

SPSC (Sindh Public Service Commission) - Lecturer Written Test 2021

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. Gilgit-Baltistan was formerly known as:

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

Q2. Which tennis Grand Slam tournament is played on grass courts in London?

- ✓ (A) **Wimbledon**
- (B) US Open
- (C) French Open
- (D) Australian Open

Q3. Quaid-e-Azam called which day 'Direct Action Day'?

- ✓ (A) **16 August 1946**
- (B) 23 March 1946
- (C) 14 August 1946
- (D) 3 June 1947

Q4. The average of the first 10 natural numbers (1-10) is:

- (A) 5
- ✓ (B) **5.5**
- (C) 6
- (D) 6.5

Q5. Which technology-related concern has been increasingly linked to global security discussions, including AI chips used in military applications?

- ✓ (A) **The militarization of advanced AI technology**
- (B) Only civilian AI chatbot applications
- (C) Only agricultural technology concerns
- (D) Only educational technology concerns

Q6. Which long-serving German Chancellor led the country from 2005 to 2021?

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

Q7. The headquarters of the OIC is in:

- (A) Riyadh
- (B) Cairo
- ✓ (C) **Jeddah**
- (D) Istanbul

Q8. Which renewable energy source harnesses sunlight directly to generate electricity through photovoltaic cells?

- ✓ (A) **Solar power**
- (B) Wind power
- (C) Hydropower
- (D) Geothermal power

Q9. The Khewra Mines are famous for:

- (A) Coal
- (B) Copper
- ✓ (C) Salt
- (D) Gold

Q10. Which international financial index tracks major US stock market performance, comprising 30 large companies?

- ✓ (A) Dow Jones Industrial Average
- (B) S&P 500 (a broader index)
- (C) NASDAQ Composite (a different index)
- (D) FTSE 100 (a UK index)

Q11. Which broad wave of pro-democracy uprisings swept parts of the Arab world beginning in late 2010?

- ✓ (A) Arab Spring
- (B) Prague Spring
- (C) Velvet Revolution
- (D) Rose Revolution

Q12. Who is the President of France?

- ✓ (A) Emmanuel Macron
- (B) Nicolas Sarkozy
- (C) Francois Hollande
- (D) Jacques Chirac

Q13. Which company developed Windows?

- (A) Apple
- (B) Google
- ✓ (C) Microsoft
- (D) IBM

Q14. Who serves as the President of India (a largely ceremonial role)?

- ✓ (A) Droupadi Murmu
- (B) Ram Nath Kovind
- (C) Pratibha Patil
- (D) Narendra Modi

Q15. A light-year is a unit of:

- (A) Time
- (B) Speed
- ✓ (C) Distance
- (D) Brightness

Q16. The Islamic (Hijri) calendar is based on the:

- (A) Solar cycle
- ✓ (B) Lunar cycle
- (C) Star positions
- (D) Seasons

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Q17. $144 \div 12 = ?$

(A) 10

(B) 11

✓ (C) 12

(D) 14

Q18. The foster mother who nursed the Holy Prophet (PBUH) in childhood was:

(A) Hazrat Khadija (RA)

✓ (B) Hazrat Haleema Sadia (RA)

(C) Hazrat Amina (RA)

(D) Hazrat Safia (RA)

Q19. Choose the grammatically correct sentence:

(A) Each of the boys have a pen.

✓ (B) Each of the boys has a pen.

(C) Each of the boys are having pens.

(D) Each boys has a pen.

Q20. MS PowerPoint is used for:

(A) Spreadsheets

✓ (B) Presentations

(C) Databases

(D) Programming

Q21. Which UN body is primarily responsible for addressing health emergencies globally?

✓ (A) World Health Organization (WHO)

(B) UNESCO

(C) UNICEF

(D) UNHCR

Q22. Which country will host the 2028 Summer Olympics?

✓ (A) United States (Los Angeles)

(B) France

(C) Australia

(D) Germany

Q23. The farewell sermon (Khutba Hajjatul Wida) was delivered in:

(A) 8 AH

(B) 9 AH

✓ (C) 10 AH

(D) 11 AH

Q24. The headquarters of NATO is located in:

(A) Geneva

(B) Paris

✓ (C) Brussels

(D) Vienna

Q25. 'Blue Helmets' is a name used for:

(A) Interpol officers

✓ (B) UN peacekeeping forces

(C) NATO troops

(D) Red Cross volunteers

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- ✓ (A) **Ukraine**
- (B) Belarus
- (C) Moldova
- (D) Georgia

Q27. The Roman numeral 'X' represents:

- (A) 5
- ✓ (B) **10**
- (C) 50
- (D) 100

Q28. How many sides does a hexagon have?

- (A) 5
- ✓ (B) **6**
- (C) 7
- (D) 8

Q29. Which country's monarch, King Charles III, ascended the throne in 2022 following his mother's death?

- ✓ (A) **United Kingdom**
- (B) Spain
- (C) Sweden
- (D) Netherlands

Q30. The Second Islamic Summit Conference (1974) was held in which Pakistani city?

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

Q31. Pope Francis, predecessor to Pope Leo XIV, passed away in which year?

- ✓ (A) **2025**
- (B) 2023
- (C) 2020
- (D) 2027

Q32. $5^2 + 3^2 = ?$

- (A) 16
- (B) 30
- ✓ (C) **34**
- (D) 64

Q33. Which term describes investment made by a foreign entity into productive assets of another country?

- ✓ (A) **Foreign Direct Investment (FDI)**
- (B) Balance of Trade
- (C) GDP
- (D) CPI

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Q34. The chemical symbol of gold is:

- (A) Go
- (B) Gd
- ✓ (C) **Au**
- (D) Ag

Q35. What is the capital of Kenya?

- (A) Mombasa
- ✓ (B) **Nairobi**
- (C) Kisumu
- (D) Nakuru

Q36. SAARC was founded in which year?

- (A) 1980
- (B) 1983
- ✓ (C) **1985**
- (D) 1990

Q37. The national tree of Pakistan is the:

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

Q38. 'As brave as a lion' is an example of:

- (A) Metaphor
- ✓ (B) **Simile**
- (C) Personification
- (D) Hyperbole

Q39. Which regional organization was formed to promote cooperation among South Asian countries?

- ✓ (A) **South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC)**
- (B) ASEAN
- (C) African Union
- (D) European Union

Q40. The Berlin Wall fell in:

- (A) 1985
- ✓ (B) **1989**
- (C) 1991
- (D) 1993

Q41. A score is equal to:

- (A) 10
- (B) 12
- ✓ (C) **20**
- (D) 25

Q42. One who looks at the bright side of things is called:

- (A) Pessimist
- ✓ (B) **Optimist**
- (C) Realist
- (D) Egoist

Q43. The hexadecimal number system has a base of:

- (A) 2
- (B) 8
- (C) 10

✓ (D) 16

Q44. They _____ playing cricket now.

- (A) is
- (B) am

✓ (C) are

- (D) was

Q45. Which tennis Grand Slam tournament is held annually in New York?

✓ (A) US Open

- (B) Wimbledon
- (C) French Open
- (D) Australian Open

Q46. Blood pressure is measured by a:

- (A) Thermometer
- (B) Stethoscope

✓ (C) Sphygmomanometer

- (D) Barometer

Q47. The smallest unit of life is the:

- (A) Atom

✓ (B) Cell

- (C) Molecule
- (D) Tissue

Q48. The Nobel Prizes are awarded from which country?

✓ (A) Norway & Sweden

- (B) USA
- (C) Switzerland
- (D) UK

Q49. What is the capital of Portugal?

- (A) Porto

✓ (B) Lisbon

- (C) Braga
- (D) Coimbra

Q50. In email, BCC stands for:

✓ (A) Blind Carbon Copy

- (B) Basic Carbon Copy
- (C) Blank Contact Copy
- (D) Backup Carbon Copy