

Having an exceptionally bad GRE score might harm your application but having an exceptionally good GRE score won't be the only factor that gets you an admit. So, you should **try to aim for a good GRE score but not stress about it a lot.**

GRE - Graduate Record Examination, is a standardized test that is required by most of the graduate schools for admissions into their masters or Ph.D. programs. The test is conducted by **ETS (Educational Testing Services)**, this authority is responsible for making the test and also conducting it. The exam is conducted year-round at a ton of places all over India. The test is almost 4 hours long with a 10 min break after 3 sections and a 1-minute break in between the sections. There are a total of 6 sections on the GRE.

The first section is the **Analytical Writing** section where you are presented with two tasks, **Analyse an Issue and then Analyse an Argument**. These tasks measure your writing and reasoning ability.



The issue task requires you to write an essay on a given prompt, you can either **agree, disagree, have a qualified agreement or a qualified disagreement**. The **scorers don't judge your essays on the position you take but rather on the way you present your position and how convincing it is.**