EntryTestGuru - Project Specification

Elevator Pitch

EntryTestGuru is a comprehensive exam preparation platform that helps students master critical admission tests (ECAT, MCAT, CCAT, GMAT, GRE, SAT) through intelligent practice, precise analytics, and adaptive learning. With over 10,000+ MCQs, real-time performance tracking, ARDE probability insights, and personalized study plans, we transform high-stakes exam preparation from stressful cramming into confident, data-driven success.

Problem Statement

Students preparing for once-yearly admission exams face three critical challenges:

- 1. **High Stakes, No Second Chances**: Most exams (ECAT, MCAT, CCAT) offer only one attempt per year with no retakes
- 2. Lack of Targeted Practice: Generic study materials don't identify individual weaknesses or optimize time allocation based on actual exam patterns
- 3. **Poor Time Management Under Pressure**: Students struggle with time constraints and exam anxiety without realistic practice environments and strategic question prioritization

Current solutions are either too generic (standard textbooks) or too expensive (private tutoring), leaving a gap for intelligent, affordable, personalized preparation that leverages real exam data.

Target Audience

Target Audience Segmentation

Primary Segments:

 High School Graduates (16-18 years): Preparing for ECAT, MCAT, GMAT, GRE, SAT • Middle School Students (12-14 years): Preparing for CCAT (7th-8th graders)

Geographic Focus:

- Primary: Pakistan (ECAT, MCAT, CCAT)
- Secondary: International students (GMAT, GRE, SAT)

User Tiers:

- Anonymous Users: Trying the platform (20 MCQs + 2 explanations daily, 1 SE, 1 half-length SRE, device-specific limits with no cross-device sync)
- Free Users: 2-week trial with enhanced limits (50 daily MCQs + 4 explanations daily with Al tutoring, 4 SEs, 2 SREs, max 3 devices with cross-device sync)
- Paid Users: Unlimited access with premium features (unlimited MCQs + explanations + sprint exams + simulated real exams + fair usage based unlimited AI follow-up tutoring for answer explanations, max 3 devices with cross-device sync)

Unique Selling Points (USP)

- 1. **ARDE Intelligence**: Questions tagged with actual exam appearance probability and historical frequency data
- 2. **Precision Analytics**: Track time-per-question, attempt patterns, and topic mastery with surgical precision
- 3. Adaptive Question Variations: Dynamic question variants that test true understanding, not memorization
- 4. **Realistic Exam Simulation**: Perfect replicas of actual exam conditions, timing, and marking schemes
- 5. **Strategic Study Plans**: Time-compressed curricula that prioritize high-probability questions based on ARDE dates
- 6. **Expert-Created Content**: 10,000+ questions with step-by-step explanations, video tutorials, and ARDE probability insights
- 7. **Affordable Access**: Comprehensive preparation at a fraction of private tutoring costs

Target Platforms

- Primary: Flutter mobile app (iOS/Android)
- Secondary: Web application (responsive design)
- Backend: Python FastAPI with Firebase infrastructure

Features List

Authentication & Onboarding

As a user, I can continue as anonymous, sign up with
Google/Facebook/Phone/Email, or login to existing account
 As a new user, I can select my target exam category (ECAT, MCAT, CCAT, GMAT, GRE, SAT) during onboarding
As a user, I can view my current tier limitations and usage statistics
 As an anonymous user, I am gracefully prompted to upgrade when I exhaust my limits
 As an anonymous user, my usage limits are tied to my current device only with no cross-device sync
 As a free/paid user, I can login on up to 3 devices maximum (tracked via device fingerprinting)
 As a free/paid user, my progress and session data syncs across all my connected devices
 As a user, I can view and manage my connected devices in account settings
☐ As a user, I receive notifications when attempting to login on a 4th device with options to replace an existing device
Question Bank & Content Management
 As a user, I can access 10,000+ MCQs across all supported exam categories
 As a content creator, I can add question variations with different variable values and arrangements
 As a user, I can view detailed explanations (text/video) for each question after attempting (subject to tier limits)

 As a user, I can access AI-powered follow-up tutoring for conceptual discussions (subject to explanation limits) 	
As a system, I track question popularity to prioritize variation creation	
As a system, I enforce daily explanation limits: 2 for anonymous, 4 for free, unlimited for paid users	
 As a user, I can see ARDE probability indicators for each question to understand exam relevance 	
 As a user, I can view historical frequency data showing how often questions appeared on real exams 	
Practice Mode	
 As a user, I can practice MCQs by subject, topic, difficulty level, ARDE probability, and performance history 	
 As a user practicing, I get immediate feedback and up to 3 attempts per question 	
 As a user, I can view step-by-step solutions and video explanations after each attempt (subject to tier limits) 	
 As a user, I can access AI-powered follow-up tutoring for conceptual discussions (subject to explanation limits) 	
 As a user, I can bookmark difficult questions for later review 	
As a user, I can filter questions by "High ARDE Probability" or "Frequently Asked on Real Exams"	
 As a user, I can prioritize practice sessions based on question importance for actual exams 	
 As an anonymous user, I'm limited to 20 daily practice MCQs and 2 answer explanations per day 	
 As a free user, I get 50 daily practice MCQs and 4 answer explanations per day for 2 weeks 	
 As a paid user, I have unlimited daily practice access and unlimited answer explanations 	
Sprint Exams (SE)	
As a user, I can create custom sprint exams with 5-50 questions and configurable time limits	

	 As a user, I can select specific topics, difficulty distributions, and ARDE probability levels for my sprint
	As a user taking a sprint, I don't see answer feedback until completion
	 As a user, I receive detailed scorecards and analytics after sprint completion
	 As a system, I track precise timing for each question attempt during sprints
	As a user, I can create "High-Probability" sprints focusing on questions most likely to appear on ARDE
	 As an anonymous user, I'm limited to 1 sprint exam before requiring signup
	■ As a free user, I get 4 sprint exams total during my 2-week trial
	As a paid user, I have unlimited sprint exam access
S	simulated Real Exams (SRE)
	 As a user, I can take full-length simulated exams matching actual ARDE conditions
	As a user, I experience exact timing, question count, marking schemes, and break intervals
	 As a user, I receive comprehensive performance analysis after SRE completion with ARDE probability insights
	As a user, I can see what percentage of my SRE focused on high- probability vs. low-probability questions
	As an anonymous user, I get 1 half-length SRE before requiring signup
	As a free user, I get 2 full-length SREs during my trial period
	As a paid user, I have unlimited SRE access
A	Analytics & Performance Tracking
	As a user, I can view detailed analytics on my question attempt patterns
	As a user, I can see time-to-first-answer, total attempts, and accuracy
	rates per topic
	As a user, I can identify my strongest and weakest subject areas
	 As a user, I can track my improvement over time with historical performance data

 As a system, I maintain separate databases for learning analytics vs. general app usage
As a user, I can export my performance data for external analysis
As a user, I can see what percentage of my practice time focuses on high-ARDE-probability questions
As a user, I can view my performance specifically on questions that frequently appear on real exams
As a user, I can get strategic recommendations on which question types to prioritize based on ARDE data
Business Intelligence & Analytics
■ User Engagement Metrics : Track page/feature time spent, feature usage frequency, session duration & frequency, and user flow analysis for funnel optimization
Conversion & Business Metrics: Monitor tier progression rates, churn analysis, feature adoption patterns, and revenue per user by acquisition channel
Content Performance: Analyze question popularity, explanation usage patterns, Al tutoring interaction topics, and error rates across question bank
■ Product Optimization : Performance monitoring for API response times and crash rates, A/B testing framework for pricing/UI changes, and seasonal usage pattern analysis for capacity planning
Study Plans & Curriculum
As a user, I can access multi-week structured study plans based on my target ARDE date
As a user, I can accelerate my study plan when time is limited before my exam
As a user, I receive daily goals and progress tracking within my study plan
 As a paid user, I can access personalized recommendations based on my weak areas and ARDE probability data
As a user, I can compare my current performance against my historical baseline

As a user with limited time, I can access "Strategic Mode" that prioritizes high-ARDE-probability questions
As a user, my study plan automatically adjusts to focus more on high- probability topics as my ARDE date approaches
Social Accountability & Competition
 As a user, I can view leaderboards showing top performers in my exam category
As a user, I can create or join study groups with friends or other students
 As a user, I can view my group members' performance and progress (with their consent)
As a user, I can compete in weekly/monthly challenges with other users
 As a user, I can share my achievements and milestones on social platforms
 As a group member, I can see comparative analytics showing my performance vs. group average
 As a user, I receive motivational notifications about peer achievements and challenges
As a user, I can set group study goals and track collective progress
As a user, I can see how my group performs on high-ARDE-probability questions compared to other groups
Content Quality & User Support
As a content creator, I am responsible for question accuracy and quality control
 As a user, I can report incorrect questions or submit answer corrections through in-app system
As a user, I can access in-app help system and customer support phone number with human assistance
As an admin, I can review and process user-submitted question corrections
As a system, I track user reports to identify problematic content for review

Admin & Content Creator Tools

 As an admin, I can access a comprehensive dashboard for managing questions and variations
 As a content creator, I can view analytics on question performance and user interaction
 As an admin, I can bulk upload, edit, and manage question bank content
 As a content creator, I can track which questions need more variations based on popularity
 As an admin, I can manage user accounts, subscriptions, and support requests
As a content creator, I can update ARDE probability and frequency data for questions
 As an admin, I can analyze which high-probability questions are underrepresented in the question bank
Learning Center & Expert Content
 As a paid user, I can access video content, written guides, and interactive lessons
As a user, I can browse tips and tricks from subject matter experts
 As a user, I can search for specific topics or question types in the learning center
As a user, I can bookmark and organize learning center content
 As a user, I can access strategic guides on prioritizing study time based on ARDE probability data
Monetization & Subscription Management
As a user, I can upgrade from anonymous to free tier seamlessly
 As a user, I can upgrade from free to paid tier through Paddle.com integration
 As a free user, I see ads after every 5 practice MCQs (time excluded from tracking)
As a paid user, I see minimal ads (every 5 practice MCQs) and only one ad per simulated real exam or sprint exam (time excluded from tracking)

 As an admin, I can manage subscription tiers and pricing through Paddle.com
UX/UI Considerations
Onboarding Flow
 Welcome Screen: Clean, exam-focused design with clear tier explanations and ARDE intelligence highlights Exam Selection: Visual exam category selector with brief descriptions and ARDE data availability indicators Anonymous vs. Signup: Prominent anonymous option with clear upgrade path and ARDE feature previews
Practice Interface
Question Display: Clean MCQ layout with timer, progress indicator, attempt counter, explanation limit indicator, and ARDE probability badge
Answer Selection: Clear visual feedback for selected answers
Immediate Feedback State: Green/red highlighting with explanation panel (if explanations remaining)
Explanation Overlay: Expandable panel with text/video content, AI chat option (subject to daily limits), and ARDE context
Explanation Limit Notification: Gentle reminder when approaching daily explanation limit with upgrade suggestion
ARDE Probability Indicator: Visual badges showing question
importance (High/Medium/Low probability)
Strategic Filtering: Easy-access filters for ARDE probability and historical frequency
Sprint Exam Interface
Pre-Sprint Setup: Intuitive configuration with visual question/time selectors and ARDE probability distribution controls
Sprint Mode: Focused, distraction-free interface with prominent timer and optional ARDE probability indicators
Sprint Results: Comprehensive scorecard with interactive performance breakdown and ARDE probability analysis

Question Review: Post-sprint detailed review with filtering, search, and ARDE probability insights
Analytics Dashboard
■ Performance Overview: Chart-heavy dashboard with key metrics highlighted and ARDE probability performance tracking
■ Topic Breakdown: Interactive subject/topic performance visualization with ARDE probability weighting
☐ Historical Trends: Time-series graphs showing improvement trajectories and strategic question focus
■ Recommendations Panel: Al-driven suggestions with actionable next steps prioritized by ARDE probability
■ Strategic Insights: Dedicated section showing ARDE probability performance and study time optimization
Social Features Interface
 Leaderboards: Clean, filterable rankings by exam type, timeframe, and performance metrics including ARDE-focused challenges Group Dashboard: Collaborative space showing group member progress and shared goals with strategic insights Challenge Cards: Engaging weekly/monthly competition displays with progress tracking and ARDE probability themes Achievement Notifications: Celebratory popups for personal and peer
milestones including strategic study achievements Comparative Analytics: Side-by-side performance charts showing user vs. group/global averages with ARDE probability breakdowns
Upgrade Prompts
 Gentle Nudges: Non-intrusive upgrade suggestions with clear value propositions emphasizing ARDE intelligence features Limit Reached: Friendly limit notifications with immediate upgrade options highlighting strategic study benefits Feature Previews: Sneak peeks of premium features including advanced ARDE probability tools

Non-Functional Requirements

Performance Response Time: API responses under 200ms for question loading including ARDE metadata Image Optimization: Standard compression for question images with lazy loading Caching Strategy: Intelligent question bank caching for frequently accessed content and ARDE probability data Scalability ■ Database Design: Optimized for 10,000+ questions with complex querying including ARDE probability filtering Auto-scaling: Firebase Functions auto-scale during seasonal exam periods CDN Integration: Global content delivery for video explanations and images Load Testing: Support for concurrent users during peak exam seasons Security **Device Management**: 3-device limit per account tracked via Flutter device_info_plus package fingerprinting for registered users only Anonymous User Tracking: Device-specific session limits without crossdevice sync or compromising privacy **Payment Security**: PCI-compliant payment processing through Paddle.com API Security: Rate limiting and authentication for all backend endpoints Accessibility Screen Reader Support: Full compatibility with accessibility tools ☐ **High Contrast Mode**: Alternative color schemes for visual impairments Font Scaling: Adjustable text sizes for improved readability Keyboard Navigation: Complete app functionality without touch/mouse input

Technical Architecture

Frontend Stack

- Framework: Flutter with Dart
- State Management: Riverpod for reactive state management
- Navigation: Flutter's built-in routing with deep linking support
- Local Storage: Hive for limited offline question caching and user preferences
- Device Identification: device_info_plus package for device fingerprinting and multi-device management

Backend Stack

- API Framework: Python FastAPI for high-performance REST APIs
- Hosting: Firebase Functions for serverless Python execution
- Database: Cloud Firestore for real-time data synchronization
- File Storage: Firebase Storage for video content and images
- Authentication: Firebase Auth with Google/Facebook/Phone/Email providers

Third-Party Integrations

- Analytics: Google Analytics for app usage insights plus Firebase Crashlytics for error tracking
- Payments & Subscriptions: Paddle.com for complete payment processing
- Advertising: Google AdSense for monetizing free tier users
- Content Delivery: Firebase CDN for global content distribution

Data Architecture

- Question Bank: Structured collections with tagging, difficulty metadata, per-user appearance tracking, appearance probability on ARDE, and reported frequency of appearance on ARDE
- User Performance: Separate analytical database for learning insights with ARDE probability performance tracking
- Content Management: Version-controlled system for question variations, explanations, and ARDE probability updates

Monetization

Revenue Streams:

- 1. **Primary**: Monthly/Annual subscriptions through Paddle.com (PKR 2,000/month, PKR 20,000/year)
- 2. Secondary: Google AdSense revenue from free tier users

Conversion Funnel:

- Anonymous users → Free users (through usage limits and ARDE feature previews)
- Free users → Paid users (through 2-week trial expiration and strategic study feature access)

Customer Lifetime Value Strategy:

- High engagement through personalized study plans with ARDE intelligence
- Seasonal retention during exam periods with strategic preparation tools
- Word-of-mouth growth through exam success stories and improved scores

Pricing Strategy:

- Competitive with private tutoring (1/10th the cost)
- Premium pricing justified by comprehensive analytics, expert content, and exclusive ARDE probability insights
- Regional pricing adjustments for developing markets