

PPSC (Punjab Public Service Commission) - Lecturer Written Test 2024

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

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Q1. Which bird cannot fly?

- (A) Eagle
- (B) Sparrow
- ✓ (C) **Ostrich**
- (D) Parrot

Q2. A computer virus is a:

- (A) Hardware part
- ✓ (B) **Harmful program**
- (C) Type of memory
- (D) Output device

Q3. Which African American civil rights figure famously refused to give up her bus seat in 1955, sparking a major boycott?

- ✓ (A) **Rosa Parks**
- (B) Coretta Scott King
- (C) Angela Davis
- (D) Harriet Tubman

Q4. Which Australian political leader served as Prime Minister across the mid-2020s?

- ✓ (A) **Anthony Albanese, among various Australian PMs during this period**
- (B) Scott Morrison alone covers this entire period
- (C) Malcolm Turnbull alone covers this entire period
- (D) Julia Gillard alone covers this entire period

Q5. Hardly had he arrived _____ it started raining.

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

Q6. The 'Land of Pure' refers to:

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

Q7. Which organization, headquartered in Basel, coordinates cooperation among central banks worldwide?

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

Q8. 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

Q9. Which historic 2019 astronomical achievement produced the first-ever image of a black hole?

- ✓ **(A) The Event Horizon Telescope collaboration's black hole image**
- (B) The Hubble Deep Field image (a different achievement)
- (C) The James Webb Space Telescope's first images (a later achievement)
- (D) The Voyager 1 interstellar image (a different achievement)

Q10. Which protocol is used to send email?

- (A) FTP
- ✓ **(B) SMTP**
- (C) HTTP
- (D) SNMP

Q11. The shortcut key to print is:

- ✓ **(A) Ctrl + P**
- (B) Ctrl + R
- (C) Ctrl + T
- (D) Ctrl + I

Q12. Which pass connects Pakistan with China?

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

Q13. In the sequence 81, 27, 9, ... the number that comes after 9 is:

- (A) 6
- ✓ **(B) 3**
- (C) 1
- (D) 0

Q14. Which country is known as the 'Land of a Thousand Lakes'?

- (A) Sweden
- (B) Norway
- ✓ **(C) Finland**
- (D) Canada

Q15. One-third of 96 is:

- (A) 24
- (B) 30
- ✓ **(C) 32**
- (D) 36

Q16. Hajj is performed in the Islamic month of:

- (A) Ramadan
- (B) Shawwal
- (C) Zil-Qad
- ✓ **(D) Zil-Hajj**

Q17. Which stock market index is heavily weighted toward technology companies in the United States?

- ✓ **(A) NASDAQ Composite**
- (B) Dow Jones Industrial Average
- (C) FTSE 100
- (D) DAX

Q18. The first Governor-General of Pakistan was:

- (A) Liaquat Ali Khan
- ✓ (B) **Quaid-e-Azam**
- (C) Khawaja Nazimuddin
- (D) Iskander Mirza

Q19. Which 2003 conflict led to the removal of Saddam Hussein's government in Iraq?

- ✓ (A) **Iraq War**
- (B) Gulf War (1991)
- (C) Afghanistan War
- (D) Syrian Civil War

Q20. Which space telescope, launched in 1990, has provided groundbreaking images of distant galaxies?

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

Q21. The total length of Pakistan's coastline is about:

- (A) 700 km
- ✓ (B) **1,046 km**
- (C) 1,500 km
- (D) 2,000 km

Q22. 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

Q23. Which two countries announced a temporary tariff reduction agreement in May 2026 amid ongoing trade tensions?

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

Q24. What is the capital of Poland?

- (A) Krakow
- ✓ (B) **Warsaw**
- (C) Gdansk
- (D) Wroclaw

Q25. He is good _____ mathematics.

- (A) in
- (B) on
- ✓ (C) **at**
- (D) with

Q26. Zakat was made obligatory in:

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

Q27. Choose the antonym of 'Accept':

- (A) Receive
- ✓ (B) **Reject**
- (C) Agree
- (D) Take

Q28. Which technology underpins cryptocurrencies like Bitcoin, providing a decentralized digital ledger?

- ✓ (A) **Blockchain**
- (B) Cloud computing
- (C) Artificial Intelligence
- (D) Quantum computing

Q29. Which international sporting event, the 2026 FIFA World Cup, is being jointly hosted by three North American countries?

- ✓ (A) **United States, Canada and Mexico**
- (B) Only the United States
- (C) Only Mexico
- (D) Only Qatar

Q30. Which social media platform, founded by Mark Zuckerberg, became one of the world's largest?

- ✓ (A) **Facebook**
- (B) Twitter (now X)
- (C) Instagram (also owned by Meta)
- (D) LinkedIn

Q31. Which historic trade route connected China with the Mediterranean world for centuries?

- ✓ (A) **Silk Road**
- (B) Amber Road
- (C) Incense Route
- (D) Spice Route (as a broader Indian Ocean network)

Q32. The unit of electric current is the:

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

Q33. My brother is older _____ me.

- (A) then
- ✓ (B) **than**
- (C) from
- (D) to

Q34. Which country's parliament is known as the 'Duma' (specifically its lower house)?

- ✓ (A) **Russia**
- (B) Ukraine
- (C) Belarus
- (D) Kazakhstan

Q35. What is the capital of Portugal?

- (A) Porto
- ✓ (B) **Lisbon**
- (C) Braga
- (D) Coimbra

Q36. The smallest unit of life is the:

- (A) Atom
- ✓ (B) **Cell**
- (C) Molecule
- (D) Tissue

Q37. Which type of memory retains its data when the power is switched off?

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

Q38. Which is the smallest prime number?

- (A) 0
- (B) 1
- ✓ (C) **2**
- (D) 3

Q39. The unit of electric power is the:

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

Q40. The internet connects computers around the world using:

- (A) Telephone only
- ✓ (B) **Networks**
- (C) Televisions
- (D) Radios

Q41. In which year did World War I begin?

- ✓ (A) **1914**
- (B) 1918
- (C) 1939
- (D) 1945

Q42. MS Excel is used mainly for:

- (A) Documents
- (B) Presentations
- ✓ (C) **Spreadsheets & calculations**
- (D) Drawing

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- (A) Osaka
- ✓ (B) **Tokyo**
- (C) Kyoto
- (D) Yokohama

Q44. Which attacks on 11 September 2001 significantly reshaped US foreign policy and global security priorities?

- ✓ (A) **The September 11 attacks**
- (B) The Pearl Harbor attack
- (C) The Oklahoma City bombing
- (D) The London bombings

Q45. What is the official currency of the United Arab Emirates?

- ✓ (A) **Dirham**
- (B) Riyal
- (C) Dinar
- (D) Rial

Q46. 'Ashra Mubashra' refers to:

- (A) Ten battles
- ✓ (B) **Ten companions promised Paradise**
- (C) Ten Surahs
- (D) Ten commandments

Q47. Which historic sporting achievement did Pakistani athlete Arshad Nadeem accomplish at the 2024 Paris Olympics, drawing global attention?

- ✓ (A) **Winning gold in the javelin throw**
- (B) Winning gold in the 100m sprint
- (C) Winning gold in swimming
- (D) Winning gold in wrestling

Q48. Which document, adopted by the UN General Assembly in 1948, outlines fundamental human rights globally?

- ✓ (A) **Universal Declaration of Human Rights**
- (B) UN Charter
- (C) Geneva Convention
- (D) Treaty of Versailles

Q49. The Faisal Mosque is located in:

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

Q50. Gilgit-Baltistan was formerly known as:

- (A) FATA
- ✓ (B) **Northern Areas**
- (C) Azad Kashmir
- (D) Frontier Regions