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Ways to Tackle

Data Insights "Two-part Analysis (TPA)" Questions

The Essence of Data Insights

- Application-oriented questions:
 - Real-life scenarios dominate; use substitution methods for efficiency.
- High text density with distractions:
 - Irrelevant information frequently appears; effective prioritization determines your time management.
- Hidden traps:
 - Close reading and careful question analysis are crucial.

Features of Two-Part Analysis (TPA)

- Two answers required per question:
 - Allocate slightly more time than average (2:15)
 - Recommended 2.5-3 minutes per question.
- Essentially Math (PS) or Logic (CR):
 - Quickly identify the question type and apply appropriate strategies accordingly.
- Strategy Guidelines:
 - Mathematical (PS-type) questions: Passage \rightarrow Question \rightarrow Solution.
 - Logical (CR-type) questions: Require an entirely different problem-solving approach...

SOP for TPA non-math Qs

- Prepare your answer sheet
- Read the question sentence first (sometimes with 1-2 choices)
- Identify the request and classify it to one of the CR/RC type
- Pay attention again to column titles and the question sentence!
- Oetermine which column you should answer first
 - One column at one time?
 - Both should be paired together? (填空完成句子)
 - Consider restrictions, factor reliance, if-then logic, or cause-effect relationships
- Choose through elimination

Typical TPA: long texts

The government of Nation X restricts how banks share customers' information with other institutions. For instance, unless a customer explicitly grants permission, no nonpublic information about the customer—e.g., account balances or credit history—can be shared with any non-affiliated institution. Furthermore, banks must allow customers to forbid the sharing of even publicly available information about them, such as listed telephone numbers, with non-affiliated institutions. The bank must honor any decision the customer makes in these cases; however, none of these restrictions limits the sharing of these types of information with any affiliated institutions. All sharing of information other than the types mentioned above is permitted—except that under no circumstances may customers' passwords be shared, even with affiliated institutions. The government of Nation X also requires that banks inform customers of all of these policies.

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Sneak a look at the choices -

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Last: read the passage

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(A)

All circumstances

Upon informing the customer that it will

Only if a customer has not explicitly forbidden it

Only if a customer has explicitly granted permission

No circumstances

(D)

Less text: feel relaxed?

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Select for 1 and 2 the options that complete the statement so that it is most accurate based on the information provided. Make only two selections, one in each column.

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Slow down on interpreting the question sentence

C>F/A

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CR-like Qs

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Filling-the-blank Qs

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Read the passage with role-based thinking

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Last question today

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In different rows of the table, select a situation P and a situation R such that, if the agency's announcement was intended to discourage P but inadvertently encouraged R, the combined situation would best illustrate the principle described in the passage. Make only two selections, one in each column.

P R

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Be patient in reading question sentence!

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Remember:

TPA is a game that involves filtering info and making logical decisions.

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