

CLAT exam syllabus

English language

Candidates will have to answer comprehension passage-based questions drawn from fiction and non-fiction writings and test the ability to draw conclusions and identify the candidate's strength relating to the meaning of words and phrases.

Aspirants must note the following aspects of the English language section:

- Passages of about **450 words** will be provided
- Passages will be derived from contemporary or historically important fiction and nonfiction writing
- Each passage will be followed by questions to evaluate the following skills and abilities of candidates related to the **passage**:
 - Comprehension and language skills
 - Ability to comprehend the main point, arguments and viewpoints
 - Ability to draw inferences and conclusions
 - Ability to summarise the passage
 - Compare and contrast the different arguments or viewpoints
 - Understand the meaning of different phrases and words

General Knowledge

Candidates should expect static general knowledge questions and current affairs from various news, journal sources, and non-fiction writing as a part of general knowledge in CLAT exam syllabus. In addition, it is recommended that candidates study newspapers and relevant sources about arts and culture, contemporary events, historical events, and more.

Aspirants must note the following aspects of the Current affairs section exam:

- Passages of about **450 words** will be given
- Passages will be obtained from news, journalistic sources and other non-fiction writing
- Questions may try to examine the legal information or knowledge given in or related to the passage
- Candidates need to show their awareness of various aspects of current affairs and general knowledge, including:
 - Arts and Culture
 - International affairs
 - Historical events of continuing significance.
 - Contemporary events of significance from India and the world

Legal Reasoning

Candidates should expect questions based on factual situations and scenarios which involve legal matters and public policy. Therefore, it is necessary to understand the bare acts of the Indian Constitution and refer to various newspapers and websites for information about legal matters.

For legal reasoning, aspirants must note the following:

- Passages of about **450 words** will be provided
- Passages pertaining to "**fact situations or scenarios**" involving legal matters, public policy questions or moral philosophical enquiries may be asked

- Questions on the passage may require candidates to :
 - Identify and infer the rules and principles
 - Apply such rules and principles to various fact situations
 - Understand how changes to the principles may alter their application to various fact situations

Logical Reasoning

Passages will be based on puzzles, diagrams, arguments, and more. The section will aim to assess the candidate's ability to understand premises and draw conclusions, analyze patterns of reasoning and apply new inferences across situations. Candidates can expect passage related question of around 300 words.

Questions related to the passage will require candidates to:

- Identify an argument, its premises and conclusions
- Critically analyse patterns of reasoning, and assess how conclusions may depend on particular premises or evidence
- Infer what follows from the passage and apply these inferences to new situations

Quantitative Techniques

The section aims to test the candidate on various facts and propositions, textual, pictorial, and diagrammatic representation of numerical data, and more. In addition, it is necessary to study ratios and proportions, introductory algebra, and mensuration in this area.