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By devoting equal time to different sections candidates will get desired results in the entrance exam, writes Sujatha Kshirsagar

ith the third edition of the Common University Entrance Test (CUET) scheduled to be conducted in May this year, aspiring students need to ace their preparation and understand the comp-lexities of this comprehen-sive examination to score good marks in this soughtafter undergraduate spot in prestigious government colleges across India.

Following is the information about the exam structure and section-wise strategies of the Common University Entrance Test and how can students balance their class XII studies along with the preparation:

Exam pattern

CUET is divided into three sections and there are specific guidelines for each segment. Section one focuses on 'Language and Reading Comprehension' in which candidates are required to attempt 40 out of 50 questions in each language within 45 minutes. The second section



is related to the domain specific subject area that requires attempting 40 questions out of 50 for each subject within 45 minutes. However, for subjects such as Mathematics, Physics, Computer Science, Accountancy, Economics and Chemistry, the total time that is allowed for at-tempting 40 questions is 60 minutes. Lastly. section three revolves around the domain of General knowledge which requires the students to attempt 50 questions out of 60 within a time frame of 60 minutes. This structured examination format ensures an all-around evaluation across diverse subject areas within specified time constraints.

Language test

To master the language test candidates will need to consistently practice different ty-pes of passages along with fundamentals of grammar and vocabulary. They should approach all types of passa-ges that are factual, literary, and narrative to develop a well-rounded understan-ding. Improving

the speed and ac Exam dates curacy in compre hension by imple menting strategi-

es like skimming for the main idea behind the paragraph, highlighting the details, and picking on the author's tone should be the priority. Regular reading exercises will refine the priority and the property of the priority and ne students' ability to extract

key information efficiently and strengthen their overall awareness skills. Improving upon vocabulary is a must for the students.

Domain-specific test

For this section an in-depth understanding of the sylla-bus of class XII is pivotal. Start by focusing on funda-mental concepts across va-rious subjects, ensuring clarity and depth of knowledge You can utilise problem solving tricks that align with the difficulties of subjects by emphasising application-ba-sed learning. A thorough re-vision of key questions, supplemented by solving previous years' question pa-pers and mock tests will boost students' confidence.

General test section

This section mandates a holistic approach to cover a wi-de range of competencies in-cluding GK, current affairs, and numerical ability.

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