ibrahim (AS)
- (D) Hazrat Musa (AS)

Q27. After a 20% discount, the price paid for a Rs. 1,500 item is:

- (A) Rs. 1,100
- ✓ (B) **Rs. 1,200**
- (C) Rs. 1,250
- (D) Rs. 1,300

Q28. Which Indian independence leader is often referred to as 'Mahatma', meaning 'great soul'?

- ✓ (A) **Mahatma Gandhi**
- (B) Jawaharlal Nehru
- (C) Subhas Chandra Bose
- (D) Sardar Patel

Q29. Who led the Chinese Communist Party to victory in 1949 and became the first leader of the People's Republic of China?

- ✓ (A) **Mao Zedong**
- (B) Chiang Kai-shek
- (C) Deng Xiaoping
- (D) Sun Yat-sen

Q30. The national fruit of Pakistan is the:

- (A) Apple
- ✓ (B) **Mango**
- (C) Orange
- (D) Guava

Q31. Pakistan came into being on:

- (A) 23 March 1940
- ✓ (B) **14 August 1947**
- (C) 15 August 1947
- (D) 27 October 1947

Q32. Which wall, symbolizing the Cold War divide, fell in 1989?

- ✓ (A) **Berlin Wall**
- (B) Great Wall of China
- (C) Hadrian's Wall
- (D) Western Wall

Q33. What is the capital of Finland?

- (A) Tampere
- ✓ (B) **Helsinki**
- (C) Turku
- (D) Espoo

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Q34. Faisalabad was formerly known as:

- (A) Montgomery
- ✓ (B) Lyallpur
- (C) Campbellpur
- (D) Jacobabad

Q35. Which crisis in 1956 involved Egypt's nationalization of a major shipping canal, prompting international conflict?

- ✓ (A) Suez Crisis
- (B) Cuban Missile Crisis
- (C) Berlin Crisis
- (D) Yom Kippur War

Q36. How many Sahifas (scriptures) were revealed to Hazrat Ibrahim (AS)?

- ✓ (A) 10
- (B) 20
- (C) 30
- (D) 50

Q37. Which entrepreneur co-founded Microsoft and later became known for global philanthropic work?

- ✓ (A) Bill Gates
- (B) Steve Jobs
- (C) Mark Zuckerberg
- (D) Jeff Bezos

Q38. Who gave the name 'Pakistan' in the pamphlet 'Now or Never'?

- (A) Allama Iqbal
- ✓ (B) Chaudhry Rehmat Ali
- (C) Quaid-e-Azam
- (D) Sir Agha Khan

Q39. The well of Zamzam is located in:

- (A) Madinah
- (B) Mina
- ✓ (C) Makkah
- (D) Arafat

Q40. Which country hosted the 2023 Rugby World Cup?

- ✓ (A) France
- (B) New Zealand
- (C) England
- (D) South Africa

Q41. Which regional development bank primarily finances projects across Asia, of which Pakistan is a member?

- ✓ (A) Asian Development Bank (ADB)
- (B) World Bank (global, not regional)
- (C) African Development Bank
- (D) Inter-American Development Bank

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Q42. Which country's civil war led to the fall of the Assad government in a major shift in late 2024?

- ✓ (A) Syria
- (B) Yemen
- (C) Libya
- (D) Iraq

Q43. Choose the antonym of 'Zenith':

- (A) Peak
- (B) Summit
- ✓ (C) Nadir
- (D) Apex

Q44. Which UN body is primarily responsible for maintaining international peace and security?

- ✓ (A) UN Security Council
- (B) UN General Assembly
- (C) UN Secretariat
- (D) ECOSOC

Q45. The Holy Prophet (PBUH) was born in:

- (A) Madinah
- ✓ (B) Makkah
- (C) Taif
- (D) Jeddah

Q46. Gwadar deep-sea port has been developed mainly with the assistance of:

- (A) Saudi Arabia
- (B) Turkey
- ✓ (C) China
- (D) UAE

Q47. Which Chinese space agency oversees the country's expanding space program, including lunar missions?

- ✓ (A) China National Space Administration (CNSA)
- (B) ESA
- (C) NASA
- (D) Roscosmos

Q48. The human body's longest bone is the:

- (A) Tibia
- ✓ (B) Femur
- (C) Humerus
- (D) Fibula

Q49. Water boils at what temperature (at sea level)?

- (A) 50°C
- (B) 90°C
- ✓ (C) 100°C
- (D) 120°C

Q50. Which US benchmark commodity is also commonly used to price crude oil?

- ✓ **(A) West Texas Intermediate (WTI)**
- (B) Brent Crude (a separate international benchmark)
- (C) Gold bullion
- (D) Natural gas futures