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# 7-Day DSA Preparation Plan for 12th April

**Goal**: Crack the company interview by mastering key data structures with focused practice.

**Total Questions**: ~40-45 (solvable in 7 days)

**Daily Task**: Learn concepts, solve 3-5 questions, dry run, and explain time complexity.

### Day 1: Arrays + Stack

Focus: Array traversal, two-pointer, stack operations (push/pop)

#### **Questions**:

Two Sum

- Maximum Subarray Sum (Kadane's)
- Rotate Array
- Valid Parentheses
- Next Greater Element

Time: 4-5 hours

### Day 2: Linked List + Queue

Focus: Node manipulation, slow-fast pointer, queue operations

#### **Questions**:

- Reverse a Linked List
- Detect Cycle in Linked List
- Merge Two Sorted Lists
- Implement Queue
- Sliding Window Maximum

Time: 4-5 hours

### Day 3: Binary Tree

Focus: Recursion, BFS, DFS traversals

### Questions:

- Inorder Traversal
- Maximum Depth of Binary Tree
- Lowest Common Ancestor (LCA)
- Level Order Traversal

Time: 3-4 hours

## Day 4: BST + Heap

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Focus: BST properties, heap operations (heapify)

#### Questions:

- Validate BST
- Kth Smallest Element in BST
- Kth Largest Element
- Merge K Sorted Lists
- Top K Frequent Elements

Time: 4-5 hours

## Day 5: Graph

Focus: DFS, BFS, connectivity problems

#### **Questions**:

- DFS Traversal
- BFS Traversal
- Detect Cycle in Graph
- Number of Islands

Time: 3-4 hours

## Day 6: Hashing + Revision

Focus: Hash map usage, sliding window, revisit weak areas

#### Questions:

- Two Sum (Hash Map)
- Group Anagrams
- Longest Substring Without Repeating Characters
- Count Distinct Elements
- Revise 1-2 tough questions from previous days

Time: 4-5 hours

## Day 7: DP + Mock Interview

Focus: DP basics, mock problem-solving under time pressure

#### Questions:

- Fibonacci Number
- Longest Common Subsequence
- 0/1 Knapsack
- Climbing Stairs

Time: 3-4 hours + 1 hour mock