

# Situation Test Workbook

For NIFT, Pearl, MIT ID, SRISHTI, SID, UID, ISDI etc.



**"Learn from Pioneers of Home Coaching".**

## About Situation Test Workbook

1. NIFT conducts a Situation Test for admission to the Bachelor of Design (BDes) program. Candidates are shortlisted based on the marks obtained in the Phase 1 Written Exam.
2. Situation Tests are for 2 hours. In the Situation Test, students are expected to create innovative 3D models using materials provided and explain their designs in a write up.
3. Other fashion colleges like Pearl Academy, MIT ID, SRISHTI, SID, UID, ISDI etc, along with Situation Test, also conduct a personal interview and would like to review student's portfolio.
4. SILICA's Home Coaching Kit prepares you for all aspects of situation test, interview & portfolio. The kit has 3 parts: The Workbook, The DVD and The Materials. We recommend students start preparing with the Workbook.
5. The Workbook has detailed explanation about- What is Situation Test, How to attempt the Situation Test, How to manipulate different types of materials, Past 12 Years' Solved Situation Test Questions and More questions for practice.
6. The Workbook, wherever necessary, prompts students to watch the video lessons from the Situation Test DVD. There are 28 video lessons in the DVD including 16 Solved Situation Tests.
7. Students are expected to solve the Practice Questions using the materials provided in the Home Coaching Kit. This will give students the real situation test experience.
8. Students are expected to read the book, watch the video lessons and solve the exercises provided. This book can be completed in 1 to 4 weeks, depending on the time available to students.
9. Students can get feedback on their completed exercises or tests from SILICA's NIFT Faculties. Here's how:
  - I. Take a picture of your completed exercise or test.
  - II. Send Email to [learn.silica@gmail.com](mailto:learn.silica@gmail.com) or Whatsapp Msg to +91 88799 68337.
  - III. Don't forget to mention the exercise details and your Name, Email, Mobile Number and Entrance Exam (e.g. NIFT, Pearl, etc) in your message.

All the Best! Lets start with the Workbook.

**SILICA Team**

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## I. WHAT IS SITUATION TEST?



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- NIFT conducts tests in 2 phases for admission to its Bachelor of Design (B.Des.) program.

Phases	Tests	Weightage in Admission
Phase 1	Creative Ability Test	50%
	General Ability Test	30%
Phase 2	Situation Test	20%

- Shortlisted candidates for B.Des from the written entrance examination are required to undergo a Situation Test which is a hands-on test to evaluate the candidate's skills for material handling and innovative ability in a given situation with a given set of materials.
- The time duration for this test is 2 hours. The candidates are given a situation or problem and a set of materials. The candidates have to use the different materials, construct a 3D model and present their solutions in the time provided.
- The model will be evaluated on Space Visualization, Innovative and creative use of given material, composition of elements, colour scheme, construction skill, finesse of the model and overall presentation etc
- What kind of materials is given** - Materials can vastly vary depending on the situation test. Very few materials are given. The challenge is to solve the test within the constraint. **E.g.** In 2013 Situation test, students were asked to create a utility item for a postman using just cloth, strings and paper.
- A 50-100 words write up explaining their concept and design is expected from students. The weightage of the write up in selection process is 30%. The write-up has to be in English language. No marks will be given for write-up in any other language.
- It is not difficult to learn the techniques and methods of preparing such 3D models, but a procedure always helps you to build concepts and construct models.

## 4. LEARN HOW TO SOLVE PAST 10 YEAR'S SITUATION TESTS



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Let's have a look on to the past 12 year's question bank where you will get an idea about the question pattern along with the solved answers and concept write up for the models.

### ix. NIFT SITUATION TEST QUESTIONS – 2011

#### Question 9 - Design a 3D Model on Entrance door for marriage ceremony.

- MATERIALS:**
- Cardboard –A4 size, Ivory sheet- A4 size
  - Straw-6
  - Rubber band-4
  - Plastic in clay-1 full pack
  - Ice cream sticks-6
  - Thumb pin-6
  - Gift wrapping paper – A3
  - Ribbon- 2 colors 1 meter each
  - cloth paper (Generally used to carry sweets)
  - Cotton-1 roll
  - A small spring which looks like telephone wire

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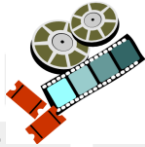
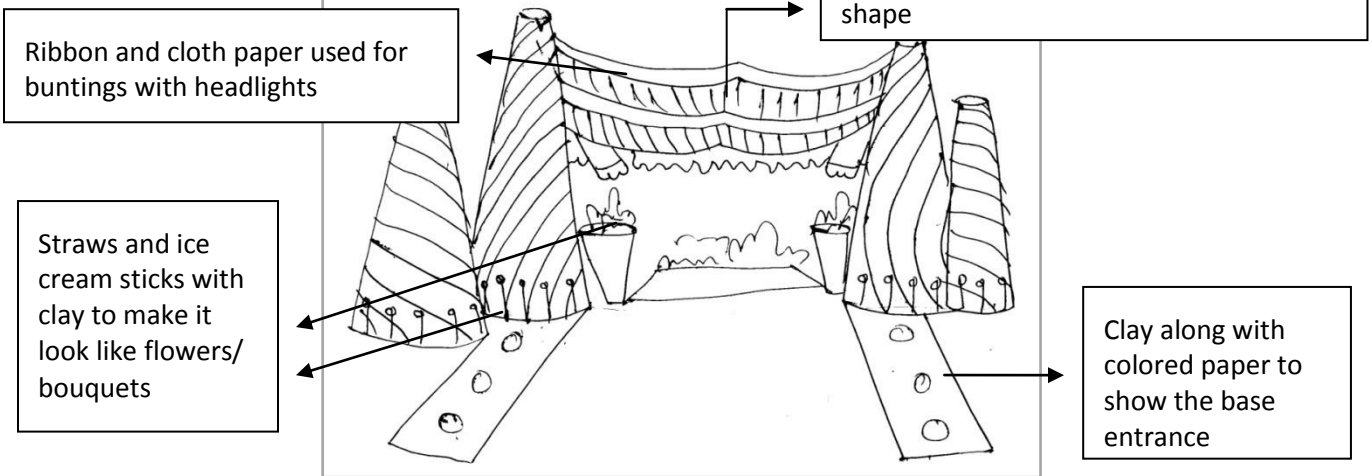
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#### CONCEPT WRITE UP:

The idea is to create an entrance door for a wedding ceremony. The focus should be on tradition, culture and values. By using the provided elements one can decorate the door. Like, wire can be used as stems on which you can add flowers and leafs made of paper. Try using the thick paper sheet to create a 3 dimensional look of the door. Thumb pins and rubber bands can be used for outer boundary.

### SKETCHES:



### NOW WATCH DVD.....

Day 4 – Situation Test 7

Watch how to create a moveable stage for a rock band. You can take inspiration from this and design a similar structure for entrance door of a wedding.



**x. NIFT SITUATION TEST QUESTIONS – 2012**

**Question 10 - Design a 3D Model on Hat or Overcoat or Necklace for Young girl and her Grand Mother.**

**MATERIALS:**

- Pastel sheet-A4 size-Red, yellow, blue, green
- Straw 8-10
- Spiral binding spring
- Corrugated sheet- A4 Size, cloth paper
- Ice cream sticks 8-10
- Thumb pin 8-10
- Rubber bands 8-10
- Clay- 1 full pack
- Cotton roll
- Mount board
- Newspaper

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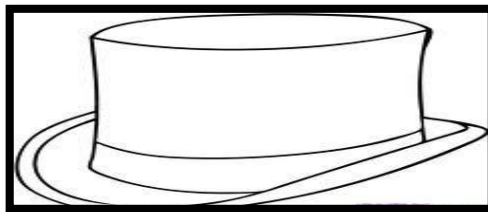


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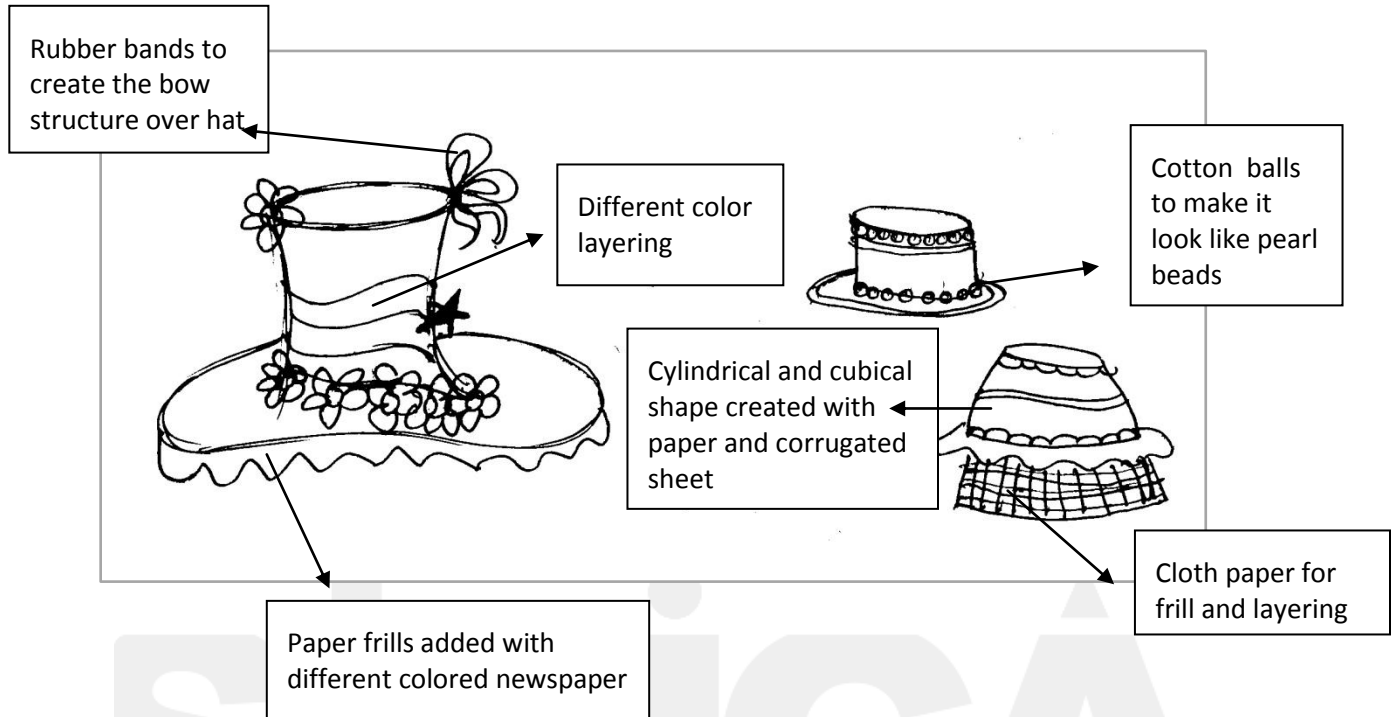
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**CONCEPT WRITE UP:**

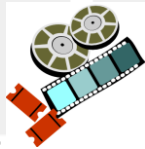
The hat shown above has a cylindrical base, where as if one wish to experiment can make a cubical hat too –a creative and unique concept. For a young girl, the hat can be more cute and colorful where as for granny it can be simple and classy. You can use different color strips over the shape, can cut different types of flowers. Also you can try using cotton balls as pearls for granny's hat. For granny, you can add veil in the front of the hat head to cover from heat and dust.



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**NOW WATCH DVD.....**



Day 4 – Situation Test 8

Watch how to create Lamp Shade. With the same process / method, by using the above given material you can design your own hat. Try exploring with tools and material given but keep in mind their properties.





## 1. PRACTICE ON YOUR OWN – EXPECTED QUESTIONS



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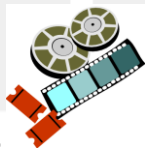
<http://midstockgraphics.com/design/clip-art-of-a-3d-famous-white-person-walking-on-a-vip-red-carpet-towards-stairs-by-andresr-179>

These are few mock test questions for situation test which will help you test your creativity and talent in creating such 3D models. These questions will give you a base of the question pattern as well as knowledge of materials.

**Question 1:** Design a dressing mirror with a stool taking inspiration from any of your favourite cosmetics with the given material. You can use cutter, scissors, plier to make your model. Only tape and paper pins should be used for fixing / attachments.

### MATERIALS:

- |                               |                               |                         |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|
| • A4 size color paper – 2 nos | • Black buttons – 3 nos       | • A3 card paper – 1 no. |
| • Thick thread - ½ mt         | • Ice cream sticks – 4 nos    | • Tooth picks – 10 nos  |
| • Thin thread – 1 mt          | • Beads – 4 nos               | • Thin steel wire – 2mt |
| • UClips & Paper pins - 5 nos | • Straws – 5 nos              | • Cello Tape – 1 spool  |
|                               | • Thick aluminium wire – 1 mt | • Block of clay – 1 no. |



### NOW WATCH DVD.....

Day 1 – Situation Test 2

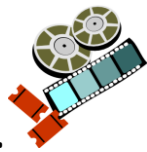
See how creatively and innovatively cloth and sticks have been used to create a folding bed. You can take inspiration from the same answer above question.



**Question 2:** Design an accessory for a milk man keeping in mind the needs and requirements related to his profession and explain your design in 50-100 words. Use tools like plier, scissor, fevicol tube, sand paper and cello tape to create your model.

**MATERIAL :**

- A4 Card paper – 2 nos
- Straws – 2 nos
- Thick Aluminium wire – 2 mt
- A4 Thermocol sheet – 2 nos
- Thin Steel wire – 1 mt
- A4 Printing paper – 5 nos
- A4 Mount board – 1 no.

**NOW WATCH DVD.....**

Day 5 – Situation Test 9

See how creatively and innovatively cloth has been used to create a Bicycle bag. You can take inspiration from the same answer above question.



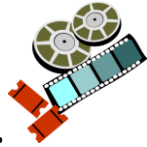
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**Question 3:** Create a 3D model of any public transport vehicle with the given material. Write in 5 sentences about the concept and idea chosen. Use only scissors, plier, paper clips and pins to create the model (no adhesives).

**MATERIAL :**

- Large buttons – 3 nos
- A4 printing paper – 5 nos
- Thin steel wire – 1 mt
- Paper pins – 10 nos
- Beads – 4 nos
- A4 Mount board – 1 no
- Straws – 10 nos
- Rubber bands - 10 nos
- Black buttons – 3 nos
- White buttons – 3 nos



### NOW WATCH DVD.....

Take inspiration from the videos below to solve the above question in your own way.

Day 3 – Situation Test 5 and Day 7 – Situation Test 14



**Question 4:** Design a dress by using materials given for your 6 year old niece on her birthday. Use the following materials only. Explain your concept and what elements you added to the dress.

**MATERIAL :**

- Sewing thread – 1 spool
- Sewing needle – 1 no
- Thick thread - 2 mt
- Fabric 2 x 3 ft – 1 piece
- Fabric 1 x 1 ft – 1 piece
- Thin thread – 5 mt
- A4 colored paper – 1 no
- Scissors – 1 no

**Question 5:** Design jewellery to display at LAKME FASHION WEEK. Also design the packaging for it. Explain your idea in 50-100 words.

**MATERIAL :**

- White buttons – 2 nos
- Straws – 5 nos
- Polythene bag – 1 no
- A4 printing paper – 10 nos
- Large buttons – 10 nos
- Fabric 1 x 1 ft – 1 piece
- Scissors – 1 no
- Black buttons – 2 nos
- Thin steel wire - 2 mt
- Safety pins – 3 nos
- Cutter – 1 no

**Question 6:** Design men's wallet with the given material. Explain your concept behind it. Use fevicol / cello tape for fixing.

**MATERIAL :**

- White buttons – 2 nos
- Sewing thread - 1 spool
- Cutter – 1 no
- A4 printing papers – 5 nos
- Black buttons – 1 no
- Thin thread - 1 mt
- Scissors – 1 no
- Large buttons – 2 nos
- Beads – 2 nos
- Thick thread - 2 mt
- Sewing needle – 1 no

