

PPSC (Punjab Public Service Commission) - Junior Clerk Written Test 2024

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

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Q1. Penicillin was discovered by:

- (A) Louis Pasteur
- ✓ (B) **Alexander Fleming**
- (C) Edward Jenner
- (D) Marie Curie

Q2. The famous painting 'Mona Lisa' was created by:

- (A) Michelangelo
- ✓ (B) **Leonardo da Vinci**
- (C) Picasso
- (D) Van Gogh

Q3. What is the official currency of China?

- ✓ (A) **Renminbi (Yuan)**
- (B) Yen
- (C) Won
- (D) Ringgit

Q4. What is the capital of Canada?

- (A) Toronto
- ✓ (B) **Ottawa**
- (C) Vancouver
- (D) Montreal

Q5. What is the capital of Sweden?

- (A) Gothenburg
- ✓ (B) **Stockholm**
- (C) Malmo
- (D) Uppsala

Q6. This is _____ university.

- ✓ (A) **a**
- (B) an
- (C) the
- (D) no article

Q7. 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

Q8. The iPhone is manufactured by which company?

- (A) Samsung
- ✓ (B) **Apple**
- (C) Google
- (D) Nokia

Q9. Deficiency of Vitamin D causes:

- (A) Scurvy
- ✓ (B) **Rickets**
- (C) Beri-beri
- (D) Goitre

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Q10. How many millimetres are there in one metre?

- (A) 10
- (B) 100
- ✓ (C) **1,000**
- (D) 10,000

Q11. How many sides does a hexagon have?

- (A) 5
- ✓ (B) **6**
- (C) 7
- (D) 8

Q12. Which space telescope, launched in 2021, is designed to observe the universe primarily in infrared light?

- ✓ (A) **James Webb Space Telescope**
- (B) Hubble Space Telescope (an earlier telescope)
- (C) Kepler Space Telescope (a different mission)
- (D) Spitzer Space Telescope (a different mission)

Q13. Choose the antonym of 'Import':

- ✓ (A) **Export**
- (B) Trade
- (C) Transport
- (D) Deport

Q14. An even number is always divisible by:

- ✓ (A) **2**
- (B) 3
- (C) 5
- (D) 7

Q15. Ghazwa Tabuk took place in:

- (A) 7 AH
- (B) 8 AH
- ✓ (C) **9 AH**
- (D) 10 AH

Q16. Which Formula 1 driver has won a record number of World Championship titles, tied with or surpassing earlier legends?

- ✓ (A) **Lewis Hamilton, among top contenders like Michael Schumacher**
- (B) Only Michael Schumacher holds any record in F1
- (C) Only Ayrton Senna holds any record in F1
- (D) Only Sebastian Vettel holds any record in F1

Q17. The First Round Table Conference was held in London in:

- (A) 1928
- ✓ (B) **1930**
- (C) 1932
- (D) 1935

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Q18. The national tree of Pakistan is the:

- (A) Neem
- ✓ (B) **Deodar**
- (C) Banyan
- (D) Pine

Q19. The first Prime Minister to visit China from Pakistan was:

- (A) Liaquat Ali Khan
- ✓ (B) **Huseyn Shaheed Suhrawardy**
- (C) Z.A. Bhutto
- (D) Muhammad Ali Bogra

Q20. 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

Q21. Zaboor (the Psalms) was revealed to:

- (A) Hazrat Musa (AS)
- ✓ (B) **Hazrat Dawood (AS)**
- (C) Hazrat Isa (AS)
- (D) Hazrat Ibrahim (AS)

Q22. What is the capital of the Netherlands?

- (A) Rotterdam
- ✓ (B) **Amsterdam**
- (C) The Hague (seat of government)
- (D) Utrecht

Q23. How many colors are there in a rainbow?

- (A) 5
- (B) 6
- ✓ (C) **7**
- (D) 8

Q24. The number 0.5×0.5 equals:

- (A) 0.10
- ✓ (B) **0.25**
- (C) 0.50
- (D) 1.00

Q25. Which Soviet leader led the USSR during World War II?

- ✓ (A) **Joseph Stalin**
- (B) Vladimir Lenin
- (C) Nikita Khrushchev
- (D) Mikhail Gorbachev

Q26. The Farewell Sermon (Khutbah of Hajjat-ul-Wida) was delivered at:

- (A) Mina
- (B) Muzdalifah
- ✓ (C) **Arafat**
- (D) Quba

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- ✓ (A) **Adolf Hitler**
- (B) Otto von Bismarck
- (C) Kaiser Wilhelm II
- (D) Heinrich Himmler

Q28. The Treaty of Versailles ended which war?

- ✓ (B) **World War I**
- (A) World War II
- (C) Crimean War
- (D) Cold War

Q29. Which pass connects Pakistan with China?

- ✓ (C) **Khunjerab Pass**
- (A) Khyber Pass
- (B) Bolan Pass
- (D) Gomal Pass

Q30. The gas used in soft (fizzy) drinks is:

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

Q31. Sound intensity is measured in:

- ✓ (B) **Decibels**
- (A) Hertz
- (C) Newtons
- (D) Joules

Q32. Which UK political figure, a former Greater Manchester Mayor, emerged as the frontrunner to succeed Keir Starmer in 2026?

- ✓ (A) **Andy Burnham**
- (B) Rachel Reeves
- (C) David Lammy
- (D) Wes Streeting

Q33. 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)

Q34. Which country has won the most FIFA World Cup titles historically?

- ✓ (A) **Brazil**
- (B) Germany
- (C) Italy
- (D) Argentina

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Q35. The feminine of 'lion' is:

- (A) Lioner
- ✓ (B) **Lioness**
- (C) Liones
- (D) She-lion

Q36. Which country's tariff policy changes, following a Supreme Court ruling in early 2026, affected US trade relations, particularly with China?

- ✓ (A) **United States**
- (B) China
- (C) European Union
- (D) Japan

Q37. 'Phishing' is:

- (A) A hardware fault
- ✓ (B) **Tricking users into revealing sensitive information**
- (C) A type of firewall
- (D) Data compression

Q38. The shortcut key to save a file is:

- (A) Ctrl + P
- ✓ (B) **Ctrl + S**
- (C) Ctrl + A
- (D) Ctrl + F

Q39. A scientist who studies earthquakes is called a:

- (A) Meteorologist
- (B) Geographer
- ✓ (C) **Seismologist**
- (D) Astronomer

Q40. The comparative degree of 'bad' is:

- (A) Badder
- ✓ (B) **Worse**
- (C) Worst
- (D) More bad

Q41. Which country's Taliban government retook control in 2021 following the withdrawal of US-led forces?

- ✓ (A) **Afghanistan**
- (B) Iraq
- (C) Syria
- (D) Yemen

Q42. The sum of the interior angles of a pentagon is:

- (A) 360°
- (B) 450°
- ✓ (C) **540°**
- (D) 720°

Q43. Which economic term combines stagnant growth with high inflation, a challenging policy scenario?

- ✓ (A) **Stagflation**
- (B) Recession
- (C) Deflation
- (D) Hyperinflation

Q44. The first census of Pakistan was held in:

- (A) 1947
- ✓ (B) **1951**
- (C) 1955
- (D) 1961

Q45. Which Russian space agency oversees the country's space program?

- ✓ (A) **Roscosmos**
- (B) ESA
- (C) NASA
- (D) CNSA

Q46. The Maghrib prayer has how many Farz rakats?

- (A) 2
- ✓ (B) **3**
- (C) 4
- (D) 5

Q47. $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} = ?$

- (A) $\frac{1}{6}$
- (B) $\frac{2}{6}$
- ✓ (C) **$\frac{3}{4}$**
- (D) $\frac{1}{8}$

Q48. The Lahore Resolution was passed in:

- (A) 1930
- (B) 1935
- ✓ (C) **1940**
- (D) 1947

Q49. Zakat was made obligatory in:

- (A) 1 AH
- ✓ (B) **2 AH**
- (C) 3 AH
- (D) 5 AH

Q50. In 12 hours, how many times do the two hands of a clock coincide (overlap)?

- (A) 10
- ✓ (B) **11**
- (C) 12
- (D) 24