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Need to Change Exam Preparation Strategy

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ABSTRACT

All over the world, there are different students who acquired the different ways of preparation. Every professional graduator having different mindsets or approach towards the examination. Due to this, some student will get good outcomes in minimum time and some will not get expected outcomes even when they were tried a lot. The examination methods have a large impact on how and when student study and what they learn. The examination should not only be used as a control that a student is qualified, but also as an educational tool to influence the learning process. Over a long period of time, students were thinking that exam would the way where we will express our knowledge. But according to some student will be not. Now a day, a number of students adopted different way of learning and attempting the examination. And getting good marks in an exam will not be an issue. Today, the world is practical oriented. They demand not only the base of knowledge but a group of knowledge along with skills. Also, the way of learning is different than the past decade. Now we have to change our mindset regarding exam and way which will be adopting for it.

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There are many people or student prepare for a different kind of examination. Mode of examination, for different designation, will different like subjective, objective, or oral or any type of physical or mental examination. Students will prepare for them in many ways. Some are starting their preparation before a day, week, month or year too. Also, it having a chance of prolongs learning for examination. We cannot be prepared a subject in a day. If we do that one day before the exam, we cannot achieve a good result. Some people follow the proper exam preparation planning, analysis, practice. I have seen that student who only wants the result and they are not bothered about the knowledge. Also, some student is so much devoted to knowledge and for such student, exam will the way of checking their learning. Some are also believed in practical approach. But in practical we did not get positive support from faculty or even from family and society. There are very rare cases of such seen where people support the practical

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approach of learning. Because of all above matter, society also copied such people and will try to behave like it. In such cases, we think that society will not affect from it. As per human psychology, a person always tries to others. People will try to copy habit, way of his/her life or look at another person who somewhat nearly similar with their thoughts. This impact is also on way of preparation. Student tries to copy the style of others, but it will not effective.

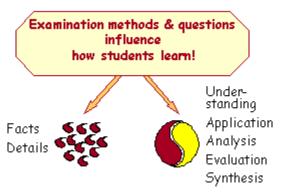


Figure 1: The learning process is influenced by the type of examination.

METHODOLOGY

A] Overview of Various Strategies of Exam Preparation

According to my analysis, the student used the different way of learning. Also, I communicate with different students, I got the same result which was predicted. I mention those cases in following matter-

- 1. One who will prepare on daily basis.
- 2. One who will depend on previous year question papers?
- 3. One who will reliable others (that is when someone will tell them).
- 4. One who will go with proper planning?
- 5. One who will be asked others, but unable to follow him/her.

Along with these details, I have been surveyed online by using google forms. Using google form, I was asking few questions related to their preparation. Some questions are multiple choice questions (MCQ) and some are based on short paragraph type. I put an analysis report on that question and their response as follows:

- 1. What is the purpose of your learning? (Figure 2)
- 2. When you start your examination? (Figure 3)
- 3. How would you improve your learning? (Figure 4)

Student responses are represented in form of pie charts [4]:

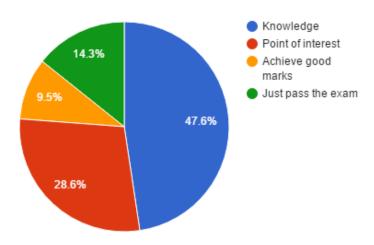


Figure 2: Count of - what is the purpose of your learning?

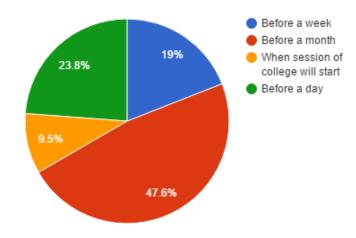


Figure 3: Count of - when you start your examination?

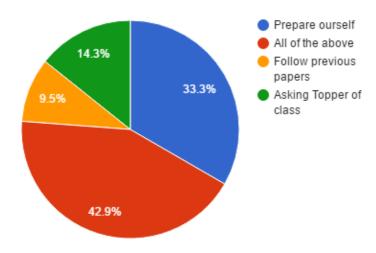


Figure 4: Count of - How would you improve your learning?

B] Proper Method for Exam Preparation

In this domain, I have to try to discuss the ways which will be helpful for preparation. There is the different mode of examination such as subjective, objective or oral. I have only discussed subjective mode of examination because many of us facing the problem with this mode.

1. Target the days

When we come to know that exam dates are released, then we actually come into action. For that purpose, we will be starting our preparation. According to schedule, we are devoted some days for all subjects. This is the important aspect of preparation.

2. Prefer difficult first

We are also avoiding that a subject which is different to us. Due to this, we will always prepare it at last. Do not try it, because it will be affecting on another subject. We will give time to that subject which is easy to read and understand first. This is a big mistake done by the student. If we will start with difficult subject, it might be help to others subject and take more time to prepare that one subject.

3. Analysis of papers

Before starting preparation of any subject, we must go through the previous year's exam papers. It will give better guessing of the area or topics where questions will come. This is most important to your exam. It will definitely helpful your examination.

4. ¾ part of the syllabus

Instead of preparing the whole syllabus, we will go with ¾ part of syllabus. It's mean that prepare ¾ part of each unit. Due to this, we will be covering all syllabuses with perfect credibility.

5. Get benefit of seasonal examination

When a session of an institute is going on, each institute arranges one or two seasonal exams for student assessment. Use this opportunity for doing preparation. Because of this, we will reduce our load on the point view of a final examination. Along with the all above points of method, we will achieve good outcomes.

6. Establishing link

This is the success key of any subjective examination. While preparing, we must link the topics with any diagram, if exist or with some key points. For a diagrammatical question, we must have to link points with diagram. Due to this, we will remember complete answer and diagram too. Also for a theoretical question, we must have to make some key points which will helpful for answer reconstruction.

C] Essential Supplementary

1. Presentation skill

While writing the paper, we must have to take attention on our writing. Student must follow proper format for writing. This is most important aspect because when moderator correct paper, you have to give feel that you should be an articulate student.

Suppose one question who asking that explain the things with neat diagram. For such question, writing a header first. Header of an answer must be like heading of any topic. Then, introduce the header in just a line, not more than that. Introduce the diagram which relating the question. After the neat diagram, you must be explaining the things clearly with diagram. Explaining must be in points.

2. Time management

You could write each and everything related to answer in proper format. But you will lose something when you are not attempting all questions. For that, we will require proper time management. Moderator will impress with your presentation when you will attempt complete questions. Therefore, we must have time management skill.

RESULT AND DISCUSSION

If I conclude my discussion, it will be only used for those students who are lagging in the subjective papers. All above discussion will be helpful and I grantee that student will definitely get good outcome from it. There is only one condition that student will not directly implement. Student should do it in step by step. Because you will implement any other person's strategy, it takes some time. So, implement it in step by step manner. I am not coming to any conclusion because whatever I am telling you, it is my way to prepare. If you follow all steps which are discussed, you will definitely get good outcomes.

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