

Exam Specification

## Exam Specifications for SSC Part I Annual and Re-sit Examinations 2023 onwards

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## **Introduction:**

As a result of continued uncertainty and staggered opening of schools due to the COVID-19 outbreak, the Aga Khan University Examination Board (AKU-EB) implemented the rationalised examination specifications (MCQs only) in all subjects of SSC and HSSC Annual and Re-sit Examinations of 2021 and 2022 except that of English Compulsory, Urdu Compulsory, Urdu Aasan, Literature in English, Sindhi, Fine Arts and Art and Model Drawing.

However, for the examination year 2023 and onwards, AKU-EB will revert to the original Examination Specifications with changes in the mark distribution in MCQs, CRQs, and ERQs. As a result, for the Examination year 2023 and onwards:

- 1. All topics will be assessed.
- 2. Practical examination will take place, as per practice before rationalisation.
- 3. The distribution of marks among MCQs, CRQs and ERQs have been revised.

The revision in distribution of marks among MCQs, CRQs and ERQs has been done on the basis of analysis of students' performance in MCQ-based papers and following international best practices of using various question types to ensure reliability, validity and fairness.

# Compulsory Subjects

## **English Compulsory SSC Part I**

The English Compulsory Exam for SSC Part I will consist of two papers of 75 marks in total. Paper I will have 30 multiple choice questions to be answered in 60 minutes (1 hour). Paper II will consist of constructed response questions and two extended response essay type questions worth 45 marks to be attempted in 120 minutes (2 hours).

Paper I 30 marks

Paper I will have three separate sections:

- Listening comprehension section will be of 13 marks. It will be of 25 minutes duration which includes the time for listening to the recorded passages. This part will consist of two passages having 6 and 7 MCQs.
- Reading comprehension section will be of 13 marks and 25 minutes long. This part will consist of two passages having 6 and 7 MCQs.
- Grammar section will be of 4 marks and 10 minutes long. This part will consist of 4
  MCQs based on a Cloze Passage where accuracy of tenses, subject-verb agreement,
  adverbs, modal verbs and prepositions will be checked.

Paper II 45 marks

This paper will be of 45 marks with the following tasks and marks allocation:

- A reading passage followed by constructed response questions
   17 marks
- Informal letter OR informal email (a choice of any ONE of the two) 10 marks
- Essay writing (a choice of any ONE of three descriptive and narrative essays)

18 marks

The candidates will be asked to give an elaborate response to the essay question. Their responses to the writing composition questions will be marked against the given tasks. Rote memorization and reproduction of irrelevant details will be discouraged. Responses will be marked for their content relevance, structure, vocabulary, expression and overall impression.

(Students should **NOT** mention their names, names of their schools or any other form of identification anywhere in the examination paper)

## **Urdu Compulsory SSC Part I**

اُردولاز می کاامتحان دو پر چوں پر مشتمل ہو گاجن کے کل نمبر 75 ہوں گے پر چہ اوّل میں 30 نمبر کے کثیر الانتخابی سوالات ہوں گے جن کے جو ابات 50 منٹ میں دینے ہوں گے۔ پر چہدوم 5 موضوعی / تحریری مخضر / فن تحریر سے متعلق سوالات پر مشتمل ہو گااور جن کے نمبر 45 ہوں گے،ان سوالات کے جوابات 130 منٹ میں دینے ہوں گے۔اس طرح بیرامتحانی پر جیہ 180منٹ پر مشتمل ہو گا۔

مندرجہ ذیل حصوں اور نمبروں کی تخصیص کے ساتھ یہ پرچہ 30 نمبر کا ہوگا۔

| R)اقتباسات كوسننه كاونت       | پرچپہ16 نمبر کاہو گاجس کا دورانیہ 25منٹ کاہو گا۔ جس میں ریکارڈیڈ (ecorded      | 🖈 سمعی تفهیم کا                 | سننے کی مہارت  |
|-------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|----------------|
| كے)جس میں 16 كثير الانتخابی   | ھتے میں دوسمعی اقتباسات ہوں گے (جو مجموعه ُ نظم و نثر سے نہیں لیے گئے ہوں گ    | شامل ہے۔اس                      | 3'             |
| (16 نمبر)                     | -6   | سوالات ہوں گے                   |                |
| و تفهیمی اقتباسات ہوں گے جو   | ں کی عبارت / حصتہ ننژ 14 نمبر کا ہو گا جس کا دورانیہ 25منٹ ہو گا۔اس حصے میں دو | 🖈 تفهیی خواندگ                  | پڑھنے کی مہارت |
| ِ نظم و نثر سے نہیں لیے جائیں | ں شامل ادباو شعر ا کی ان تحقیقات پر مشتمل ہوں گے جو شاملِ نصاب نہیں (مجموعہ    | مجموعه نظم ونثر م <sup>یر</sup> |                |
| (14 نمبر)                     | ہ اقتباسات سے چو دہ (14) کثیر الا نتخابی سوالات پوچھیں جائیں گے۔               |                                 |                |

تفصیل پرچہ دوم: مندرجہ ذیل حصّوں اور نمبر وں کی شخصیص کے ساتھ یہ پرچہ 45 نمبر کا ہو گا۔

| (7نمبر)<br>(8نمبر) | حصته منٹر:<br>زی خیال، خصوصیاتِ تحریر / عنوانات کے تعلّی مقاصد پر مبنی سوالات<br>حصته منظم:<br>کے سوالات مر کزی خیال، شاعر کی خصوصیات،اصطلاحات، اشعار اور بند کے مفہوم پر مبنی ہوں گے۔  | √<br>\$ | پڑھنے کی مہارت<br>از<br>مجموعہ <sup>رنظ</sup> م ونثر |
|--------------------|---|---------|--|
| 1                  | تبحرہ نگاری / خلاصہ نگاری<br>فن تحریر / تخلیقی تحریر: کسی ایک نفس مضمون (theme) کے تحت کہانی / تصویری کہانی / روداہ<br>اصناف میں سے دواصناف دی جائیں گی جن میں سے کسی ایک صنف پر طالب علم کو لکھنے کا حق حاصل ہو مخیر رسمی خط | ☆       | کلھنے کی مہارت                                       |

## **Urdu Aasan SSC Part I**

اُردو آسان کا امتحان دویر چوں پر مشتمل ہو گاجن کے کل نمبر 75 ہوں گے۔ پر چہ اوّل میں 30 نمبر کے کثیر الانتخابی سوالات ہوں گے جن کے جوابات 50منٹ میں دینے ہوں گے۔ پر چہ دوم 5 موضوعی و تحریری' مجموعہ تظم و نثر 'ار دوادب' (نصابی کتاب)؛ مختصراً و وضاحتی جواب، زبان شاسی و قواعد، تخلیقی تحریر: مضمون، کہانی و مکالمہ اور مہارتِ حیات: مکتوب نگاری و درخواست نولیی' سے متعلق سوالات پر مشتمل ہو گا اور جن کے نمبر 45ہوں گے ان سوالات کے جوابات 130 منٹ میں دینے ہوں گے۔اس طرح مجموعی طور پر بیرامتحان 180منٹ پر مشتمل ہو گا۔

## تفصيل برجيه اوّل:

درج ذیل حصول اور نمبر ول کی تخصیص کے ساتھ یہ پرچپہ 30 نمبر اور 50 منٹ کاہو گا۔

| باسات (آواز) کوسننے    | 🖈 سمعی تفهیم کاامتحان 16 نمبر کاہو گا۔ اس کا دورانیہ 25 منٹ ہو گا جس میں محفوظ شدہ (Recorded) اقت             | سننے کی مہارت  |
|------------------------|---|----------------|
| گے۔اس ھے میں 16        | کاوفت شامل ہے۔اس حقے میں دوسمعی اقتباسات ہوں گے جو کہ مجموعہ ُنظم و نثر سے نہیں لیے گئے ہوں۔                  |                |
| (16 نمبر)              | کثیر الا متحالی سوالات ہوں گے۔ ہر اقتباس 08 کثیر الا نتخابی سوالات پر مبنی ہو گا۔                             |                |
| ئے تفہیم ہوں گے جو     | 🖈 تفهیمی خواندگی کا امتحان 14 نمبر کا ہو گا۔ اس کا دورانیہ 25منٹ ہو گا جس میں دوخوانی اقتباسات 'نثر' بر ا     | پڑھنے کی مہارت |
| . منتخب كر ده اقتباسات | مجموعه ُ نظم و نثر میں شامل ادباو شعر اک ان تخلیقات پر مشتمل ہوں گے جو کہ مجموعه ُ نظم و نثر کا حصہ نہیں ہیں۔ |                |
| (14 نمبر)              | سے 14 کثیر الا نتخابی سوالات پوچھیں جائیں گے۔ ہر تفہیمی اقتباس 07 کثیر الا نتخابی سوالات پر مبنی ہو گا۔       |                |

تفصیل پرچه دوم: درج ذیل حصّوں اور نمبروں کی تخصیص کے ساتھ بیہ پرچپہ 45 نمبر اور 130·

| (10 نمبر)      | حقته نثر:  | ☆                                | مجموعه نظم ونثر      |
|----------------|--|----------------------------------|----------------------|
| (10نمبر)       | حصته نظم:  | $\stackrel{\wedge}{\Rightarrow}$ | 'اردوادب'            |
|                | فرمایئے!حاصلاتِ تعلم کے تناظر میں سوالات ترتیب دیے جائیں گے۔)  | (توجه                            | (نصابی کتاب)         |
| (07نبر)        | دیے گئے الفاظ، مرکبات، محاورات اور جملوں کو ہدایات کے مطابق ترتیب و تبدیل اور تخلیق دیناہو گا۔                         | ☆                                | زبان شاسی            |
|                | مضمون نگاری کے حوالے سے دوعنوانات دیے جائیں گے جن میں سے ایک عنوان پر مضمون لکھناہو گا۔                                | ☆                                | تخلیقی تحریر         |
|                |  | 7                                | انشاپر دازی:         |
| ذہوئے کہانی یا | کہانی نویس اور مکالمہ نگاری کے حوالے سے ایک تصویری خاکہ دیا جائے گا جس کے جزئیات کو ملحوظ (کھنے                        | *                                | مضمون، کہانی ومکالمہ |
|                | مكالمه تحرير كرنامو گا_  |                                  |                      |
| ماصل ہو گا۔)   | فرمایئے! <b>ن</b> د کورہ بالا اصناف میں سے کسی بھی ایک صنف وعنوان پر تحریر قلم بند کرنے کے ا <sup>ب</sup> تخاب کا حق ح | (توجه                            |                      |
| (10 نمبر)      |  |                                  | مهارت ِحیات:         |
| (08نمبر)       | م <b>کتوب نگاری</b> (غیر رسمی خط) یا <b>درخواست نولیی</b> کے حوالے سے کوئی ایک موضوع دیا جائے گا۔                      | ☆                                | مکتوب نگاری و        |
|                |  |                                  | درخواست نولیی        |

## Pakistan Studies SSC Part I

| Topic<br>No. | Topics                                       |      | Marks Distribution       |                         |       |
|--------------|--|------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------|
|              |  | MCQs | CRQs                     | ERQs                    | Marks |
| 1.           | Ideological Basis of Pakistan                | 3    | Total 3 Marks<br>(1 CRQ) |                         | 6     |
| 2.           | Historical Background 1857-<br>1935          | 2    |                          |                         | 2     |
| 3.           | Emergence of Pakistan                        | 7    | Total 3 Marks<br>(1 CRQ) | 6 Marks                 | 20    |
| 5.           | Resources of Pakistan                        | 9    | Total 4 Marks<br>(1 CRQ) | Choose any ONE from TWO | 29    |
| 4.           | Land, Climate and<br>Environment of Pakistan | 9    | Total 4 Marks<br>(1 CRQ) |                         | 13    |
|              | Total  | 30   | <b>614</b>               | 6                       | 50    |

- Multiple Choice Question (MCQ) requires candidates to choose one best/ correct answer from four options for each question. Each MCQ carries ONE mark.
- Constructed Response Question (CRQ) requires students to respond with a short text (few phrases/sentences), calculations or diagrams.
- Extended Response Question (ERQ) requires students to answer in a more descriptive form. The answer should be in paragraph form, with diagrams where needed, and address all parts of the question.

## Islamiyat SSC Part I

| Total | Mai                                   | ks Distribution          |      | Topics                       | Topic<br>No. |
|-------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|------|------------------------------|--------------|
| Marks | ERQs                                  | CRQs                     | MCQs |                              |              |
| 16    |                                       | Total 5 Marks<br>(1 CRQ) | 11   | قر آنِ مجيد                  | 1.           |
| 10    |                                       | Total 4 Marks<br>(1 CRQ) | 6    | حدیث شریف                    | 2.5          |
| 21    | 6 Marks<br>Choose any ONE<br>from TWO | Total 5 Marks<br>(1 CRQ) | 10   | مروضوعاتی مطالعه             | 3.           |
| 3     |                                       |                          | 3    | ہدایت کے سرچشم /مشاہیر اسلام | 4.           |
| 50    | 6                                     | 14                       | 30   | کل گ                         |              |

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## **Ethics SSC Part I**

| Topic<br>No. | Topics                       |           | Marks Distribution        |                         |       |
|--------------|------------------------------|-----------|---------------------------|-------------------------|-------|
|              |                              | MCQs CRQs |                           | ERQs                    | Marks |
| 1.           | Introduction to Ethics       | 7         | Total 4 Marks<br>(1 CRQ)  |                         | 11    |
| 2.           | Major Religions of the World | 10        | Total 4 Marks<br>(1 CRQ)  | 6 Marks                 | 20    |
| 3.           | Values and Etiquettes        | 13        | Total 6 Marks<br>(2 CRQs) | Choose any ONE from TWO | 39    |
|              | Total                        | 30        | 14                        | 6                       | 50    |

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## Science Elective Subjects

## **Physics SSC Part I**

| Topic No. | Topics                                 |      | Marks Distribution       |                         |       |  |
|-----------|--|------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------|--|
|           |  | MCQs | CRQs                     | ERQs                    | Marks |  |
| 1.        | Physical Quantities and<br>Measurement | 4    | Total 2 Marks<br>(1 CRQ) |                         | 6     |  |
| 2.        | Kinematics                             | 5    |                          | 6 Marks                 | 16    |  |
| 3.        | Dynamics                               | 5    |                          | Choose any ONE from TWO | 10    |  |
| 4.        | Turning Effect of Forces               | 4    | Total 3 Marks<br>(1 CRQ) |                         | 7     |  |
| 5.        | Gravitation                            | 4    | Total 2 Marks<br>(1 CRQ) |                         | 6     |  |
| 6.        | Work and Energy                        | 5    |                          | 6 Marks                 | 16    |  |
| 7.        | Properties of Matter                   | 5    |                          | Choose any ONE from TWO | 10    |  |
| 8.        | Thermal Properties of Matter           | 4    | Total 3 Marks<br>(1 CRQ) |                         | 7     |  |
| 9.        | Transfer of Heat                       | 2014 | Total 3 Marks (1 CRQ)    |                         | 7     |  |
|           | Total                                  | 40   | 13                       | 12                      | 65    |  |
|           | Practical*                             |      |                          |                         | 10    |  |
| _         | Total                                  |      |                          |                         | 75    |  |

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- Practical examination will be based on the list of practical activities given in the examination syllabus. Schools may design their own practical manuals based on these activities.
- Practical journal/ portfolio should be developed by students and endorsed by a figure of authority, such as a teacher or principal, and submitted at the time of the practical examination.
- It is essential for each school to equip its laboratories with chemicals, instruments, apparatus, specimens etc. according to the requirements of the practical activities. Each school will be responsible to make sure that each student is provided the opportunity to do the practical activities.

## **Biology SSC Part I**

| Topic No. | Topics                       | Marks Distribution |                          |                         | Total |
|-----------|------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------|
|           |                              | MCQs               | CRQs                     | ERQs                    | Marks |
| 1.        | Introduction to Biology      | 2                  | Total 2 Marks<br>(1 CRQ) |                         | 4     |
| 2.        | Solving a Biological Problem | 2                  | Total 3 Marks<br>(1 CRQ) |                         | 5     |
| 3.        | Biodiversity                 | 4                  | Total 3 Marks<br>(1 CRQ) |                         | 7     |
| 4.        | Cells and Tissues            | 6                  |                          | 6 Marks                 | 18    |
| 7.        | Bioenergetics                | 6                  |                          | Choose any ONE from TWO | 16    |
| 5.        | Gaseous Exchange             | 5                  | Total 3 Marks<br>(1 CRQ) |                         | 8     |
| 6.        | Enzymes                      | 3                  | Total 2 Marks<br>(1 CRQ) |                         | 5     |
| 8.        | Nutrition and Digestion      | 6                  |                          | 6 Marks                 | 18    |
| 9.        | Transport                    | 6                  |                          | Choose any ONE from TWO | 16    |
|           | Total                        | 40                 | 13                       | 12                      | 65    |
|           | Practical*                   |                    |                          |                         | 10    |
|           | Total                        |                    |                          |                         | 75    |

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## **Chemistry SSC Part I**

| Topic<br>No. | Topics                         |      | Marks Distribution       |                         |       |  |
|--------------|--------------------------------|------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------|--|
|              |                                | MCQs | CRQs                     | ERQs                    | Marks |  |
| 1.           | Fundamentals of Chemistry      | 5    |                          | 6 Marks                 | 1.6   |  |
| 6.           | Solutions                      | 5    |                          | Choose any ONE from TWO | 16    |  |
| 2.           | Atomic Structure               | 5    | Total 3 Marks<br>(1 CRQ) |                         | 8     |  |
| 3.           | Periodic Table and Periodicity | 5    | Total 3 Marks<br>(1 CRQ) |                         | 8     |  |
| 5.           | States of Matter               | 5    | Total 3 Marks (1 CRQ)    |                         | 8     |  |
| 4.           | Structure of Molecules         | 5    |                          | 6 Marks                 | 1.6   |  |
| 7.           | Electrochemistry               | 5    |                          | Choose any ONE from TWO | 16    |  |
| 8.           | Chemical Reactivity            | 5    | Total 4 Marks<br>(1 CRQ) |                         | 9     |  |
|              | Total                          | 40   | 13                       | 12                      | 65    |  |
|              | Practical*                     |      |                          |                         | 10    |  |
|              | Total                          |      |                          |                         | 75    |  |

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## **Mathematics SSC Part I**

| Topic<br>No. | Topics  | Marks Distribution |   | Total |
|--------------|---|--------------------|---|-------|
|              |   | MCQs               | CRQs  | Marks |
| 1.           | Sets and Functions  | 6                  | Total 3 Marks<br>(1 CRQ)                    | 9     |
| 2.           | Real and Complex Numbers                                    | 4                  |   | 4     |
| 3.           | Logarithms  | 5                  | Total 3 Marks<br>(1 CRQ)                    | 218   |
| 4.           | Algebraic Expressions and Algebraic Formulae                | 6                  | Total 4 Marks<br>Choose any ONE<br>from TWO | 10    |
| 5.           | Factorisation   | 7                  | Total 4 Marks<br>Choose any ONE<br>from TWO | 11    |
| 6.           | Variations  | 4                  | Total 3 Marks<br>(1 CRQ)                    | 7     |
| 7.           | Matrices and Determinants                                   | 6                  | Total 4 Marks<br>(1 CRQ)                    | 10    |
| 8.           | Practical Geometry-Triangles                                |                    | Total 3 Marks<br>(1 CRQ)                    | 3     |
| 9.           | Congruent Triangles   |                    |   |       |
| 10.          | Parallelograms and Triangles                                |                    |   |       |
| 11.          | Line Bisectors and Angle<br>Bisectors                       | 7                  | Total 6 Marks<br>Choose any TWO             | 13    |
| 12.          | Sides and Angles of a Triangle                              |                    | from THREE                                  |       |
| 13.          | Application of Ratio and Proportion in Geometrical Theorems |                    |   |       |
| S            | Total   | 45                 | 30  | 75    |

 Multiple Choice Question (MCQ) requires candidates to choose one best/ correct answer from four options for each question. Each MCQ carries ONE mark.

• Constructed Response Question (CRQ) requires students to respond with a short text (few phrases/sentences), calculations or diagrams.

## **Computer Science SSC Part I**

| Topic No. | Topics   |      | Marks Distribution       |                                       |       |
|-----------|--|------|--------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------|
|           |  | MCQs | CRQs                     | ERQs                                  | Marks |
| 1.        | Basics of Computer   | 11   |                          | 6 Marks<br>Choose any ONE<br>from TWO | 17    |
| 2.        | Basics of Operating System                                       | 5    | Total 4 Marks<br>(1 CRQ) |                                       | 9     |
| 3.        | Office Automation I (MS Word 2007 or Above)                      | 4    |                          |                                       | 4     |
| 4.        | Fundamentals of Data<br>Communication                            | 7    | Total 2 Marks<br>(1 CRQ) | 6 Marks                               | 24    |
| 5.        | Fundamentals of Computer<br>Networks                             | 7    | Total 2 Marks<br>(1 CRQ) | Choose any ONE from TWO               | 2.    |
| 6.        | World Wide Web (WWW)<br>and Hyper Text Markup<br>Language (HTML) | 6    | Total 5 Marks<br>(1 CRQ) |                                       | 11    |
|           | Total  | 40   | 13                       | 12                                    | 65    |
|           | Practical*   |      |                          |                                       | 10    |
|           | Total  |      |                          |                                       | 75    |

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- Practical examination will be conducted separate from the theory paper.
- Practical examination will be based on the list of practical activities given in the examination syllabus. Schools may design their own practical manuals based on these activities.
- Practical journal/ portfolio should be developed by students and endorsed by a figure of authority, such as a teacher or principal, and submitted at the time of the practical examination.
- It is essential for each school to equip its laboratories with chemicals, instruments, apparatus, specimens etc. according to the requirements of the practical activities. Each school will be responsible to make sure that each student is provided the opportunity to do the practical activities.

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## **General Science SSC Part I**

| Topic<br>No. | Topics                                 | Marks Distribution |  |                                       | Total |
|--------------|--|--------------------|--|---------------------------------------|-------|
|              |  | MCQs               | CRQs   | ERQs                                  | Marks |
| 1.           | History and Nature of Science          | 3                  | Total 3 Marks<br>(1 CRQ)                     | 5 Marks                               | 17    |
| 4.           | Population and Environment             | 3                  | Total 3 Marks<br>(1 CRQ)                     | Choose any ONE from TWO               | 1/    |
| 2.           | Our Life and Chemistry                 | 8                  | Total 4 Marks<br>(1 CRQ)                     | Adjor                                 |       |
| 3.           | Human Health, Diseases and Preventions | 8                  | Total 4 Marks (1 CRQ)  Total 3 Marks (1 CRQ) | 5 Marks<br>Choose any ONE<br>from TWO | 32    |
| 5.           | Energy Sources                         | 6                  | Total 4 Marks<br>(1 CRQ)                     | 5 Marks                               | 26    |
| 6.           | Electricity in Everyday Life           | 77.0               | Total 4 Marks<br>(1 CRQ)                     | Choose any ONE from TWO               | 20    |
|              | Total                                  | 35                 | 25   |                                       | 75    |

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## **Food and Nutrition SSC Part I**

| Topic No. | Topics  | Marks Distribution |                          |                         | Total |
|-----------|---|--------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------|
|           |   | MCQs               | CRQs                     | ERQs                    | Marks |
| 1.        | Introduction to the study of Food and Nutrition | 8                  | Total 3 Marks<br>(1 CRQ) |                         | 11    |
| 2.        | Energy and Nutrients                            | 10                 | Total 3 Marks<br>(1 CRQ) | 6 Marks                 | 28    |
| 3.        | Balanced Diet                                   | 6                  | Total 3 Marks<br>(1 CRQ) | Choose any ONE from TWO | 20    |
| 4.        | Nutrient Composition                            | 8                  | Total 2 Marks (1 CRQ)    | 6 Marks                 | 26    |
| 5.        | Preparation and Cooking                         | 8                  | Total 2 Marks (1 CRQ)    | Choose any ONE from TWO | 26    |
|           | Total   | 40                 | 13                       | 12                      | 65    |
|           | Practical*                                      |                    | OD                       |                         | 10    |
|           | Total   | .021               | ) /                      |                         | 75    |

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## **Elements of Home Economics SSC Part I**

| Topic<br>No. | Topics  |      | Marks Distribution       |                         |       |
|--------------|---|------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------|
|              |   | MCQs | CRQs                     | ERQs                    | Marks |
| 1            | Introduction to Home<br>Economics                       | 4    | Total 4 Marks (1 CRQ)    | 5 Marks                 | 17    |
| 7            | Behavioral Problems of<br>Children                      | 4    |                          | Choose any ONE from TWO | 17    |
| 2            | Introduction to Food and Nutrition                      | 6    | Total 4 Marks (1 CRQ)    |                         | 10    |
| 3            | Understanding of Food and Diet                          | 4    | Total 3 Marks (1 CRQ)    | 5 Marks                 | 21    |
| 4            | Food Preparation  | 5    | Total 4 Marks<br>(1 CRQ) | Choose any ONE from TWO | 21    |
| 6            | Developmental Characteristics                           | 4    | Total 4 Marks<br>(1 CRQ) |                         | 8     |
| 5            | Introduction to Child Care and Development              | 1114 | Total 3 Marks (1 CRQ)    | 5 Marks                 | 19    |
| 8            | Role of Family and<br>Community in Human<br>Development | 4    | Total 3 Marks<br>(1 CRQ) | Choose any ONE from TWO | 19    |
|              | Total   | 35   | 25                       | 15                      | 75    |

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## **Environmental Studies SSC Part I**

| Topic<br>No. | Topics   | Marks Distribution |                           |                                       | Total |
|--------------|--|--------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------|
|              |  | MCQs               | CRQs                      | ERQs                                  | Marks |
| 1.           | Fundamentals of<br>Environmental Studies       | 4                  | Total 3 Marks<br>(1 CRQ)  | 5 Marks                               | 21    |
| 2.           | Our Planet – Earth                             | 5                  | Total 4 Marks<br>(1 CRQ)  | Choose any ONE from TWO               | 21    |
| 3.           | Ecosystem                                      | 10                 | Total 4 Marks (1 CRQ)     | 5 Marks<br>Choose any ONE<br>from TWO | 19    |
| 4.           | Population Growth, Development and Environment | 5                  | Total 4 Marks<br>(1 CRQ)  |                                       | 9     |
| 5.           | Air, Water and Land Pollution                  | 6                  | Total 6 Marks<br>(2 CRQs) | 5 Marks                               | 26    |
| 6.           | Noise and Radiation Pollution                  | 5                  | Total 4 Marks<br>(1 CRQ)  | Choose any ONE from TWO               | 20    |
|              | Total  | 35                 | 25                        | 15                                    | 75    |

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## **General Mathematics SSC Part I**

| Topic No. | Topics                              | Ma   | rks Distribution                            | Total |
|-----------|-------------------------------------|------|---|-------|
|           |                                     | MCQs | CRQs  | Marks |
| 1.        | Percentage, Ratio and Proportion    | 8    | Total 3 Marks<br>Choose any ONE             | 11    |
| 2.        | Zakat, Ushr and Inheritance         | O    | from TWO                                    |       |
| 3.        | Business Mathematics                | 5    | Total 4 Marks<br>(1 CRQ)                    |       |
| 4.        | Sets and Functions                  | 5    | Total 3 Marks<br>(1 CRQ)                    | 8     |
| 5.        | Exponents and logarithms            | 7    | Total 3 Marks<br>(1 CRQ)                    | 10    |
| 6.        | Algebraic Formulae and Applications | 6    | Total 4 Marks<br>(1 CRQ)                    | 10    |
| 7.        | Factorisation                       | 5    | Total 4 Marks Choose any ONE from TWO       | 9     |
| 8.        | Linear Graphs                       | 3    | Total 3 Marks<br>(1 CRQ)                    | 6     |
| 9.        | Matrices and Determinants           | 6    | Total 3 Marks<br>Choose any ONE<br>from TWO | 9     |
| 10.       | Practical Geometry                  |      | Total 3 Marks<br>(1 CRQ)                    | 3     |
|           | Total Marks                         | 45   | 30  | 75    |

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- Constructed Response Question (CRQ) requires students to respond with a short text (few phrases/sentences), calculations or diagrams.

## **Civics SSC Part I**

| Topic<br>No. | Topics                  | Marks Distribution |                           |  | Total     |
|--------------|-------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|--|-----------|
|              |                         | MCQs               | CRQs                      | ERQs                                   | Marks     |
| 1.           | Introduction to Civics  | 14                 | Total 5 Marks<br>(2 CRQs) |  | 19        |
| 2.           | Scope of Civics         | 14                 | Total 5 Marks<br>(2 CRQs) | 10 Marks<br>Choose any ONE<br>from TWO | 29        |
| 3.           | Citizen and Citizenship | 12                 | Total 5 Marks<br>(2 CRQs) | 10 Marks<br>Choose any ONE<br>from TWO | 27        |
|              | Total                   | 40                 | 15                        | 20                                     | <b>75</b> |

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## **Principles of Accounting SSC Part I**

| Topic No. | Topics   | Mai  | Total                      |       |
|-----------|--|------|----------------------------|-------|
|           |  | MCQs | CRQs                       | Marks |
| 1.        | Introduction to Accounting                       | 5    | Total 8 Marks<br>(2 CRQs)  | 13    |
| 2.        | Accounting Cycle                                 | 8    | Total 10 Marks<br>(2 CRQs) | 18    |
| 3.        | Books of Prime Entry/ Books of<br>Original Entry | 4    | Total 9 Marks<br>(2 CRQs)  | 13    |
| 4.        | Special Journal and Control<br>Accounts          | 5    | Total 8 Marks<br>(2 CRQs)  | 13    |
| 5.        | Depreciation and Bad Debts                       | 8    | Total 10 Marks<br>(2 CRQs) | 18    |
|           | Total  | 30   | 45                         | 75    |

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- Constructed Response Question (CRQ) requires students to respond with a short text (few phrases/ sentences), calculations or diagrams.

## **Business Studies SSC Part I**

| Topic<br>No. | Topics                               | Marks Distribution |                           |                         | Total |
|--------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|-------|
|              |                                      | MCQs               | CRQs                      | ERQs                    | Marks |
| 1.           | Introduction to Business<br>Activity | 9                  | Total 7 Marks<br>(2 CRQs) |                         | 16    |
| 2.           | Business Organisation                | 9                  | Total 6 Marks<br>(2 CRQs) | 7 Marks                 | 26    |
| 4.           | Accounting and Finance               | 9                  | Total 5 Marks<br>(2 CRQs) | Choose any ONE from TWO | 36    |
| 3.           | Production                           | 5                  | Total 5 Marks<br>(2 CRQs) |                         | 10    |
| 5.           | Marketing                            | 8                  | Total 5 Marks<br>(2 CRQs) |                         | 13    |
|              | Total                                | 40                 | 28                        | 7                       | 75    |

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- Constructed Response Question (CRQ) requires students to respond with a short text (few phrases/sentences), calculations or diagrams.
- Extended Response Question (ERQ) requires students to answer in a more descriptive form. The answer should be in paragraph form, with diagrams where needed, and address all parts of the question.

## **Economics SSC Part I**

| Topic No. | Торіс   | Marks Distribution |                           |                         | Total |
|-----------|---|--------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|-------|
|           |   | MCQs               | CRQs                      | ERQs                    | Marks |
| 1.        | Basic Concept of Economics                          | 7                  | Total 4 Marks<br>(1 CRQ)  |                         | 11    |
| 2.        | Introduction of Economics                           | 4                  | Total 4 Marks<br>(1 CRQ)  |                         | 8     |
| 3.        | Demand  | 8                  | Total 6 Marks<br>(2 CRQs) |                         | 14    |
| 4.        | Supply  | 7                  | Total 4 Marks (1 CRQ)     |                         | 11    |
| 5.        | Market Equilibrium and Price Determination          | 3                  | Total 3 Marks<br>(1 CRQ)  | 7 Marks                 | 21    |
| 7.        | Economic Problems of Pakistan and Remedial Measures | 5                  | Total 3 Marks<br>(1 CRQ)  | Choose any ONE from TWO | 21    |
| 6.        | Production and Factors of Production                | 6                  | Total 4 Marks<br>(1 CRQ)  |                         | 10    |
|           | Total   | 40                 | 28                        | 7                       | 75    |

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## **Art and Model Drawing SSC Part I**

| Topic<br>No. | Topics  | Marks Distribution |  |  | Total |
|--------------|---|--------------------|--|--|-------|
|              |   | MCQs               | ERQs   | Portfolio*   | Marks |
| 1.           | Fundamentals of Drawing,<br>Painting and Design | 4                  | 20 Marks each (2 ERQs) Choose any ONE from TWO | 5 pieces of<br>artwork to be<br>submitted at the<br>time of    |       |
| 2.           | Creativity and Artistic Expressions             | 8                  |  | examination<br>which represents<br>all the medium              | 75    |
| 3.           | Art Appreciation                                | 8                  |  | (submission of<br>work created<br>under 4.1.3 is<br>mandatory) |       |
|              | Total   | 20                 | 40   | 15   | 75    |

- Multiple Choice Question (MCQ) requires candidates to choose one best/ correct answer from four options for each question. Each MCQ carries ONE mark.
- Extended Response Questions (ERQ) will require answers to assess skills and techniques of art & model drawing.

## \*Portfolio

- Submission of portfolio is compulsory for all candidates. The assessment of portfolio aims to reflect the artistic development of the candidate based on a selection of his/ her artwork over a period of time. For each candidate, 5 pieces of artwork in various media will be required.
- Portfolio should comprise of work of different media practiced during the school year.
- Portfolio should be developed by students and endorsed by a figure of authority, such as a teacher or principal, and submitted at the time of examination.

## Additional Sub-Subjects Annual and Recisit Frances

## **Literature in English SSC Part I**

The Literature in English Exam for SSC Part I will consist of one paper of three hours duration, carrying 75 marks.

The Literature in English Exam for SSC Part I will be comprised of three sections; novellas, short stories and poetry. Each section will consist of constructed response questions and two extended response questions (a choice will be given in the extended response questions).

## **Section I: (Novellas)**

Section I will have two parts A and B, representing the two recommended novellas. Students will attempt only one of the novellas. This section will be of 25 marks with the following tasks and marks allocation:

A reading passage from the novel followed by constructed response questions. 10 Marks

Two questions based on theme, plot, setting or characters which imply an extended response. Students will have to attempt only one question.

## **Section II: (Short Stories)**

Section II will be of 25 marks with the following tasks and marks allocation:

Constructed response questions from the recommended stories. 10 Marks

Two questions based on theme, plot, setting, symbolism or characters which imply an extended response. Students will have to attempt any one question.

## **Section III: (Poetry)**

Section III will have 25 marks with the following tasks and marks allocation:

Reference to context questions from the recommended poems. 10 Marks

Two questions based on theme, setting, symbolism, figurative language or author's viewpoint which imply an extended response. Students will have to attempt any one question.

15 Marks