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IBPS SO Reasoning Preparation Tips 2018

The Institute of Banking Personnel Selection is recruiting for Specialist Officers. This year **IBPS SO** has introduced 3 stages of selection process i.e Prelims, Mains & Interview. Since the Prelims exam is scheduled on 29th & 30th December 2018, you should start your preparation by this time! So begin your preparation for Prelims with IBPS SO Reasoning.

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Overview	
Post	Specialist Officer(SO)
Vacancies	1,599
Exam Conducting Body	IBPS
Application Dates	6 th Nov. to 26 th Nov. 2018
Exam Stages	Prelims, Mains & Interview
Exam(Stage I)	29 th Dec & 30 th Dec 2018
Exam(Stage II)	27 th Jan 2019

IBPS SO Reasoning Preparation Tips

General Intelligence & Reasoning section in IBPS SO will evaluate your ability to logically analyze presented data. Since Reasoning section is generally the toughest for students, you should attempt solving maximum questions in the time you have been given. More than any other subject, it is crucial to start preparations for Reasoning. This is because Reasoning questions are tricky and complicated.



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IBPS SO Reasoning - Weightage of Topics

You should be able to successfully systematize your studies and know what to prepare and how much. This is done by knowing the weightage for different topics in the exam.

Sr. No.	Topic	Weightage
1	Verbal Reasoning	5-8 Qs
2	Syllogisms	3-5 Qs
3	Circular Seating Arrangement	5-7 Qs
4	Linear Seating Arrangement	5-10 Qs
5	Double Line-Up	0-5Qs
6	Scheduling	0-5Qs
7	Input Output	0-5Qs
8	Blood Relations	2-5 Qs
9	Directions & Distances	2-5 Qs
10	Order & Ranking	2-6 Qs
11	Data Sufficiency	3-5 Qs
12	Coding Decoding	2-5 Qs
13	Inequality	5 Qs
14	Analytical Decision Making	0-5 Qs

Topic-Wise Preparation Tips for IBPS SO Reasoning

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Nonverbal and Verbal Reasoning

- In Verbal Reasoning, focus on the keywords used to identify the type of sentences in the question. Read this article to clear your doubts: [Tackling Verbal Reasoning](#).
- In Nonverbal Reasoning, pay attention to the various patterns you see before you. Try giving this quiz for practice: [Quiz for Nonverbal Reasoning](#).

Syllogisms

- Drawing Venn Diagrams is the best trick to avoid confusion between the categories mentioned in different statements.
- Read each question carefully and take one step at a time. This will help you avoid the overlapping of categories.
- Practice more questions related to this topic for accuracy.

Blood Relations

- This section can be aced if you once clear your basic concepts. Read these articles to completely understand this topic in one go: [General Understanding of Blood Relations](#) and [Understanding Complex Relations](#).
- Give some quizzes to see your preparation level after following the suggestions: Blood Relations [Quiz 1](#) and [Quiz 2](#).

Directions & Distances

- Always consider all eight directions before starting with any question.
- For simplicity, assume you are facing North.
- In rotation based questions, rotate the person in the clockwise or anticlockwise direction relative to the direction they were facing last according to the question.
- Read this article for some tricks to solve questions: [Tricks to Analyse Directions and Distances](#).
- Solve these quizzes for more practice: [Direction and Distance Quiz 1](#) and [Direction and Distance Quiz 2](#).

Data Sufficiency

- Analyze the questions properly before coming up with a conclusion.
- Write down the gist of the question if the question is too confusing for you.
- Practice to be accurate, attempt [Quiz 1](#).

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Coding Decoding

- Most importantly, check the alphabets and numbers you have in the code properly.
- Try to find whether the codes follow an ascending or descending sequence.
- Figure out if there are any rules or patterns that these alphabetical or numerical elements work on.
- Read these articles on Coding Decoding here: [Shortcut to Solve Coding Decoding](#) and [Coding Decoding for SSC](#).
- Solve as many quizzes as you can. You can also try some here: [Coding Decoding Quiz 1](#) and [Coding Decoding Quiz 2](#).

IBPS SO Reasoning - General Preparation Tips

Strengthen the Basics

- Once you clear your basics and get through with it, then you can develop your own skills or tricks for various problem-solving.
- Learn all the topics and first focus on your strengths before you move on to the challenging parts.

Practice is the Key

- Practice will help you get through with all the topics from easy to challenging.
- Moreover, the previous year's papers, model papers and mock tests provided by Testbook.com will make you familiar with the exam pattern.
- Practice will gain you speed with accuracy. So, practice regularly.

Pre-Plan your Study Approach


- A well-set time-table or study approach is the best way to keep a proper track on your preparation level.
- Approach each subject in a systematic way.
- Count the days left for the exam and divide the syllabus among these days, keeping sufficient time for revision.


Hope this article on Preparation Tips for IBPS SO Reasoning was helpful to you. Read the following articles to gear up your preparation for IBPS SO 2018.

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Clear Qualifying Subjects in IBPS SO	1599 IBPS SO Vacancies Released

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