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CLAT 2026 in 150 Days: The Complete Preparation Blueprint

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150 Days. One Dream. One Strategy. — Your week-by-week roadmap to crack CLAT 2026 and secure a seat in India's top NLUs.

150Days Total

5Phases

5Subjects

120MCQs/Exam

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Step 0 — Know the Battlefield

CLAT 2026 Exam Pattern

Before you prepare, know exactly what you're preparing for. CLAT is a 120-question, 120-minute comprehension-based exam.

Subject	Questions	Marks	Difficulty	Priority
English Language	28–32	28–32	Moderate	High
Current Affairs & GK	35–39	35–39	Dynamic	Very High
Legal Reasoning	28–32	28–32	Hard	Very High
Logical Reasoning	22–26	22–26	Moderate	Medium
Quantitative Techniques	10–14	10–14	Easy–Mod	Medium
TOTAL	**120**	**120**	—	—

Negative marking: −0.25 per wrong answer. Time management is critical.



The Master Plan

150-Day Phase-Wise Roadmap

Divide your 150 days into 5 distinct phases. Each phase has a clear goal — so you never feel lost.

Phase 1Foundation BuildingDay 1–30

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- English: Grammar rules, idioms, reading comprehension basics
- Legal Reasoning: Understand what Principle-Fact questions mean; read bare acts (IPC, CrPC overview)
- GK: Start a daily newspaper habit — The Hindu / Indian Express
- Logical Reasoning: Learn all reasoning types (syllogism, blood relations, coding-decoding)
- Quant: Brush up Class 10 Maths — percentages, ratios, averages, profit-loss
- Take 1 diagnostic mock test at end of Phase 1 to benchmark yourself

Phase 2Deep Concept MasteryDay 31–70

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- Legal Reasoning: Constitutional Law basics, Torts, Contracts, Criminal Law principles
- English: Inference-based RC, author’s tone, para-jumbles, critical reasoning
- GK: Maintain a monthly current affairs compilation; start legal GK (important judgments)
- Logical Reasoning: Practice 30 questions daily — analytical reasoning sets
- Quant: Data Interpretation, Simple/Compound Interest, Time-Speed-Distance
- Weekly sectional tests — one per subject every week

Phase 3Intensive PracticeDay 71–100

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- 2 full-length mock tests per week (timed — exactly 120 minutes)
- Analyse every mock: subject-wise score, wrong answers, time per section

- Legal Reasoning: Solve 3 passage sets daily from previous year papers
- GK: Revise last 6 months current affairs; make short notes
- English: Target 85%+ accuracy in RC passages
- Identify your 2 weakest subjects — give them extra 30 min/day

Phase 4Mock Test MarathonDay 101–135
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- 3–4 full mock tests per week at exam-like conditions
- Maintain an error log — note why each wrong answer was wrong
- Revise static GK: Constitution, polity, Indian history, awards, summits
- Legal Reasoning: Cover previous 5 years CLAT papers completely
- Quant: Target 90%+ accuracy (only 10–14 questions — don't lose easy marks)
- Weekly rank analysis if using a test series

Phase 5Revision & Final PolishDay 136–150
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- Revise all your short notes and error logs
- 1–2 mock tests only (don't overload yourself)
- GK: Last-minute current affairs compilation (last 3 months)
- Re-read important legal principles — Constitution Articles, landmark cases
- Day 148–150: Rest, light revision, mental preparation
- Exam day strategy: attempt order, time allocation, guess policy


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Daily Discipline

Ideal Daily Schedule (7–8 Hours)

Consistency beats intensity. 7 focused hours daily for 150 days = 1,050 hours of preparation — more than enough to crack CLAT.

Sample Day Schedule

6:00 – 7:00 **Newspaper Reading** — The Hindu/IE; note important CA events
7:00 – 9:00 **Subject Study Block 1** — Legal Reasoning (concept + 2 passage sets)
9:00 – 9:30 Break + Breakfast
9:30 – 11:30 **Subject Study Block 2** — English Language (RC + Vocab)
11:30 – 12:30 **GK Revision** — Monthly CA notes / Static GK
12:30 – 2:00 Lunch + Rest
2:00 – 3:30 **Logical Reasoning** — 30 questions timed practice
3:30 – 4:30 **Quantitative Techniques** — 15 questions + DI sets
4:30 – 5:00 Break + Walk
5:00 – 7:00 **Mock Test / Sectional Test** (alternate days full mock)
7:00 – 8:00 **Error Log + Revision** — Review mistakes, update notes
8:00 – 9:00 Dinner + Light reading (legal news / judgments)
Subject-Wise Strategy
CLAT 2026 UG Syllabus

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How to Conquer Each Section

Legal Reasoning

Best CLAT Coaching in Lucknow for CLAT 2027 & 2028
Highest Weightage

CLAT □□ □□□□ important section□ Passage-based questions □□□ principle apply □□□□ □□□□ □□□ Law background □□□□□ □□□□□

- Always read the given principle carefully — don't apply outside knowledge
- Practice with real CLAT past papers (2015–2024)
- Learn: Torts, Contract, Constitutional principles, Criminal Law basics
- Target: 85%+ accuracy in this section
- 50+ passage sets practice before exam

Current Affairs & GK

Dynamic Section

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- Read The Hindu daily — 45 minutes minimum
- Monthly CA magazines: Clat Possible, Legal Edge
- Static GK: Indian Polity, Constitution, History, Geography
- Important judgments of last 1 year must be memorized
- International events, appointments, awards, summits

English Language

Scoring

1 CLAT Preparation Without Coaching

Comprehension, vocabulary, grammar — all passage-based. Build reading speed first.

- Read 1 editorial daily — analyse argument structure
- Vocabulary: 15 new words per day with context
- Practice RC from diverse topics: law, economy, science, literature
- Avoid reading word-by-word — skim for main idea first
- Target 90 seconds per question in English section

Logical Reasoning

Moderate

Critical reasoning, assumption-conclusion, argument analysis — CLAT tests your legal thinking here.

- Critical reasoning is more important than pure puzzles in CLAT
- Practice: Weaken/Strengthen argument questions daily
- Avoid overthinking — go with the most direct answer
- 30 questions daily for Phases 2 & 3
- Use R.S. Aggarwal for basics, then move to CLAT-specific material

Quantitative Techniques

Easy Marks

Only 10–14 questions but all passage-based graphs/data. Don't ignore — score 10/10 here easily.

- Focus: Data Interpretation, Ratios, Percentages, Averages
- Questions come from graphs, charts, tables — not algebra
- 30 minutes/day is enough — no need to over-invest
- Practice DI sets from CLAT previous years
- Mental math speed: practice calculation without calculator

Resource List

Best Books & Resources for CLAT 2026

Legal Reasoning
AP Bhardwaj — Legal Reasoning for CLAT
Must Read □□□□□
English Language
Wren & Martin (Grammar) + Word Power Made Easy (Vocab)
Essential □□□□□
Logical Reasoning

R.S. Aggarwal + MK Pandey (Analytical Reasoning)
Recommended ⭐⭐⭐⭐
GK & Current Affairs
Lucent's GK + The Hindu + CLATGyan Monthly
Daily Use ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐
Quantitative Techniques
NCERT Class 10 Maths + CLAT-specific DI sets
Sufficient ⭐⭐⭐⭐
Previous Year Papers
CLAT 2015–2024 Solved Papers (Universal / LexisNexis)
Non-Negotiable ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐
Online Resources: CLATGyan, LegalEdge, Clat Possible, PW Law (free videos on YouTube)
Self-Assessment

Weekly Progress Tracker

Use this framework every week to measure your progress honestly.

Target Accuracy by Week 20 (Exam Week)

Legal Reasoning
85%
Current Affairs
80%
English Language
88%
Logical Reasoning
78%
Quantitative Tech.
90%
Critical Advice

Do's & Don'ts of CLAT Preparation

DO These Always

- Read newspaper daily without fail
- Maintain an error log after every mock
- Revise weekly — don't just move forward
- Solve CLAT past papers (2015–2024)
- Attempt full mocks in exam-like environment
- Sleep 7–8 hours — brain consolidates during sleep
- Make short notes for last-minute revision
- Track your weak areas every week

AVOID These Mistakes

- Don't skip Current Affairs even for 1 day
- Don't memorise law — understand and apply
- Don't attempt new topics in last 15 days
- Don't take 10+ mocks without analysing them
- Don't neglect English — it's 28+ questions
- Don't use outside legal knowledge in Legal Reasoning
- Don't panic if one mock score is low
- Don't guess randomly — −0.25 is real

Practice Questions

Sample CLAT-Style Questions

Legal Reasoning

Q1. *Principle:* A person is liable for negligence if they fail to take reasonable care that a reasonable person would take in similar circumstances.

Facts: Ramesh, a doctor, prescribed medicine without examining the patient. The patient suffered side effects. A qualified doctor would always examine before prescribing.
Which of the following is correct?

- A) Ramesh is not liable as he is a qualified doctor
- B) Ramesh is liable for negligence as he failed to act as a reasonable doctor would
- C) Ramesh is liable only if the patient dies
- D) Ramesh is not liable as prescribing is a medical judgment

Answer: B — The principle requires "reasonable care." A reasonable doctor examines before prescribing. Ramesh failed this standard, hence liable.

Q2. *Principle:* An agreement made under coercion is voidable at the option of the party whose consent was so caused.

Facts: Seema signed a property transfer deed after her landlord threatened to evict her illegally. She later challenged the agreement in court.

- A) The agreement is void ab initio
- B) The agreement is valid as she signed it
- C) The agreement is voidable and Seema can challenge it
- D) Only the court can declare it void without Seema's option

Answer: C — Coercion makes an agreement voidable — not automatically void. The aggrieved party (Seema) has the option to avoid it.

English Language (RC-based)

Q3. *Passage:* "The rule of law is the cornerstone of democratic governance. It implies that every citizen, regardless of status, is subject to the law equally. Without it, arbitrary power prevails and justice becomes a privilege, not a right."

The author's primary argument is that:

- A) Democracy is superior to all other forms of government
- B) Equal application of law is essential to prevent arbitrary exercise of power
- C) Justice should be a privilege for the elite
- D) Citizens are always subject to the will of the state

Answer: B — The passage argues that rule of law = equal application, preventing arbitrariness. Option B captures this central thesis accurately.

“The secret of getting ahead is getting started. The secret of getting started is breaking your complex overwhelming tasks into small manageable tasks, and then starting on the first one.”
— MARK TWAIN | Applicable to every CLAT aspirant
Exam Day

Exam Day Strategy

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Start with Strength
Begin with English or Logical Reasoning to build confidence before Legal Reasoning.

Time Allocation
Legal: 35 min | GK: 25 min | English: 25 min | LR: 20 min | Quant: 15 min

Don’t Get Stuck
Mark doubtful questions and move on. Never spend more than 90 seconds on one MCQ.

Negative Marking
Attempt only if you can eliminate at least 2 options. Random guessing = score drop.
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