

IBM PAPER ON 24th APRIL AT KOLKATA

Hi guys and girls,

I appeared for the IBM recruitment test on 24th april, 2007 in our campus. Luckily, I got through.

Remember u need to have ur college ID cards or else they might not allow u to sit for the exam. Now there were 3 rounds of qualifying exams...

First round is the aptitude test (55 marks total, cutoff 30 for boys)

So boys u have to be really good at what u do & girls u all can be almost be rest assured if u clear the aptitude test u will get through.

For aptitude test remember the first and most important thing is TIME MANAGEMENT.

Many good students don't make it through the aptitude because they lack this skill. Practice R.S. Aggarwal, it's more than enough for the aptitude.

It has 4 sections in its paper: (1 hr test)

(i) verbal (10 mins)

This will consist of filling up prepositions in the blanks.

e.g. 1. he had been singing for a very long time, but until now he has never been seen ____ the opera house

options: (a)at (b)in (c)on (d)none

2. the sea food did not agree ____ him.

options: (a)with (b)on (c)for (d)in

There will be atleast 2 of these questions.

Then there would be few other 'fill in the blanks'.

Then there is a comprehension. Our passage was from Origin of Species.

It was fairly easy, but don't read the passage first, read the questions first and then find the answers from the passage.

They are mostly in sequential order from passage paragraphs.

This part is easy, u will get through if u have basic knowlege and skills of english.

(ii) Quantitative (25 questions, 30 mins)

This part is fairly easy.

First question was on venn diagrams (credit card holder problem).

Its a bit lengthy but if u can manage it u get 4-5 questions right straight away.

then there are questions on direction, 4-5 questions on data sufficiency, 4-5 ques on replacing 0 and 1 by * & #, age problems etc

They r quite easy just remember the clock is ticking.

(iii) Attention to details (10 mins)

This section be careful...this section is very easy but be attentive to details, I would suggest do this right after the verbal.

There will be 2-3 questions on similarity like

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find any dissimilarity.

then there will problem on relation- father, son like that

then replacing + by *, - by + and so on...

last question will be on case study.

they had given us a criteria list for admission and few biodatas for considering whether their applications will be accepted.

(iv) Technical (10 mins)

this portion will contain checking output, choosing correct answer etc.

It will be based on DBMS, C, unics commands and may few other topics...

Essay writing:

They will provide 15 mins after aptitude test for writing this passage. About 300 words. Now don't think thats enough time, u hardly get any, trust me. Start writing the moment u get the signal, but don't beat around the bush, be clear in expressing ur aptitude marks most probably don't include essay marks. But they do pay importance to this.

128 were selected from 200-220 after aptitude test.

Next is the GD round, ur ideas. Just remember u have to talk.

If u get through this u will face Tech+hr interview ur GD.

Now, this is totally a matter of luck, in which panel u get...

If they ask u technical questions they are generally Not plain easy, so u have to be well prepared in technical, which I was not.

As I had already got a job offer from Cognizant, I wasn't looking forward to any job in IBM. So I hadn't taken any preparation at all.

But U guys don't do this, my interview was mainly on HR so it was easy, though they tried to crack me with stress questions,

but they couldn't.

There were 2 men in my panel,

It was as follows:

me: good afternoon, sir.

sir: good afternoon take ururururur head cool, body language calm and be confident and if u have good communication skills u will get through. The interviewers are always friendly and smiling so u be the same way.

BEST OF LUCK. SEE U ALL IN IBM.