

## **XLRI Admission Test**

### **January 03, 2010**

**W**e are pleased to present you the most comprehensive analysis of XLRI Admission Test (XAT) held on January 03, 2010 at 33 cities across India.

This year the test was tough as compared to last year and designed to primarily check the decision making skills of the future managers in a pressure cooker like atmosphere, with its unique negative marking flavour.

This year XAT authorities introduced two changes in the paper –

1. It had fewer questions as compared to XAT 2009 and
2. The scheme of negative marking has changed.

There were as such no surprise factors other than these in the test. The paper was of traditional XAT type.

### **Bird's Eye View**

**Total Number of Questions** – 101

**Total Time** – 120 minutes + 20 minutes for Essay writing

**The Marking Scheme** – The weightage for the correct answer was not given in the test paper. But it was mentioned that “**one fifth of a mark may be deducted for the first five incorrect answer in each section and quarter of a mark for each incorrect answer thereafter.**” That should most probably mean -20% for the first 5 wrong answers and -25% thereafter.

**Total Marks** – Not Mentioned

**Number of Options** – 5

**Sections/Sectional Time Limit** – There were three sections and there was no sectional time constraint.

**Medium of marking** – Pencil

**Sectional Break-up**–

Section	Topic	No. of Ques.
I	Verbal and Logical Ability	31
II	Quantitative Ability and Data Interpretation	40
III	Analytical Reasoning and Decision Making	30

**Expected Cut-Offs** – 30+ marks XLRI Jamshedpur (BM), 28+ marks XLRI Jamshedpur (PM and IR), 27+ marks XIM B, 26 + SP Jain, 24 + GIM and LIBA, 20 + KIAMS, IBA, XISS etc.

**Essay Topic** – Earth provides enough to satisfy every men’s need, but not every men’s greed

## **Detailed Analysis**

<b>Section</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Areas Tested</b>	<b>No. of Ques.</b>	<b>Difficulty Level</b>	<b>Ideal Attempts</b>	<b>Time suggested</b>	<b>Ideal Marks (Assuming one mark for each question and 80% accuracy)</b>
I	Verbal and Logical Ability	English Usage and Reading Comprehension	31	Tough	15 +	35 min.	11 +
II	Data Interpretation and Quantitative Ability	Mathematical Ability, Data Interpretation, Data Sufficiency	40	Moderate	14+	45 min.	11 +
III	Analytical Reasoning + Decision Making	Logical Reasoning, Decision Making	30	Tough	15 +	40 min.	10 +
	<b>Total</b>		<b>101</b>		<b>44+</b>	<b>120 min.</b>	<b>32 +</b>

### **Verbal and Logical Ability** **Total number of questions : 31**

This year the section was concentrated on **Reading Comprehension (RC)** and **English Usage (EU)**. There were **8** questions on **four small passages**. The questions on **Sentence Correction, Para Jumble, Fill in the Blanks, Logical Conclusions, Fact-Inference-Judgement, Type of Arguments, Best Summarizes the idea**, and **Verbal Analogy** were the representative from EU area in the test. The following table is representing the detailed breakup of the section.

<b>Topic</b>	<b>Questions</b>	<b>Difficulty level</b>
Reading Comprehension	Four passages 8 questions	Moderate
Fill in the Blanks	5	Moderate
Para Jumble	2	Tough
Argument	2	Tough
Logical Conclusion / Inference	9	Tough
Verbal Analogy	1	Tough
Best summarizing of idea	3	Moderate to Tough
Fact-Inference-Judgement	1	Tough

## **Quantitative Ability and Data Interpretation**

**Total number of questions : 40**

In QA section there were questions on **Basic Maths, Higher Maths, Data Interpretation** and **Data Sufficiency**. The basic maths questions were on **Numbers, Mixtures, Percentage, Profit and Loss, Time, Speed and Distance, Logic Based Maths, Clocks** and **Geometry**. Whereas the representatives from the Higher Maths were **Permutation and Combination, Probability, Coordinate Geometry, Functions** and **Maxima Minima**. There were four DI sets, containing three questions each. Two questions were on five option standard DS.

The following table represents the detailed breakup of the section –

Topic	Questions	Difficulty level
<b>Basic Maths</b>		
Numbers	2	Easy - LE, Tough - QE
Mixtures	2	Tough
Percentages	3	Moderate to Tough
Profit and Loss	1	Moderate
Time, Speed and Distance	1	Moderate tough
Logic Based Maths	2	Easy
Clocks	1	Moderate
Geometry	2	Moderate
<b>Higher Maths</b>		
Progression / Functions	3	Tough
Probability	2	Easy to Moderate
Permutation and Combination	1	Moderate to Tough
Maxima Minima	1	Moderate
Coordinate Geometry	5	Tough
<b>Data Interpretation</b>		
DI - Table	3	Moderate
DI - Table	3	Moderate to Tough
DI - Caselete - Bond Price	3	Tough
DI - Caselete - Sales of Cars	3	Tough
<b>Data Sufficiency</b>		
5 options - standard	2	Moderate

## **Analytical Reasoning and Decision Making**

**Total number of questions : 31**

In Analytical Reasoning section, there were questions from **Data arrangement** and **Business Judgement**.

Topic	Questions	Difficulty level
Data Arrangement	19 questions 5 sets	Moderate to Tough
Business Judgement	4 Sets, 11 questions	Moderate

## **Expected Cut-Offs**

Assuming one mark for each correct answer

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**Best Wishes for FMS next Sunday!!**

