

IIFT Entrance Test

November 25, 2007

Bird's Eye View

Total Number of Questions : 150
 Total Time : 120 minutes
 Total Marks : 100
 The Marking Scheme :

Sections	Part	No. of Questions	Marks per Question	Total Marks	Marks Section Wise
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)
Section A	Part I	25 (Q. 1-25)	0.74	18.5	25.54
	Part II	11(Q.26-36)	0.64	7.04	
Section B	Part I	25(Q.37-61)	0.9	22.5	43.04
	Part II	26(Q.62-87)	0.79	20.54	
Section C	Part I	12(Q.88-99)	0.6	20.4	20.4
	Part II	22(Q.100-121)			
Section D	--	29 (Q.122-150)	0.38	11.02	11.02

Negative Marking of 1/3rd of the marks allotted to the questions

Number of Options : 4
 Number of sets Available : 4
 Sections/Sectional Time Limit : There was no sectional time constraint.
 Sectional Break-up

Section No.	Part	Topic	Number of Questions	Marks Per Question	Total Marks	Difficulty Level	Ideal Attempts	Cut-Off Score
A	I	Logical Reasoning	25	0.74	18.5	Easy	12-15	8-11
	II	Business Judgement	11	0.64	7.04	Tough	2-3	
B	I	Mathematical Aptitude	25	0.9	22.5	Moderate	10-12	10-12
	II	Data Interpretation	26	0.79	20.54	Tough	4-5	
C	I	Reading Comprehension	12	0.6	7.2	Moderate	4-5	11-14
	II	English Usage	22	0.6	13.2	Easy	10-12	
D	--	General Awareness	29	0.38	11.02	Tough	12-15	3-4
					100	--	54 - 69	30-33

Expected Overall Cut-Offs : 30-33

We are please to present you the detailed analysis of Indian Institute of Foreign Trade entrance test held on 25th, November 2007. Although IIFT had declared in its brochure on page no. 7 that "The admission test is a multiple choice objective type written test (in English). ...", but with the biggest surprise the actual paper was not of multiple choice like last year. This year the paper was divided into four sections with three sections with two subsections each. There were total 150 questions. One section was on Quantitative Aptitude and Data Interpretation (QA+DI), one was on Logical Reasoning and Business Judgement (LR+BJ), one was on Reading Comprehension and English Usage (RC+EU) and one section was on General Awareness (GA).

The LR and EU section were easy and most of the questions of LR section from PT's Last Lap to CAT material. The QA and RC sections were moderate in difficulty level while the BJ, GA and DI sections were tough.

Logical Reasoning + Business Judgement
Total number of questions : LR - 25, BJ - 12
Marking pattern : QA - 0.9, DI - 0.79

The LR section was easy. Most of the questions were directly from PT material. The questions were based on Data Arrangement, Input/Output, Decision Making, Quantitative Reasoning and Syllogism. There were eleven questions of BJ in the second part of the section. The BJ questions were tough.

Topic	Questions	Difficulty level
Blood Relations	4	Easy
Data Arrangement	6	
Syllogism	4	
Grouping and Conditioning	2	
Quantitative Reasoning	4	
Decision Making	5	
Business Judgement	11	Tough

Quantitative Aptitude + Data Interpretation
Total number of questions : QA - 25, DI - 26
Marking pattern : QA - 0.9, DI - 0.79

There were total 15 questions out of 25 were on Arithmetic, from remaining ten questions 4 were on P & C and Probability and Higher Maths. The questions were moderate. In DI all the questions were based on Tables. The DI section was calculative and tough. The following table gives the detail breakup of the section.

Topic	Questions	Difficulty level
Quantitative Aptitude		
Arithmetic (SI and CI, Numbers, TSD, Work and Time, Percentages, Profit and Loss, Set Theory and Mixtures etc.	15	Moderate
Permutaion and Combination and Probability	4	
Higher Maths (Statistics, Trigonometry, Maxima Minima, Complex Numbers,	6	
Data Interpretation		
Table (five sets)	26	Tough

Reading Comprehension + English Usage
Total number of questions : RC - 12, EU - 22
Marking Pattern : 0.6 marks per question.

In RC + EU section there was three RC passages containing 12 questions in all. The passages were of Easy to Moderate difficulty level and the questions were direct. Analogies, Synonyms, Antonyms, Spelling mistakes, Fill in the blanks, Para Jumbles and sentence correction questions were the part of EU section. The following table represents the details of the section.

Reading Comprehension			
Theme	Length	Questions	Difficulty level
Search Engine - Google	750 words approx.	4	Moderate
Retail Market	850 words approx.	5	Moderate
Dr. Jonas Salk and the invention of first effective vaccine for Polio.	800 words approx.	3	Easy
English Usage			
Topic	Questions	Difficulty level	
Paragraph Arrangement	2	Easy	
Fill in the Blanks	4		
Analogies	3		
Antonyms	4		
Spellings	3		
Sentence Correction	5		

General Awareness
Total number of questions : 29
Marking pattern : 11.02

The General Awareness part was tough. The questions were based on topics like, Awards, Book-Writers, Sports, Country-Capital-Currency, History, Music, Business, Crop production, Country-President etc. Half of the question were in the format of Match the Column. In some match the column type questions, you would get the answers by knowing anyone combination and logically comparing the options given below.

Best Wishes!