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Hello everyone, I am Reena Barnwal. I attended IBM off campus referral drive which was a 2 day event.

Day 1: It was on 25th Jan 2013. The day started with document verification.

Round 1: Online Aptitude Test

Number Series: Following questions were there. We had 2.15 minutes for each question.

There was no negative marking scheme.

You cannot skip any question as otherwise you can't go back to the previous question.

1) 1/4, 1/4, 1/2, 3/2, 6, ?

2) 0.8, 1.8, 3.6, 3.6, 4.6, 9.2, 9.2, 10.2, ?

3) 22, 19.5, 21.45, 33, 30.5, 33.55, 44, 41.5, ?

4) 15 3/4, 16, 26, 9 1/5, 9, 19, 64 2/3, 65, 75, 30 3/8, ?

5) 3, 2, 1, 4, 5, 4, 5, 1, 0, 6, 3, ?

6) 3/2, 2 1/4, 9/4, 7/2, 12 1/4, 49/4, 4/3, 1 1/7, 16/9, ?

7) 18, 24, 5, 21, 27, 8, 17, 23, 4, 24, 30, ?

8) 100, 98, 95, 90, 83, ?

9) 1, 3, 3, 2, 8, 10, 3, 4, 12, 4, 8, ?

10) 49, 7, 98, 16, 4, 48, 9, 3, 36, 25, 5, ?

11) 9, 12, 4, 8, 12, 15, 5, 9, 3, 6, 2, 6, 6, 9, ?

12) 5/6, 1/3, 1/2, 1/2, 2/8, 1/4, 5/6, 1/6, 2/3, 1/2, 1/3, ?

13) 33, 8, 41, 21, 67, 72, 47, 119, 124, ?

14) 1/7, 3/4, 4/9, 5/6, 7/11, 7/8, ?

15) 7, 4, 6, 3, 4.5, 1.5, 2.25, -0.75, ?

IBM Aptitude Questions:

Again there were 15 questions and we had about 2 min for each of the question.
I don't remember the question but they were of average. I am not very good at aptitude but I found it good.

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So, it was surely an average test.

You cannot skip any question as otherwise you can't go back to the previous question.

IBM Round 2: Online English Assessment Test:

We were given 22 questions based on voices, preposition, sentence using, and some question related to documentation.

For example, where do you write introduction in formal mails and what do you write to address in the business letter. It is very simple and related to the usual language we use in the business letters and talking. No "ve marking and we were given 20 min. for the test. You cannot skip any question as otherwise you can't go back to the previous question.

After that, we were told to leave. We got the reply on our mails and I got selected for the next round.

IBM DAY 2: We were called on 28th Jan 2013 again for GD round

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Round 3: (Group Discussion): Group of 10-11 was made and my topic was "Social n/w- Stay connected on the go-on mobile. Other topic for another group was "Women Empowerment.

There were 2 judges and they were very friendly and made us feel comfortable. Initially, there was a chaos in GD but later on, they asked each one of them to speak individually. In my group, only one candidate couldn't make through the next round. My suggestion for this round is that don't take the topic in informal way. I didn't speak much but I told only relevant things.

I**BM Round 4: Technical and HR**

Finally my name was called and it was the easiest round for me. The interviewer was very friendly and asked simple question. Some questions were:

1. How was your day and how are you feeling?

2. Introduce yourself, Strengths, weaknesses, family background.

3. Technically, in which language are you comfortable with?

4. Any problem with relocation?

There was not a single question of technical or programming. Instead he asked 1 question to check my analysis quotient only.

Question was "You want to know the number of bicycles in your city.

What approach will you use for it? He didn't wanted any calculation or code, just the approach used to solve the problem. I gave 1 approaches:
#1 Check the National population register and find no. of children and labours in the area this is the class of

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population which uses most no. of cycles. But it will be a tedious approach.

#2 Divide the area in small regions and do the public survey.
And the interviewer was very happy with my 1st approach.

In the end, I asked him about the work culture of IBM. He explained it in detail.

Don't panic guys, if you don't know anything. If it is your day, you will definitely go through all the rounds.

Finally, we were told to wait. They called the names of selected candidates and my name was there in the list.

That was the happiest moment of my life as I was searching for the job since long time as I am a 2012 batch pass out. We filled the Employment Application Form on the same day.

I must mention that team IBM is the most managed team I have seen in all the drives. They are very professional yet friendly people.

And now I can say that I am an IBMer.
Thank You Guys,
All The Best!.

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