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Instructions for Ph.D Entrance Test (PET-9)

1. Timing and Duration

- You have 60 minutes to complete the test.
- A countdown timer will be displayed on your screen to help you keep the track of the remaining time.
- Allocate time for each question and avoid spending too much time on any single question.
- If you finish early, use the remaining time to review your answers.
- Ensure that you submit your test before the timer runs out.
- **Any answers not submitted before the timer expires will be auto-submitted:** If the test timer reaches zero and you have not manually submitted your answers, they will be automatically submitted by system.

2. Test Format

- The test consists of 50 multiple-choice questions (MCQs).
- Each correct answer will earn you 1 mark.
- There is no negative marking for incorrect answers.
- You can navigate through the questions in any order: Use the "Next" and "Previous" buttons to move between questions.
- If you are unsure about a question, mark it for review by clicking the "Mark for Review" button.
- You can revisit and answer these questions later if time permits
- Once you submit the test, you cannot re-enter or make any changes to your answers.
- At the end of the allotted time, any unanswered questions will be automatically submitted by system.

3. Technical Requirements

- Use Google Chrome on a desktop with Webcam or laptop. For stable experience avoid use of mobile device for the test.
- **Ensure you have a stable Internet Connection:** A reliable internet connection is necessary to avoid interruptions during the test.
- **Choose a quiet, well-lit room free from distractions to take the test.**
- **Ensure that you will not be interrupted during the test.**
- **Stay in full-screen mode throughout the test to prevent auto-submission:** Exiting full-screen mode or switching the screen can cause your test to be automatically submitted.
- **Allow microphone and camera permissions for proctoring purposes:** The test will be monitored, so make sure your microphone and camera are enabled.
- **Adjust your browser settings to allow pop-ups, as some features of the test interface may require them.**
- **Close all other applications and disable notifications to avoid distractions during the test:** To maintain focus and avoid disruptions, close unnecessary applications and mute notifications.
- **Ensure your device is fully charged or connected to a power source to avoid any interruptions due to low battery:** A sudden power loss could disrupt your test, so make sure your device is powered on.



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4. Test Strategies

Read each question and its answer choices carefully before making a selection:

Take your time to thoroughly read each question and all the provided answer choices. Understanding the question fully is crucial to avoid misunderstandings and ensure you select the correct answer.

Choose the best possible answer from the provided options:

Analyze all the given options and choose the one that best answers the question. Avoid rushing to select an option without considering all the choices.

Manage your time wisely to ensure that you answer all questions within the 60-minute time frame:

Plan your time so you can address all questions.

If you find a question difficult, mark it for review and move on to the next question:

If a question seems too challenging or time-consuming, use the "Mark for Review" option and proceed to the next question. This ensures you maximize your time by answering the easier questions first.

Double-check your answers before submitting the test to ensure accuracy:

Use the remaining time at the end to review your answers. Carefully go through each question again, particularly those you marked for review, to catch any corrections.

Make sure to answer all questions, as there is no penalty for guessing:

Answer every question, even if you are unsure of the correct answer. Since there is no negative marking, making an educated guess is better than leaving a question unanswered.

Use the "Review" option to go through all your marked questions and ensure that you have answered them:

Before final submission, check all the questions you marked for review. Ensure that each question has been answered to your satisfaction.

Attempt the test in one continuous sitting without any breaks:

Plan to complete the entire test in one go. Taking breaks can disrupt your focus and may lead to technical issues or time mismanagement.

Avoid taking phone calls or engaging in any other activities during the test:

Ensure your phone is on silent mode or switched off to avoid any interruptions. Inform family or housemates that you should not be disturbed during the test duration.



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Do not close the full-screen window or switch to other applications as this will lead to auto-submission of your test:

Exiting full-screen mode or switching to other applications can trigger the test system to auto-submit your answers, which might result in an incomplete test submission.

Ensure your system settings are updated and meet the test requirements:

Prior to the test, verify that your computer or laptop meets all technical requirements, such as having the latest version of Google Chrome, enabling pop-ups, and having an updated operating system. This helps prevent technical issues during the test.

Proctoring and Rules

Do not use any unauthorized materials or resources during the exam:

It is strictly prohibited to use any materials or resources that are not explicitly allowed by the examination guidelines. This includes textbooks, notes, mobile phones, tablets, or any other electronic devices. Ensure that your workspace is clear of any unauthorized items.

The test will be proctored, so maintain proper behavior throughout the exam:

The exam will be monitored by proctoring software and/or live proctors. This means your actions and screen will be observed to ensure integrity. Maintain professional and appropriate behavior at all times, as any suspicious activity will be flagged.

Any form of cheating or misconduct will result in immediate disqualification from the admission process:

Engaging in any dishonest behavior, such as using unauthorized aids, attempting to communicate with others, or trying to manipulate the exam process, will lead to immediate disqualification. This will nullify your chance for admission.

Ensure that your microphone and camera are working properly, as they will be used for proctoring:

Before starting the test, check that your microphone and camera are functioning correctly. These devices are essential for the proctoring process, and any issues with them may prevent you from completing the test.

Avoid any suspicious behavior, such as looking away from the screen frequently or talking to others during the test:

Maintain focus on your screen throughout the exam. Frequently looking away or talking to others can be interpreted as suspicious behavior and might be flagged by the proctoring system.



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Follow all instructions given by the proctoring software and staff:

Pay close attention to and follow all the instructions provided by the proctoring software or live proctors. These instructions are designed to help you maintain compliance with exam protocols.

Any technical issues should be reported immediately to the technical support team:

If you encounter any technical problems during the exam, such as issues with your internet connection, microphone, camera, or the exam software itself, report these issues immediately to the technical support team. Delays in reporting might affect your ability to complete the exam.

For any Queries/ Doubts/More information please contact Support Team

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