



EXAM GUIDE · CLASS 12

CUET UG Preparation Guide

CUET UG decides admission to most central universities. This guide explains how the test is marked, how to choose your subjects, and a six-week plan that builds on your Class 12 NCERT books.

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01 How the exam works

Who runs it – the National Testing Agency (NTA), as a computer-based test

Three groups of tests – languages, domain subjects matched to Class 12, and the General Aptitude Test

Questions – multiple choice; in 2025 every test had 50 compulsory questions in 60 minutes

Marking – +5 for a correct answer, –1 for a wrong one, 0 if left blank

Syllabus – domain subjects follow the NCERT Class 12 syllabus

Every year – check the Information Bulletin on cuet.nta.nic.in for the subjects, timings and dates

02 Choosing your subjects

Start from the course – each university lists the CUET subjects it accepts for each programme; check those first

Domain subjects – choose ones you studied in Class 12, because the questions follow NCERT

Language test – reading comprehension (factual, literary and narrative passages), vocabulary and grammar

General Aptitude Test – general knowledge, current affairs, mental ability, numerical ability, quantitative reasoning (arithmetic, algebra, geometry, mensuration and statistics up to Class 8), logical and analytical reasoning

03 A six-week plan

Weeks	Focus	Each day
1–2	Re-read the NCERT Class 12 chapters for each domain subject	Two chapters, with your own one-page summary of each
3–4	Chapter-wise multiple-choice practice	Timed sets of 25 questions per subject, plus 20 minutes of current affairs
5	Full mock tests at exam speed	One mock a day in the same time slot as your exam; review every mistake
6	Weak chapters and light mocks	Revise your summaries and error log; sleep at your exam-day time

04 Strategy in the hall

Pace – 50 questions in 60 minutes is about 70 seconds each, so do not get stuck

Guessing – with +5 and -1, a guess after ruling out even one option usually pays off

Two rounds – answer what you know first, mark the rest for review, then return

Read every option – NTA questions often include two answers that look right

05 Exam-day checklist

Admit card, printed, with the photograph and signature as instructed

An original photo ID from the list on your admit card, such as Aadhaar

Reach before the reporting time on your admit card

Follow the dress code and the list of allowed items in the bulletin

How to use this guide

- 1 Make NCERT Class 12 your main book for every domain subject.
- 2 Take full mocks in the same time slot as your actual exam.
- 3 Keep an error log and read it on the last two days instead of new material.

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