NUST Time Management

Overview:

The NUST Entry Test (NET) consists of 200 multiple-choice questions to be completed in 180 minutes (3 hours). This allows approximately 54 seconds per question. Effective time management is therefore very essential.

Suggested Time Allocation:

Time should be distributed in proportion to the weightage of each section.

- Engineering & Computing: English (40 MCQs) 30 min, Physics (60 MCQs) 55 min, Mathematics (100 MCQs) 80 min, Review 15 min.
- Applied Sciences: English (40 MCQs) 30 min, Chemistry (60 MCQs) 55 min, Biology (100 MCQs) 75 mins, Review 20 min.
- Business & Social Sciences / Natural Sciences: English (100 MCQs) 85 min, Mathematics or Quantitative Mathematics (100 MCQs) 85 min, Review 10 min.
- Architecture & Industrial Design: English (40 MCQs) 30 min, Mathematics (60 MCQs) 55 min, Design Aptitude (100 MCQs) 80 min, Review 15 min.

Recommended Approach:

Begin with the section in which you are most confident, in order to build speed and momentum. Attempt easy and familiar questions first, as they can be answered quickly and leave additional time for more demanding ones. Do not spend several minutes on a single difficult question; mark it, proceed, and return to it if time permits. Monitor the remaining time at regular intervals and maintain a balance between speed and accuracy.

Key Points to Remember:

There is no negative marking in the NET, so every question should be attempted before time expires. Avoid overthinking, and change an answer only when there is a clear reason to do so.

(The time allocation above is a suggested plan and not an official NUST requirement.)

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