

CAT-2011 FIRST LOOK

CAT-2011 kicked off amidst lots of speculations. The test did not have too many surprises. It had a total of 60 questions split equally between 2 sections. As per the feedback from various sources, the question sets were different for different students within the same time slot. While the Reasoning and RC sections were same across students, some of the Quantitative Ability and Verbal Ability questions were different for different students. The 1st section of QA and DI had nearly 20 questions from QA and 10 questions from DI. The 2nd section had questions distributed nearly equally among Critical and Logical Reasoning, Reading Comprehension and Verbal Usage.

Most of the QA questions were easy. The DI sets were moderately difficult with 1 or 2 questions being tough on calculations. RC passages were a bit tough and VA questions were medium to difficult. If one can get around 18 questions correct in the 1st section and around 15 questions correct in the 2nd section (with an accuracy of 80%), he / she can make the cut.

Our advice, don't believe in rumors / do speculate too much – you will run into plenty of such stuff at this stage ☺ – and don't completely extrapolate the input above to what could come to you when you take the test yourself. Be prepared for all combinations / difficult levels of questions and attack the paper with a positive frame of mind. All the very best!

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