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TOPIC SECTIONS

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GENERAL KNOWLEDGE & SPORTS

1 The Oscar winning short documentary film “Girl in the River” was directed by?

(A) Samina Peerzada

(B) Sabrha Sumar

(C) Sharmeen Obaid Chinoy ✓

(D) Mehreen Jabbar

✓ Correct Answer: (C) Sharmeen Obaid Chinoy

Explanation: Sharmeen Obaid-Chinoy directed “A Girl in the River: The Price of Forgiveness”, which won the Academy Award for Best Documentary Short in 2016.

2 Dr. Abdul Salam was awarded Nobel Prize for Physics in:

(A) 1981

(B) 1979 ✓

(C) 1976

(D) 1987

✓ Correct Answer: (B) 1979

Explanation: Dr. Abdus Salam won the Nobel Prize in Physics in 1979, jointly with Sheldon Glashow and Steven Weinberg, for the theory of electroweak unification.

3 Next Summer Olympic Games are to be held in:

(A) 2017 Moscow

(B) 2018 Seoul

(C) 2016 Rio de Janeiro



(D) 2016 Paris

✓ **Correct Answer: (C) 2016 Rio de Janeiro**

Explanation: The 2016 Summer Olympics were held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil — the first Olympic Games hosted in South America.

4 Muhammad Asif is a famous player of:

(A) Snooker



(B) Kabaddi

(C) Tennis

(D) Football

✓ **Correct Answer: (A) Snooker**

Explanation: Muhammad Asif is a well-known Pakistani snooker player who has represented Pakistan in international snooker championships.

5 Sohail Abbas is famous player of:

(A) Squash

(B) Hockey ✓

(C) Boxing

(D) Swimming

✓ Correct Answer: (B) Hockey

Explanation: Sohail Abbas is a former Pakistani field hockey full-back, renowned as one of the highest goal-scorers in international hockey history.

NOTABLE PERSONALITIES & HISTORY

6 Ayesha Jalal is prominent in the field of:

(A) Chemistry

(B) History ✓

(C) Mathematics

(D) Sociology

✓ Correct Answer: (B) History

Explanation: Ayesha Jalal is a distinguished Pakistani-American historian, known for her works on the history of Pakistan and South Asia.

7 Javed Ghamdi is prominent in the field of:

(A) Islamiyat ✓

(B) Fishing

(C) Civil Service

(D) Geography

✓ Correct Answer: (A) Islamiyat

Explanation: Javed Ahmad Ghamidi is a well-known Pakistani Islamic scholar, theologian, and exegete of the Quran.

8 Mohsin Hamid is famous for:

(A) English Writing ✓

(B) Urdu Ghazal

(C) Teaching

(D) Financial Analyst

✓ Correct Answer: (A) English Writing

Explanation: Mohsin Hamid is a celebrated Pakistani novelist who writes in English, known for books like "The Reluctant Fundamentalist" and "Moth Smoke".

9 Abdur Rehman Chughtai was a prominent name in the field of:

(A) Health Care

(B) Painting ✓

(C) Civil Engineering

(D) Architecture

✓ Correct Answer: (B) Painting

Explanation: Abdur Rahman Chughtai was a legendary Pakistani painter, regarded as the first Muslim artist of the subcontinent to achieve international recognition.

10 Adeeb Rizvi is famous for his work in the field of:

(A) Solid Waste Management

(B) Horticulture

(C) Medicine ✓

(D) Sports

✓ Correct Answer: (C) Medicine

Explanation: Dr. Syed Adibul Hasan (Adeeb) Rizvi founded the Sindh Institute of Urology and Transplantation (SIUT) and is renowned for his work in medicine, particularly kidney transplantation.

11 Sana Meer is a prominent name in the field of:

(A) Athletics

(B) Acting

(C) Modelling

(D) Cricket



✓ **Correct Answer: (D) Cricket**

Explanation: Sana Mir is a former captain of the Pakistan women's national cricket team and one of the country's most successful cricketers.

12 Hussain Shaheed Suhrawardy upon estrangement from the Muslim League formed a political party called:

(A) Jugtu Front

(B) Bahujan Samaj Party

(C) Awami Muslim League



(D) Bengal Muslim League

✓ **Correct Answer: (C) Awami Muslim League**

Explanation: After parting ways with the Muslim League, H.S. Suhrawardy founded the Awami Muslim League in 1949, which was later renamed the Awami League.

13 Pakistan's first Law Minister was:

(A) Sir Firoz Khan Noon

(B) Sir Zafarullah Khan

(C) Jogindarnath Mandal ✓

(D) Kh. Nazimuddin

✓ **Correct Answer: (C) Jogindarnath Mandal**

Explanation: Jogendra Nath Mandal served as Pakistan's first Minister for Law and Labour after independence in 1947.

PAKISTAN STUDIES & VOCABULARY

14 The distance between Karachi and Lahore along N-5 is:

(A) 1000 km

(B) 1287 km ✓

(C) 1351 km

(D) 1521 km

✓ **Correct Answer: (B) 1287 km**

Explanation: The N-5 National Highway (Grand Trunk Road) connecting Karachi and Lahore is approximately 1287 km long.

15 Fort Munro is located in _____ province:

(A) Baluchistan

(B) Sindh

(C) Khyber Pukhtunkhwa

(D) Punjab ✓

✓ **Correct Answer: (D) Punjab**

Explanation: Fort Munro is a hill station located in the Dera Ghazi Khan District of Punjab, Pakistan.

16 Who drew the border line between India and Pakistan in 1947?

(A) Lord Wavell

(B) Lord Mountbatten

(C) Sir Cyril Radcliff ✓

(D) Lord Attlee

✓ **Correct Answer: (C) Sir Cyril Radcliff**

Explanation: Sir Cyril Radcliffe chaired the Boundary Commissions and drew the border line (the Radcliffe Line) between India and Pakistan in 1947.

17 Bhagat Kabir, Baba Gurunal and Dadu Dayal were all associated with _____ Movement.

(A) Quit India

(B) Faraizi

(C) Non Cooperation

(D) Bhagti ✓

✓ **Correct Answer: (D) Bhagti**

Explanation: Kabir, Guru Nanak, and Dadu Dayal were all prominent saints of the Bhakti Movement, which emphasised devotion and unity of God across religious lines.

18 Dar ul Uloom Deoband was established in _____ District.

(A) Muzaffarpur

(B) Allahabad

(C) Saharanpur ✓

(D) Meerut

✓ **Correct Answer: (C) Saharanpur**

Explanation: Darul Uloom Deoband, founded in 1866, is located in the town of Deoband in Saharanpur District, Uttar Pradesh.

19 The Moplah Uprising took place in _____ province.

(A) Bengal

(B) Madras ✓

(C) UP

(D) Kerala

✓ **Correct Answer: (B) Madras**

Explanation: The Moplah (Malabar) Uprising of 1921 took place in the Malabar region, which was then part of the Madras Presidency.

20 Ch. Rehmat Ali issued a pamphlet as his solution to the Indian Communal problems. It was called:

(A) Now or Never ✓

(B) Never or Now

(C) Bang-i-Islam

(D) Do or Die

✓ **Correct Answer: (A) Now or Never**

Explanation: Choudhry Rahmat Ali's 1933 pamphlet, in which the name "Pakistan" was coined, was titled "Now or Never".

21 All India Muslim League was founded in the city of:

(A) Lucknow

(B) Lahore

(C) Dhaka ✓

(D) Calcutta

✓ **Correct Answer: (C) Dhaka**

Explanation: The All India Muslim League was founded in 1906 in Dhaka (then Dacca).

22 Pakistan became a Republic on:

(A) 23rd March 1956 ✓

(B) 29th February 1956

(C) 8th June 1956

(D) 14th August 1947

✓ **Correct Answer: (A) 23rd March 1956**

Explanation: Pakistan's first Constitution came into effect on 23rd March 1956, making it an Islamic Republic.

23 Numismatics is the study of:

(A) Horses

(B) Flags

(C) Fire arms

(D) Coins



✓ **Correct Answer: (D) Coins**

Explanation: Numismatics is the study or collection of currency, including coins, tokens, and paper money.

24 Which pair of words refers to birds and bees?

(A) Colts, Horses

(B) Bore, Boar

(C) Aviary, Apiary



(D) Pen, Sty

✓ **Correct Answer: (C) Aviary, Apiary**

Explanation: An 'aviary' is an enclosure for keeping birds, while an 'apiary' is a place for keeping bees. (Note: the original paper printed this as "butterflies and birds" — that appears to be a typographical slip; the true pairing tested is birds and bees.)

25 Pick the odd word out:

(A) bicycle

(B) railway

(C) ferry

(D) fish ✓

✓ **Correct Answer: (D) fish**

Explanation: Bicycle, railway, and ferry are all means of transportation; a fish is a living creature, not a mode of transport.

26 Pick the odd word out:

(A) moon

(B) tree ✓

(C) ball

(D) earth

✓ **Correct Answer: (B) tree**

Explanation: Moon, ball, and earth are all spherical objects, while a tree is not round in shape.

27 Pick the odd word out:

(A) lemonade

(B) bread ✓

(C) juice

(D) milk

✓ **Correct Answer: (B) bread**

Explanation: Lemonade, juice, and milk are all liquids/beverages, whereas bread is a solid food item.

28 Pick the odd word out:

(A) cut

(B) blow

(C) cool ✓

(D) dig

✓ **Correct Answer: (C) cool**

Explanation: Cut, blow, and dig are all forceful physical actions typically done with tools; 'cool' describes a state/temperature rather than a forceful action.

29 Pick the odd word out:

(A) Attock

(B) Mangla Dam ✓

(C) Taxila

(D) Haripur

✓ **Correct Answer: (B) Mangla Dam**

Explanation: Attock, Taxila, and Haripur are cities/towns in Pakistan, whereas Mangla Dam is a dam, not a city.

30 Pick the odd word out:

(A) sheep

(B) cows

(C) rats ✓

(D) horse

✓ **Correct Answer: (C) rats**

Explanation: Sheep, cows, and horses are domesticated farm/livestock animals, while rats are generally regarded as pests, not livestock.

31 What is the synonym of Fulsome?**(A) exuberant** ✓**(B)** emotional**(C)** dry**(D)** rough✓ **Correct Answer: (A) exuberant**

Explanation: Fulsome means excessive or abundant (often to the point of insincerity); 'exuberant' is the closest synonym among the choices.

32 What is the synonym of Denigrate?**(A) disparage** ✓**(B)** praise**(C)** describe**(D)** draw✓ **Correct Answer: (A) disparage**

Explanation: Denigrate means to criticize unfairly or belittle someone/something; 'disparage' carries the same meaning.

33 What is the synonym of Incendiary?

(A) frolic

(B) snicker

(C) causing fire ✓

(D) emollient

✓ **Correct Answer: (C) causing fire**

Explanation: Incendiary literally means capable of causing fire (or, figuratively, inflammatory); 'causing fire' captures its core meaning.

34 What is the synonym of Prerogative?

(A) end

(B) puncture

(C) summon

(D) privilege ✓

✓ **Correct Answer: (D) privilege**

Explanation: A prerogative is a special right or privilege exclusive to a person or group; 'privilege' is its synonym.

35 What is the synonym of Calligraphy?

(A) word processing

(B) keyboard

(C) hand writing ✓

(D) concussion

✓ **Correct Answer: (C) hand writing**

Explanation: Calligraphy refers to the art of decorative or beautiful handwriting.

36 What is the antonym of Gregarious?

(A) boring

(B) chubby

(C) lonesome ✓

(D) talkative

✓ **Correct Answer: (C) lonesome**

Explanation: Gregarious means sociable and fond of company; its opposite is 'lonesome' (solitary/unsociable).

37 What is the antonym of Assent?

(A) disagree ✓

(B) approve

(C) sanction

(D) pass

✓ **Correct Answer: (A) disagree**

Explanation: Assent means to agree or approve; its antonym is 'disagree'.

39 What is the antonym of Fluid?

(A) airy

(B) still ✓

(C) frozen

(D) moving

✓ **Correct Answer: (B) still**

Explanation: Fluid implies something flowing or ever-changing; 'still' (motionless/stationary) is its most direct opposite.

40 What is the antonym of Onerous?

(A) fluent

(B) burdensome

(C) difficult

(D) light ✓

✓ **Correct Answer: (D) light**

Explanation: Onerous means burdensome or demanding great effort; its antonym is 'light' (easy, not burdensome).

41 What is the antonym of Concord?

(A) agreement

(B) variance ✓

(C) accord

(D) unity

✓ **Correct Answer: (B) variance**

Explanation: Concord means harmony or agreement; its antonym is 'variance' (discord/disagreement).

ISLAMIC STUDIES

42 Where is the head office of UNESCO located?

(A) Geneva

(B) Vienna

(C) Brussels

(D) Paris ✓

✓ **Correct Answer: (D) Paris**

Explanation: UNESCO's headquarters is located in Paris, France.

43 Ghazwa e Badr was fought in which year of the Christian Calendar?

(A) 623

(B) 622

(C) 619

(D) 624 ✓

✓ **Correct Answer: (D) 624**

Explanation: The Battle of Badr took place in 2 A.H., which corresponds to 624 CE in the Christian calendar.

44 Masjid Nimra is situated in:

(A) Madinah

(B) Taif

(C) Jeddah

(D) Plains of Arafat ✓

✓ **Correct Answer: (D) Plains of Arafat**

Explanation: Masjid-e-Nimra is located on the Plains of Arafat, near Mecca, where the Hajj sermon is delivered.

45 The first migration in Islamic History was to which country?

(A) Abyssinia ✓

(B) Iraq

(C) Yemen

(D) Syria

✓ **Correct Answer: (A) Abyssinia**

Explanation: The first migration (Hijrah) in Islamic history was made by early Muslims to Abyssinia (modern-day Ethiopia) to escape persecution in Makkah.

46 Holy Prophet (PBUH) sometimes gave his silent approval of a statement or action of someone; this is called:

(A) qawl

(B) taqrir ✓

(C) hadatha

(D) illhan

✓ **Correct Answer: (B) taqrir**

Explanation: 'Taqrir' refers to the Prophet's tacit/silent approval of an action or statement made in his presence, forming a category of Hadith.

47 After migrating to Yathrib (Madina) the Holy Prophet (PBUH) first stayed at the house of which Sahabi?

(A) Ayub Ansari ✓

(B) Abu Hurairah

(C) Abdullah bin Abbas

(D) Anas bin Malik

✓ **Correct Answer: (A) Ayub Ansari**

Explanation: Upon arriving in Madina, the Prophet (PBUH) first stayed at the house of Hazrat Abu Ayyub al-Ansari (Ayub Ansari).

48 The word 'wahi' is derived from the word 'waha' which means:

(A) to write down

(B) to memorize

(C) to inform secretly ✓

(D) to listen

✓ **Correct Answer: (C) to inform secretly**

Explanation: 'Wahi' (revelation) is derived from 'waha', meaning to communicate or inform secretly/quickly.

49 The Muslim mathematician Al-Khawarizmi is best known for his work in:

(A) Trigonometry

(B) Set Theory

(C) Algebra ✓

(D) Geometry

✓ Correct Answer: (C) Algebra

Explanation: Al-Khawarizmi is best known as the “father of Algebra”; the term ‘algebra’ itself derives from the title of his book ‘Al-Jabr’.

QUANTITATIVE APTITUDE

50 2, 4, 16, 256, _____. Complete the series.

(A) 80,000

(B) 7,156

(C) 68,160

(D) 65,536 ✓

✓ Correct Answer: (D) 65,536

Explanation: Each term is the square of the previous term: $2^2=4$, $4^2=16$, $16^2=256$, $256^2=65,536$.

51 50, 60, 80, 110, 150, _____. Complete the series.

(A) 200 ✓

(B) 160

(C) 180

(D) 300

✓ Correct Answer: (A) 200

Explanation: The differences increase by 10 each time: +10, +20, +30, +40, so the next difference is +50, giving $150+50=200$.

52 2, 4, 12, 48, 240, _____. Complete the series.

(A) 1440 ✓

(B) 1240

(C) 1040

(D) 1340

✓ Correct Answer: (A) 1440

Explanation: Each term is multiplied by an increasing factor: $\times 2$, $\times 3$, $\times 4$, $\times 5$, so the next step is $240 \times 6 = 1440$.

53 If 25% of a certain number is 1600, what is 10% of the number?

(A) 40

(B) 400

(C) 640 ✓

(D) 1440

✓ Correct Answer: (C) 640

Explanation: $25\% \text{ of } x = 1600 \Rightarrow x = 6400$. Therefore $10\% \text{ of } 6400 = 640$.

54 Multiply $15,873 \times 28$:

(A) 555,555

(B) 444,444 ✓

(C) 333,333

(D) 111,111

✓ Correct Answer: (B) 444,444

Explanation: $15,873 \times 28 = 444,444$.

55 Divide $3900 \div 500$:

(A) 7.8 ✓

(B) 8.7

(C) 7.9

(D) 6.8

✓ Correct Answer: (A) 7.8

Explanation: $3900 \div 500 = 7.8$.

56 If an athlete's weight decreases from 160 pounds to 152 pounds, what is the percentage decrease?

(A) 5% ✓

(B) 6%

(C) 4%

(D) 10%

✓ Correct Answer: (A) 5%

Explanation: Decrease = $160 - 152 = 8$. Percentage decrease = $(8/160) \times 100 = 5\%$.

57 Calculate the value of x in the equation: $12 - 5x = x + 30$

(A) -4

(B) -6

(C) -3 ✓

(D) -5

✓ Correct Answer: (C) -3

Explanation: $12 - 5x = x + 30 \Rightarrow -18 = 6x \Rightarrow x = -3$.

58 Katherine's weekly salary was increased by 8% to \$237.60. What was her weekly salary before the increase?

(A) \$220 ✓

(B) \$215

(C) \$200

(D) \$225

✓ Correct Answer: (A) \$220

Explanation: Let original salary = x . Then $1.08x = 237.60 \Rightarrow x = 220$.

59 A rectangular floor $18\text{ft} \times 10\text{ft}$ is to be covered with carpeting that costs x Rs/Sq Yard. In terms of x , how many Rupees will the carpeting cost?

(A) $20x$ ✓

(B) $28x$

(C) $180x$

(D) $9x$

✓ **Correct Answer: (A) $20x$**

Explanation: Area = $18 \times 10 = 180$ sq ft = $180/9 = 20$ sq yards (since 1 sq yard = 9 sq ft).
Cost = $20x$.

CURRENT AFFAIRS & WORLD GEOGRAPHY

60 Who was the Secretary General of UN before Ban Ki-Moon?

(A) Kurt Waldheim

(B) **Kofi Annan** ✓

(C) U Thant

(D) Boutros Boutros Ghali

✓ **Correct Answer: (B) Kofi Annan**

Explanation: Kofi Annan served as UN Secretary-General from 1997 to 2006, immediately preceding Ban Ki-Moon.

61 Crimea was an area annexed by Russia. Before the annexation it was a part of:

(A) Bosnia

(B) Belarus

(C) Ukraine ✓

(D) Georgia

✓ **Correct Answer: (C) Ukraine**

Explanation: Crimea was part of Ukraine before Russia annexed it in 2014.

62 Azerbaijan fought a war with one of its neighbours over the Nagorno-Karabakh region. Which country is closely linked to this enclave?

(A) Bosnia

(B) Turkey

(C) Macedonia

(D) Armenia ✓

✓ **Correct Answer: (D) Armenia**

Explanation: Nagorno-Karabakh is an ethnic-Armenian-majority enclave, and the long-running conflict over it has been fought primarily between Azerbaijan and Armenia.

63 Abuja is the capital of:

(A) Nigeria ✓

(B) Panama

(C) Mali

(D) Ghana

✓ **Correct Answer: (A) Nigeria**

Explanation: Abuja is the federal capital of Nigeria, replacing Lagos as the capital in 1991.

64 Which is the capital city of the West Indies?

(A) Port of Spain

(B) Harare

(C) Puerto Rico

(D) None of these ✓

✓ **Correct Answer: (D) None of these**

Explanation: The West Indies is a region comprising many separate island nations, not a single country, so it has no single capital city.

65 Which Pakistani woman won the Nelson Mandela-Graca Machel Innovation Award 2016?

(A) Malala Yousafzai

(B) Tabassum Adnan ✓

(C) Meera

(D) Sharmeen Obaid Chinoy

✓ **Correct Answer: (B) Tabassum Adnan**

Explanation: Tabassum Adnan, a women's-rights activist known for founding an all-female jirga, won this award in 2016.

66 The recent OIC Summit (at the time of this paper) was held in:

(A) Ankara

(B) Istanbul ✓

(C) Antalya

(D) Jeddah

✓ **Correct Answer: (B) Istanbul**

Explanation: The 13th Islamic Summit of the OIC was held in Istanbul, Turkey, in April 2016.

67 Renminbi is the official currency of:

(A) Taiwan

(B) China ✓

(C) North Korea

(D) Philippines

✓ **Correct Answer: (B) China**

Explanation: Renminbi (“people’s currency”) is the official currency of the People’s Republic of China; the Yuan is its primary unit.

68 The next SAARC Summit (at the time of this paper) was to be held in:

(A) Kathmandu

(B) Islamabad ✓

(C) Colombo

(D) Male

✓ Correct Answer: (B) Islamabad

Explanation: The 19th SAARC Summit was scheduled to be hosted by Pakistan in Islamabad in 2016 (it was later postponed).

69 Sir Creek is a disputed area between:

(A) Afghanistan & Pakistan

(B) Nepal & India

(C) Bangladesh & India

(D) Pakistan & India ✓

✓ Correct Answer: (D) Pakistan & India

Explanation: Sir Creek is a tidal estuary on the border of Sindh (Pakistan) and Gujarat (India), long disputed between the two countries.

70 The Suez Canal links which two seas?

(A) Baltic & North Sea

(B) Dead & Red Sea

(C) Oman & Arabian Sea

(D) Mediterranean & Red Sea ✓

✓ Correct Answer: (D) Mediterranean & Red Sea

Explanation: The Suez Canal connects the Mediterranean Sea to the Red Sea, providing a shortcut between Europe and Asia.

71 Reichstag is the name of the Parliament of which country?

(A) Turkey

(B) Russia

(C) Germany ✓

(D) Austria

✓ **Correct Answer: (C) Germany**

Explanation: The Reichstag building in Berlin houses the German Parliament (Bundestag).

72 Azlan Shah Hockey Tournament is played in which country?

(A) Singapore

(B) Thailand

(C) Malaysia ✓

(D) Brunei

✓ **Correct Answer: (C) Malaysia**

Explanation: The Sultan Azlan Shah Cup is an annual international field hockey tournament held in Malaysia.

73 Garuda is the National Airline of which country?

(A) Philippines

(B) Brunei

(C) Thailand

(D) Indonesia ✓

✓ **Correct Answer: (D) Indonesia**

Explanation: Garuda Indonesia is the flag carrier and national airline of Indonesia.

74 Which is the most populated city of China?

(A) Shanghai ✓

(B) Beijing

(C) Shenzhen

(D) Wuhan

✓ **Correct Answer: (A) Shanghai**

Explanation: Shanghai is China's most populous city, and one of the largest cities in the world by population.

75 Minsk is the capital of which European country?

(A) Hungary

(B) Macedonia

(C) Belarus ✓

(D) Bosnia

✓ **Correct Answer: (C) Belarus**

Explanation: Minsk is the capital and largest city of Belarus.

76 In which country's embassy in London is Julian Assange, the founder of WikiLeaks, hiding?

(A) Ecuador ✓

(B) Mexico

(C) Peru

(D) India

✓ **Correct Answer: (A) Ecuador**

Explanation: Julian Assange took refuge in the Embassy of Ecuador in London in 2012, remaining there for several years.

77 The capital city of New Zealand is:

(A) Wellington ✓

(B) Christchurch

(C) Adelaide

(D) Auckland

✓ **Correct Answer: (A) Wellington**

Explanation: Wellington is the capital city of New Zealand, though Auckland is its largest city.

78 Pakistan Cricket Team toured which country around the time of this paper?

(A) Australia

(B) South Africa

(C) England ✓

(D) New Zealand

✓ **Correct Answer: (C) England**

Explanation: Pakistan's cricket team undertook a tour of England in mid-2016, which included Test, ODI, and T20 matches.

79 Who was the first man to go into space?

(A) Neil Armstrong

(B) Yuri Gagarin ✓

(C) Buzz Aldrin

(D) Allen Shepard

✓ **Correct Answer: (B) Yuri Gagarin**

Explanation: Soviet cosmonaut Yuri Gagarin became the first human in space in 1961, aboard Vostok 1.

80 Thomas Cup is the world's biggest tournament of:

(A) Golf

(B) Badminton ✓

(C) Snooker

(D) Squash

✓ **Correct Answer: (B) Badminton**

Explanation: The Thomas Cup is the premier international men's team badminton championship.

81 Who is a polymath?

(A) Star Gazer

(B) Mathematician

(C) Philosopher

(D) Expert of many Subjects ✓

✓ **Correct Answer: (D) Expert of many Subjects**

Explanation: A polymath is a person whose knowledge and expertise span a significant number of different subjects.

82 Xian is a famous city of:

(A) North Korea

(B) South Korea

(C) Japan

(D) China ✓

✓ **Correct Answer: (D) China**

Explanation: Xi'an is a major historic city in China, famous as the site of the Terracotta Army and the eastern end of the Silk Road.

83 Persian poets Hafiz and Saadi are buried in:

(A) Herat

(B) Shiraz ✓

(C) Isfahan

(D) Kabul

✓ **Correct Answer: (B) Shiraz**

Explanation: Both Hafiz and Saadi, celebrated Persian poets, are buried in Shiraz, Iran, where their mausoleums remain popular visiting sites.

84 Baltoro is a famous _____ of Pakistan:

(A) Mountain Peak

(B) Mountain Lake

(C) River

(D) Glacier ✓

✓ **Correct Answer: (D) Glacier**

Explanation: The Baltoro Glacier, located in Gilgit-Baltistan, is one of the longest glaciers outside the polar regions and a gateway to K2.

85 Diamer-Bhasha hydropower project is being built on which river?

(A) Hunza

(B) Jhelum

(C) Indus ✓

(D) Kabul

✓ **Correct Answer: (C) Indus**

Explanation: The Diamer-Bhasha Dam is being constructed on the Indus River, on the border of Gilgit-Baltistan and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.

86 Awaran District is located in _____.

(A) Baluchistan ✓

(B) Khyber-Pukhtunkhwa

(C) Sindh

(D) Gilgit Baltistan

✓ **Correct Answer: (A) Baluchistan**

Explanation: Awaran is a district in the Balochistan province of Pakistan.

87 Uch Sharif's most famous monument is the mausoleum of:

(A) Shams Tabrez

(B) Maulvi Barkhordar

(C) Bibi Jawindi ✓

(D) Nawab Salahuddin Abbassi

✓ **Correct Answer: (C) Bibi Jawindi**

Explanation: The Tomb of Bibi Jawindi in Uch Sharif is the town's most famous and architecturally celebrated monument.

PAKISTAN GEOGRAPHY — FINAL ROUND

88 Khunjerab is the border pass between Pakistan and _____?

(A) Afghanistan

(B) Tajikistan

(C) Iran

(D) China ✓

✓ **Correct Answer: (D) China**

Explanation: The Khunjerab Pass, on the Karakoram Highway, connects Pakistan's Gilgit-Baltistan region with China.

89 Archaeological finds of Harappa are located in which District?

(A) Sheikhupura

(B) Okara

(C) Vehari

(D) Sahiwal ✓

✓ **Correct Answer: (D) Sahiwal**

Explanation: The ancient Harappan archaeological site is located in Sahiwal District, Punjab, Pakistan.

90 Keenjhar Lake is located in which province?

(A) Baluchistan

(B) Khyber-Pukhtunkhwa

(C) Sindh ✓

(D) Punjab

✓ **Correct Answer: (C) Sindh**

Explanation: Keenjhar (Kalri) Lake, one of the largest freshwater lakes in Pakistan, is located in Sindh province.