



## Rajasthan Public Service Commission (RPSC) FAQs

**Question 1: How many questions are asked in the preliminary examination of RPSC with reference to 'Rajasthan State Special'? How to prepare for it?**

**Answer:** In the preliminary examination of RPSC, about 55-60 questions are asked with reference to 'Rajasthan State Special'. In this paper of 'General Knowledge and General Science', out of total 150 questions, 55-60 questions are asked only in the context of the particular state of Rajasthan, the importance of this subject itself makes it clear.

- In the context of 'Rajasthan State Special', questions are asked based on the history, art, culture, literature, tradition and heritage of Rajasthan and contemporary events of Rajasthan.
- Similarly, it is beneficial to study the entire syllabus of the preliminary examination in the context of the state of Rajasthan. Any level book available in the market can be studied with reference to the particular state of Rajasthan.

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**Question 2: What is the 'cut-off'? How is it determined?**

**Answer:** 'Cut-off' means the minimum marks obtained by which a candidate has been successful in the examination. Every year in the RPSC examination, the 'cut-off' is determined in the result of the preliminary examination, main examination and interview.

- The candidates who score the 'cut-off' or more are declared successful and the rest are unsuccessful. Under the reservation system, this cut-off is different for different categories of candidates.
- There is only one paper 'General Knowledge and General Science' (objective) in the Preliminary Examination of RPSC, in which the total number of questions - 150 and maximum marks - 200 are fixed.
  - Therefore, the 'cut-off' is determined on the basis of the marks obtained by the candidates in this question paper.
  - The nature of the cut-off is not fixed, it fluctuates every year. Its determination depends on factors such as the number of seats, the difficulty level of the question papers and the number and quality of candidates.
  - Due to the provision of negative marks in the preliminary examination of RPSC (one third (1/3) mark is deducted for each wrong answer), generally 40-50% marks are required to pass this examination. are required to obtain. But sometimes considering the difficulty level of the questions, this percentage can be even less.
    - For example, the cut-off of RPSC Preliminary Examination 2018 for the year 2018 is 76.6 marks which is less than 40%.
  - If the papers will be easy or if the number and quality of candidates are high, the cut-off will increase and will automatically decrease in adverse situations.

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**Question 3: Should the answers of all the questions be filled together on the OMR sheet or should they be filled together?**

**Answer:** It is better to take out answers of 4-5 questions and fill them on the sheet. With each question,

more time is spent in filling it on the OMR sheet. On the other hand, sometimes it happens that many candidates want to fill the OMR sheet together at the end but due to paucity of time they are not able to fill it.

- The right way to avoid such an accident is to keep filling the answers of 4-5 questions at once.
- Since the circles have to be filled with a black or blue ballpoint pen, take special care while filling them.
- Never use whitener.

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**Question 4: Time-management becomes the biggest challenge in RPSC exam. What should be done for that?**

**Answer:** Follow the suggestions given in the answer to the previous question. Apart from that, attend mock test series before the exam and test in each paper which section of the questions are covered in how much time. If you identify the more time consuming questions in advance, then the time will not be wasted in the exam. With repeated practice, the speed can be increased.

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**Question 5: Questions are asked from 'Logical Reasoning and Manomayi' in the RPSC Keykey Exam?**

**Answer:** Yes, you can definitely succeed. In the preliminary examination of RPSC, about 20-30 questions are asked from 'Logical Reasoning and Mental Ability' which are mainly of matriculation level.

- These questions are simple in nature, so they can be solved with little effort. If you prepare some topics in logical reasoning, which you understand and from which questions are often asked, for example, if you prepare the topics of series, coding-decoding, then this Related 5-7 questions will be fine.
- Similarly, 5-8 questions will become more correct if tabulation and pie-picture are practiced. Hence, you can easily attempt more than 50% of the questions in this section by practicing them even if you are weak in maths.

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**Question 6: In what order should the questions be solved during the preliminary examination of RPSC? Does a particular sequence benefit?**

**Answer:** The answer cannot be one for all. If you are comfortable in all the subjects of 'General Knowledge and General Science' and your speed is also satisfactory then you can be successful by solving questions in any order.

- In such a situation, it is better to increase the order in which the questions come up, doing them in the same order. But if your position is not so secure then you should consider the sequence of questions. In such a situation, first of all, solve those questions which take the least time.
- If you have a good grip with respect to the particular state of Rajasthan, then you should solve 55 to 60 questions related to it first, because they will take less time and the chances of getting the answers right will be more.
- After solving these 55-60 questions, your position will be very strong. After that, move on to quickly ask questions that you are comfortable with and skip those that are beyond your comprehension.
  - Leave a mark for the questions in respect of which you feel that they can be done if you get enough time.
- One suggestion can also be to avoid asking the same type of questions continuously. If you feel like this, then solve some questions of 'Logical Reasoning and Mental Ability' in the middle, after that solve other questions.
  - Due to equal marks of all the questions and provision of negative marking for wrong answers (one third (1/3) mark is deducted for each wrong answer), candidates are expected to avoid the rhying method. Solve the questions carefully.

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**Question 7: Is there any advantage in giving 'Mock Test' in the Preliminary Examination of**

## RPSC? If yes, then what?

**Answer:** Giving mock tests for the preliminary examinations of RPSC proves to be very beneficial. The biggest advantage of this is that you learn to control the stress in the exam, as well as improve the ability of time management.

- Giving mock tests gives you an idea of what your level is as compared to your competitors. Also in different exams you can experiment to see in which order the questions are arranged which gives you the best results. On the basis of these experiments, you can decide your exam strategy.
- Keep in mind that all these benefits are available only if you have chosen the mock test series carefully.

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## Question 8: What is the contribution of Rajasthan state specific questions in the main examination of RPSC? How to prepare for it?

**Answer:** The questions of 'Rajasthan State Special' have an important contribution in the main examination of RPSC. After observing the syllabus of the main examination, it is known that out of the four compulsory papers, it is necessary to study all the important subjects of General Studies First Paper, General Studies Second Paper, and General Studies Third Paper in the context of Rajasthan. Because almost all the important questions are Rajasthan's history, art, culture, literature, tradition and heritage; Geography is related to economy, polity and contemporary activities etc.

- No special study material is required to prepare the questions of 'Rajasthan State Special' in the main examination of RPSC, but there is a need to study the questions prepared during the preliminary examination in detail.
- For this it is beneficial to study books 'Aapno Rajasthan' and 'Lakshya'.

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## Question 9: I am weak in English from the beginning. Will I be able to crack the main exam of RPSC?

**Answer:** Yes, you can definitely succeed. In the main examination, the fourth paper is related to linguistic knowledge, in which a total of 200 marks questions are asked in relation to 'General Hindi and General English', whose answer is to be written in the answer-book given by the commission. In this, questions of 80 marks are asked of 'General English', the level of which is of senior secondary level.

- Under this, questions are asked from English Grammar, Comprehension, Translation, Precise Writing, Letter Writing, Paragraph Writing etc. The truth is that the questions on Comprehension and Grammar given in English are very easy languages and even very weak students can practice it regularly and get average marks.

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## Question 10: I feel uncomfortable with Hindi grammar from the very beginning, will I be able to clear the main exam of RPSC?

**Answer:** Yes, you can definitely succeed. In the main examination, the fourth paper is related to linguistic knowledge, in which a total of 200 marks questions are asked in relation to 'General Hindi and General English', whose answer is to be written in the answer-book given by the commission.

- In this, questions of 120 marks are asked for 'General Hindi', the level of which is of senior secondary level. Under this, questions are asked from Hindi grammar, abbreviation, letter-writing and essay writing etc.
- The truth is that these questions of Hindi grammar are very easy and even very weak students can practice it regularly and get average marks.

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## Question 11: I am weak in maths from the beginning, will I be able to clear the main exam of RPSC?

**Answer:** Yes, you can definitely succeed. In the second paper of General Studies, 'Logical Ability, Mental Ability and Numeracy' is a part of the syllabus. Conceptual aspects of arithmetic as well as practice of statistical concepts and questions are essential for this section. These questions are simple in nature, so

they can be solved with little effort.

- Questions can be practiced by categorizing the questions asked earlier into different sections. If possible, prepare some topics in mathematics that you understand and from which questions are often asked.
- Continuous practice can lead to better performance in this paper. Since answering the questions on 'Logical Ability, Mental Ability and Numeracy' correctly, you get full marks. So by performing well in this section with a little effort, one can score well in the main examination.

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**Question 12: What is the role of interview in this exam conducted by RPSC? How to prepare for it?**

**Answer:** In this exam conducted by RPSC, 100 marks have been fixed for the interview. Since the final merit list is prepared on the basis of the sum of the marks obtained in the main examination and interview, therefore the interview plays an important role in the final selection and post determination in this examination.

- The personality of the candidates is tested during the interview, in which oral questions are asked by the members of the commission at the designated place in the commission, to which the candidate has to answer orally.
- Under normal circumstances you can get a minimum 40 marks and maximum 70 marks in RPSC interview. Although the interview is the last stage of this exam, it is beneficial to start preparing for it from the very beginning. In fact, the personality development of any candidate is a continuous process.

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