

XAT Syllabus 2026: Highlights

Candidates in this section can check and view some important highlights and key aspects of the XAT syllabus 2026.

- **Decision Making:** This section is unique to XAT. Questions based on Decision Making require candidates to understand a given business scenario and choose the best solution.
- **General Knowledge:** This section is not evaluated for XAT result preparation but at the time of PI shortlisting. Performing well in GK section is equally important.
- **Verbal Ability:** This section has one RC in the form of poem. Candidates must practice previous years' XAT papers to be familiar with types of poem they will have to tackle.
- **Quantitative Aptitude:** This section is similar to that of other MBA entrance exams. Arithmetic and Algebra form the major part of it.

XAT Syllabus for Quantitative Aptitude and Data Interpretation

The XAT Quant and DI Syllabus is vast and often considered the most difficult section. The section has 28 questions with a negative marking scheme. Candidates are advised to go through the section thoroughly and check the syllabus given below.

Arithmetic & Algebra	Geometry & Numbers	Data Interpretation
Percentage, Profit & Loss	Mensuration, Geometry	Data Tables, Charts
Time, Speed & Distance	Trigonometry, Pure Maths	Bar Diagrams, Graphs
Linear & Quadratic Equations	LCM, HCF, Surds & Indices	Pie Charts, Caselets
Ratio, Proportion, Averages	Logarithms, Variation, Inequalities	Data Analysis
Partnerships, Allegations & Mixtures	Simple & Compound Interest	

XAT Syllabus for Logical & Verbal Reasoning

The VALR sections assess the candidates on English & Grammar skills. The questions are asked from Reading Comprehension and grammar-based knowledge. Check the complete syllabus below. The section covers 26 questions in total.

Reading-Based	Vocabulary-Based	Grammar & Logic
Reading Comprehension	Synonyms/Antonyms	Sentence Completion
Paragraph Completion	Contextual Vocabulary	Correction of Errors
Jumbled Paragraphs	Word Usage	Fill in the Blanks

XAT Syllabus for Decision Making

The DM section is a complex section and the questions are based on case studies. Candidates need to improve their critical thinking and problem solving abilities. The syllabus and topics covered are given below. [Master your decision-making skills and ace this XAT section → here is how](#)

Reasoning	Situational	Logical Analysis
Analytical Reasoning	Caselets, Grouping	Conditions, Assumptions
Complex Arrangement	Situational Judgment	Conclusion & Decisions
Data Arrangement	Ethics-Based Scenarios	

XAT Syllabus for General Knowledge

For the GK section there is no defined syllabus and the candidates can refer to the below table to check the syllabus for the GK section. Also check the [top 50 GK questions expected in the XAT 2026 exam](#).

Static GK	Current Affairs	Institutional Topics
History, Geography	Awards, Sports, World Events	Indian Constitution, Government
Business, Politics	Economic Updates	Famous Personalities

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