

IBPS has released the updated IBPS Clerk Syllabus and Exam Pattern for both prelims and mains exam. Unlike every year, this year also, IBPS has released huge vacancies for Clerical Cadre posts to be filled in 11 participating banks. If you are planning to prepare for IBPS Clerk 2026 Exam then you must be looking for the latest exam pattern and syllabus. Check the updated IBPS Clerk syllabus & exam pattern in this post below. IBPS Clerk Syllabus 2026 is very much the same as any other Bank Exam. The major three sections on which a candidate needs a complete command to ace the preliminary exam for IBPS Clerk.

- Reasoning
- Quantitative Aptitude
- English Language

When a candidate clears the Preliminary Exam, he/she must start preparing for the phase 2 exam. The Mains Examination of IBPS Clerk 2026 consists of 4 sections which are mentioned below:

- Reasoning Ability & Computer Aptitude
- Quantitative Aptitude
- English Language
- General/ Financial Awareness

IBPS Clerk Syllabus and Exam Pattern 2026

A candidate must look into the IBPS Clerk Syllabus and Exam Pattern and practice with IBPS Clerk Previous Years' Papers to know the

weightage of the sub-topics asked in each section of both the preliminary and mains exams of IBPS Clerk Exam 2026. **The number of questions in Mains Exam has been reduced to 155 and time duration is now 120 minutes.**

IBPS Clerk Syllabus 2026- Overview	
Exam Conducting Body	Institute of Banking Personnel Selection
Exam Name	IBPS Clerk 2026
Category	Syllabus & Exam Pattern
Vacancies	15701
No. of Questions	Prelims- 100 Mains- 155
Maximum Marks	Prelims- 100 Mains- 200
Negative Marking	0.25 marks
Selection Process	Prelims & Mains
Official website	www.ibps.in

IBPS Clerk Selection Process 2026

The selection criteria for IBPS Clerk posts will be 2 tier i.e. the online examination will be held in two phases, Online Preliminary and Online Main. The prelims marks are not included in the IBPS PO final merit list and selection is solely based on marks scored in the mains exam. the

Stages	Details
IBPS Clerk Prelims	No. of Questions- 100 Type of Questions- Multiple Choice Questions Duration- 60 minutes Qualifying in nature Subjects- English Language, Reasoning Ability, Numerical Ability Negative Marking- 0.25/ ¼th
IBPS Clerk Mains	No. of Questions- 190 Duration- 160 minutes Scoring in nature Subjects- Quantitative Aptitude, English Language, Reasoning Ability & Computer Aptitude, General/ Financial Awareness Negative Marking- 0.25/ ¼th

IBPS Clerk Exam Pattern 2026

The preliminary exam of IBPS Clerk CRP XV is an online exam testing a candidate based on their aptitude, intellect and English. Both the Preliminary Exam and Mains Exam will be conducted bilingually, i.e. both in English and in Hindi. There are three sections in total, and the candidate must clear the cut-off of each section to proceed to the main

exam round. Let's understand IBPS Clerk Exam Pattern 2026 for both stages from the section below.

IBPS Clerk Prelims Exam Pattern 2026

Major changes have been observed in the Exam Pattern of the IBPS Clerk 2026 Prelims Exam. The IBPS Clerk preliminary examination is conducted online and candidates are allocated total duration of 1 hour (20 minutes for each section) to complete the preliminary exam. There is a negative marking of 0.25 marks for each incorrect answer.

Candidates have to qualify in each of the three tests by securing cut-off marks to be decided by IBPS. An adequate number of candidates in each category as decided by IBPS depending upon requirements will be shortlisted for the Online Main examination. This exam is qualifying in nature and marks scored will not be counted in preparing merit list.

IBPS Clerk Prelims Exam Pattern 2026				
S.No.	Name of Tests(Objective)	No. of Questions	Maximum Marks	Duration
1	English Language	30	30	20 minutes
2	Numerical Ability	35	35	20 minutes
3	Reasoning Ability	35	35	20 minutes
Total		100	100	60 minutes/1 Hour

IBPS Clerk Mains Exam Pattern 2026

In the latest update by IBPS, IBPS Clerk Mains Exam will now consist of 155 questions for 200 marks that need to be completed in a time frame of 120 minutes.

IBPS Clerk Mains Exam Pattern 2026				
S.No.	Name of Tests (Objective)	No. of Questions	Maximum Marks	Duration
1	Reasoning Ability & Computer Aptitude	40	60	35 minutes
2	English Language	40	40	35 minutes
3	Quantitative Aptitude	35	50	30 minutes
4	General/ Financial Awareness	40	50	20 minutes
Total		155	200	120 minutes

Now that we have seen the IBPS Clerk Exam Pattern. Let's discuss the detailed syllabus of all the sections asked in the Preliminary and Mains Exam of IBPS Clerk 2026 Exam:

IBPS Clerk Syllabus 2026

Let's now look at the section-wise (subject-wise) syllabus for IBPS Clerk 2026 exam. This will assist you in completely understanding the

exam and formulating an impressive preparation strategy for yourself. The syllabus is provided for all subjects and depending on whether the candidate is appearing for the Prelims or Mains exam. IBPS Clerk Syllabus 2026 for Prelims and Mains examinations is given below:

IBPS Clerk Syllabus 2026 for Prelims and Mains Exam

The syllabus for Numerical Ability / Quantitative Aptitude and English Language is the same for mains and preliminary exams. In addition to these two, the other subjects are General / Financial Awareness and Reasoning & Computer Knowledge. General Awareness is based on the Banking Sector awareness.

IBPS Clerk English Language Syllabus

The English Language section of the IBPS Clerk exam assesses your understanding and proficiency in English. The updated syllabus for the English Language section is as follows:

IBPS Clerk English Language Syllabus		
Vocabulary	Grammar	Reading Comprehension
1. Homonyms	1. Spotting Errors	1. Theme Detection
2. Antonyms	2. Phrases and	2. Passage completion
3. Synonyms	idioms	3. Topic
4. Word	3. Direct and	rearrangement of
Formation	Indirect speech	passage
	4. Active/ Passive	4. Deriving

5. Spelling	voice	Conclusion
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IBPS Clerk Reasoning Syllabus

The Reasoning Ability section of the IBPS Clerk exam tests your logical and analytical thinking skills. Check the important topics for Verbal Reasoning and Non-Verbal Reasoning from below tabulated data.

IBPS Clerk Reasoning Ability Syllabus	
Verbal Reasoning	Non-Verbal Reasoning
1. Analogy 2. Classification 3. Word formation 4. Statement and conclusions Syllogism 5. Statement and assumptions 6. Statement and arguments 7. Coding-Decoding 8. Blood Relations 9. Passage and conclusions 10. Alphabet test 11. Series Test 12. Number, Ranking and time sequence 13. Direction sense Test 14. Decision-making test	1. Series test 2. Odd figure Out 3. Analogy 4. Miscellane

15. Figure series 16. Input/output 17. Assertion and reasoning 18. Sitting Arrangement	
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IBPS Clerk Quantitative Aptitude Syllabus

The Quantitative Aptitude section of the IBPS Clerk exam tests your numerical ability and problem-solving skills. Here's a detailed syllabus for the Quantitative Aptitude section:

IBPS Clerk Quantitative Aptitude Syllabus
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Ratio and proportion2. Averages3. Time and work4. Speed5. Distance and time6. Mixture and allegation7. Stocks and shares8. Percentages9. Partnership10. Clocks11. Volume and surface Area12. Bar & Graphs

13. Line charts
14. Tables
15. Height and Distances
16. Logarithms
17. Permutation and combinations
18. Simple and compound interest
19. Equations, Probability
20. Trigonometry
21. Profit
22. Loss and Discount
23. Mensuration
24. Elements of Algebra
25. Data Interpretation
26. Pie charts

IBPS Clerk Computer Knowledge Syllabus

The Computers section of the IBPS Clerk exam is designed to test your basic knowledge of computer hardware, software, and related concepts.

Here's a detailed syllabus for the Computers section:

IBPS Clerk Computers Syllabus

1. Basics of Hardware and software
2. Windows operating system basics

3. Internet terms and services
4. Basic Functionalities of MS-Office(MS-word, MS-Excel, MS-PowerPoint)
5. History of computers
6. Networking and communication
7. Database basics
8. Basics of Hacking
9. Security Tools
10. Viruses

IBPS Clerk General/ Financial Awareness Syllabus

The General Awareness section of the IBPS Clerk exam primarily focuses on current events and general knowledge. The topics included in this section are as follows-

IBPS Clerk General Awareness Syllabus	
Current Affairs	Banking
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Current affairs related to national and international issues of last 6 months, 2. Overview of Indian Financial System, 3. History of the Indian 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Introduction to National financial institutions like RBI, SEBI, IRDA, FSDC etc and of International organizations like IMF, World Bank, ADB, UN etc, 2. Abbreviations and Economic terminologies

<p>banking system</p> <p>4. Recent credit and monetary policies</p>	<p>3. Banking Terms,</p> <p>4. Important Government Schemes on capital & money market</p>
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