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How to Prepare Reasoning for IBPS RRB Officer Scale I & Office Assistant

The IBPS RRB Recruitment notification for the year 2018 has been released. The online registration started from **8th June 2018** for Officer Scale I & Office Assistant. So, fill up the application form & start your preparation at the earliest. This year IBPS has released approximately **10,000+ vacancies** for the posts of **Officer Scale I, II, III** and **Office Assistant** so there are high chances of your selection. This article on How to Prepare Reasoning for IBPS RRB will give you an insight about the preparation tips and strategies for the Reasoning section.

How to Prepare Reasoning for IBPS RRB

Reasoning section is always a tough nut to crack for many of you. Through various puzzles and questions, this section evaluates the sharpness of your mind. It also tests your capacity for logical thinking and analytic skills. Here, you must solve as many questions as you can accurately in the short-given time. As the questions can be tricky and confusing, you must begin your practice early. This will definitely help you ace Reasoning in IBPS RRB actual exam.

There are multiple things you should take care of in your preparations. Here, we will tell you important tips to prepare comprehensively the Reasoning section.

1. Reasoning for IBPS RRB - Weightage for Topics

There are many topics that can come in the Reasoning section of IBPS RRB Exam 2018. Our experts have analyzed past trends in previous exams and suggested the weightage for each topic. Knowing how much importance each topic has allows you to systematize your studies and save time efficiently in doing questions that can get you more marks.

Topic	Weightage (No. of Qs)
Coded Inequalities	5
Syllogisms	5
Coding & Decoding	5



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Circular Seating Arrangement	5
Linear Seating Arrangement	5
Blood Relations	2 - 5
Directions & Distances	1 - 3
Ordering & Ranking	2 - 3
Arrangement & Pattern	3 - 6
Double Lineup	5
Scheduling	5
Analytical Decision Making	0 - 5
Classification	0 - 1
Alphabet Series	1 - 5
Floor Puzzle	3 - 5
Data Sufficiency	4 - 5

Every preparation needs a full knowledge about the syllabus. It will help you prioritize topics and prepare a schedule for easy studies. Therefore, before you begin your preparation go through this article on the detailed syllabus of IBPS RRB exam given below.

Detailed IBPS RRB Syllabus for 2018 Exam

2. How to Prepare Easy Topics in Reasoning for IBPS RRB

Certain topics in IBPS RRB exam are easier & less time consuming. These topics include **Coded Inequalities, Syllogisms, Coding & Decoding, Analytical Decision Making, Alphabet Series and Classification.**

- The questions from these topics **can be solved very quickly**. Furthermore, the high accuracy is possible in these chapters.
- Read some general tips about these topics to have a thorough understanding of the questions you can have:
 - **Concepts of Syllogism, Shortcut to Solve Coding Decoding, Letter Shifting Problems in Coding Decoding, Tips for Coded Inequality.**
- Due to their easiness, daily practising few sums will ensure full scoring. For this, you should try giving some quizzes on the topics:

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- [Quiz for Coded Inequalities, Quiz for Syllogisms, Quiz for Coding & Decoding, Quiz for Analogy, Quiz for Classification.](#)
- Easy topics don't take much effort in practice. This will allow you to focus on the harder questions and save your precious time.

3. How to Prepare Moderate Topics in Reasoning for IBPS RRB

There are some topics in these exams that are of moderate level. These are asked for more marks. These are questions from the topics such as **Blood Relations, Directions & Distances, Ordering & Ranking, Arrangement & Pattern, Floor Puzzle and Scheduling**. The weightage for the topics is moderate to high. Since there are a lot of questions, there are more chances of acing these questions.

- These topics are the ones which would be easiest to solve **WHILE** being for more marks. Therefore, you must **solve as many as you can** in the exam.
- A lot of these **questions require proper techniques and step-by-step solving**. Come out with your own tricks for the sums you find.
- These questions **can be very tricky so you need to be attentive**.
- The topics are also time consuming. Practice various tests beforehand to know how much time you spend on each question.
- You can solve the practice tests here:
 - [Blood Relation Quiz, Direction and Distance Quiz, Ordering and Ranking Quiz, Arrangement and Pattern Quiz, Scheduling Quiz.](#)
- For more information about these topics, you can also read our articles on the topic that will clarify the the nature of these questions for you:
 - [Understanding Complex Blood Relations, General Understanding of Blood Relations, Tricks for Ordering & Ranking, Tricks for Direction & Distance.](#)
- If you are able to solve these questions easily, you can devote more time to other sections. All you **need for this is daily practice**.

4. How to Prepare Difficult Topics in Reasoning for IBPS RRB

Every exam has questions are the most difficult. Obviously, IBPS RRB follows the same trend. In the exam for Officer Scale I and Office Assistant, the topics with high difficulty level are: **Circular Seating Arrangement, Linear Sitting Arrangement, Double Lineup, Data Sufficiency**. These topics have the most weightage. They are also most likely to be the ones which are puzzle-like.

- All arrangement questions **require a lot of daily practice**.



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- They are very time consuming. Hence, an **effective time management strategy must be prepared** before the exam.
- They require clean charting with **proper technique and step-by-step solving**.
- Since these questions are puzzle-like, they can be quite tricky. However, moderate to high accuracy is still possible.
- You need to **do the questions that you are familiar with first and know the best**. This will not only give you confidence but also save time.
- In your preparations, you should **try to set a goal of particular puzzles you must solve** in a day.
- Read these tips on how to approach Arrangement type questions, particularly Circular ones:
 - **Approaching Arrangement Questions - Part 1, Approaching Arrangement Questions - Part 2**
- Try solving these quizzes for practice. These will better your chances of acing difficult level questions.
 - **Circular Arrangement Quiz, Linear Arrangement Quiz, Double Lineup Quiz.**
- Even while solving mock tests, **solve these questions at the end when you have a lot of time**. This will help you give these confusing questions more time. You can **remember all your tricks in that time**.

5. General Preparation Tips for Reasoning in IBPS RRB

- Apart from IBPS RRB topics, **check the questions asked in previous year** & also practice them. These will help you in a better preparation for Reasoning section & also you will analyze how much time you are taking while solving them.
- Practice on **app** daily. You can do this when you are travelling or have nothing else to do.
- Take **practice tests** every day to know where you stand.
- Give Testbook mock tests to prepare yourself completely. As you know, **practice makes the student perfect. The more you solve, the more you become efficient**.

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- **Come up with various tricks and techniques** for yourself that will benefit you in remembering and solving questions easily.
- Additionally, you must also **go through the past year question papers**. They will help you see the trend in exams of IBPS RRB.

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- Read important books related to IBPS RRB which will provide important insights for Reasoning Section, too. Go through the list here: [**Books for IBPS RRB - Reasoning and More.**](#)

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