

MAT 2008 Analysis

The MAT 2008 was no different from previous two MAT. All the sections were critically mixed to check/break students' focus/concentration. MAT 2008 can be classified as easy to moderate in difficulty level. The GK Section was easy, for anybody who reads newspaper regularly, could have attempted 15-20 questions easily.

Quantitative ability was easy as it required direct applications of the formulae.

Verbal Section was moderately difficulty and so was D.I./D.S. No doubt the paper was lengthy but manageable

There were 200 questions (5 Sections) in all and the time allotted was 150 minutes. The five sections were as follows:

- Quantitative Ability
- Data Interpretation & DS
- Logical Reasoning
- Reading Comprehension & English Usage
- General Awareness

Overview of the MAT 2008 Dec. Paper	
Time allotted	150 minutes
Total no. of questions	200
Marking Scheme	1
Sections	5
Number of choices	4
Negative Marking	1/4
Expected Range	80+(excluding GK) for Good Percentile

Overview Of Different Sections			
Sr. No.	Sections	Number of Questions	Difficulty Level
1.	Quantitative Ability	40	Easy
2.	Data Interpretation & DS	40	Easy to Moderate
3.	Logical Reasoning	40	Moderate
4.	Reading Comprehension & English Usage	40	Easy to Moderate
5.	General Awareness	40	Easy

SECTIONAL - ANALYSIS

SECTION I: Quantitative Ability

Sr. No.	Area Tested	Description	No. of Questions	Mark Allotted	Difficulty Level /remarks
Quantitative Ability		Permutation & Combination	1	1	Easy
		Mensuration	4	4	Easy
		Clocks	1	1	Easy
		Trigonometry	3	3	Moderate
		Percentage	4	4	Easy
		SI & CI	2	2	Moderate
		Average	3	3	Easy
		Allegation Mixture	2	2	Easy
		Profit & Loss	2	2	Moderate
		Time Speed & Distance	6	6	Moderate
		Ratio Proportion	7	7	Easy
		Time & Work	4	4	Moderate
		Misc.	1	1	

Evaluation: Questions were based on basic theory of mathematics. Practice of basic books was necessary to solve this section in time.

Comfortable Attempt: 20 to 24 questions in about 30-35 minutes.

Achievable Score: 20+ was an achievable score.

Sr. No.	Area Tested	Description	No. of Questions	Mark Allotted	Difficulty Level /remarks
DI		DS	6	6	Moderate
		Bar Graph	4	4	Moderate
		Data Comparison	7	7	Easy
		Pie Chart	4	4	Easy
		Route Chart	3	3	Easy
		Combinational Graph	12	12	Moderate
		Misc.	4	4	

Evaluation: DS & Data Comparison was easier as compared to pure DI. DI Question were bit lengthy. One could have got a higher score by attempting DI & DS first.

Comfortable Attempt: 20 to 24 questions in about 25-30 minutes.

Achievable Score: 16 + was an achievable score.

SECTION III: Reasoning

Sr. No.	Area Tested	Description	No. of Questions	Mark Allotted	Difficulty Level /remarks
Reasoning Ability		Statement Conclusion	4	4	Easy
		Statement Assumption	4	4	Easy
		Course of action	3	3	Tough
		Evaluating Inference	5	5	Tough
		Series & Coding	7	7	Moderate
		Directions Sense	2	2	Easy
		Mathematical Reasoning	3	3	Moderate
		Blood Relation	2	2	Easy
		Venn Diagram	4	4	Moderate
		AR	6	6	Moderate

Evaluation: This section was a mixture of LR & AR. In order to get a good score in this section one should have attempted a mixture of above two said sections.

Comfortable Attempt: 18 to 20 questions in about 25-30 minutes.

Achievable Score: 14 + was an achievable score.

SECTION IV: Reading Comprehension and Verbal Ability:

Sr. No.	Area Tested	Description	No. of Questions	Mark Allotted	Difficulty Level /remarks
1.	RC	Four Passages	20	20	2 Moderate, 1 Difficult, 1 Easy
2.	Verbal Ability	Sentence Completion	4	4	Moderate
3.	VA	Sentence Rearrangement	4	4	Easy To moderate
4.	VA	Critical Reasoning (Conclusion)	4	4	Average
5.	VA	Analogies	4	4	Average
6.	VA	Grammar (Sentence Correction)	4	4	Difficult

Evaluation: The reading comprehension section didn't require any concentrated reading as there were a few inferential questions. Grammar based questions required general reading as well as the knowledge of basic grammar. Sentence Completion questions and a few critical Reasoning questions were from Bulls Eye Study Material.

Comfortable Attempt: an attempt of about 17-20 Questions in 35 minutes.

Achievable Score: 18+ is an achievable score in this section.

SECTION V: General Awareness

This section required you to be thorough with your knowledge of Geography, Current Literary events as well as Current Affairs.

The section tested general awareness and business GK.

Evaluation: Comfortable Attempt: 10-15 questions in 10 minutes.

Achievable Score: 10+



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