

6 Helpful Tips for the HackerRank Assessment

Getting ready to take the HackerRank assessment? You might find these tips useful.



If you are currently taking a Data Structures & Algorithms course, consider waiting until you have covered the following topics:

For-loops and Conditionals

Linked Lists

HashMaps

Strings

Arrays

Binary Trees

Stacks and Queues



It's best practice to take HackerRank assessments --and all interview screening test-- on your computer.

Avoid taking the assessment on your phone or iPad.



You can only take the HackerRank one time.

Students are NOT allowed to retake the assessment.



You will have **120 minutes to complete** the assessment; ensure to set aside the full amount of time. It may take at least 60 minutes to complete.

Do not underestimate the time it will take to complete the HackerRank. It's better to over-budget time than under-budget and rush.



Check out [our sample HackerRank assessment](#), which has one multiple choice question and one (1) coding question so you can get familiar with the coding platform.

For more sample questions, HackerRank also has its [own sample questions](#) to give you a more comprehensive idea of what to expect.



Try these problems before you take the calibration test. The questions are similar to the ones on the HackerRank.

Array [The Best Time to Buy and Sell Stocks](#)

Stacks [Valid Parenthesis](#)

Strings [Valid Palindrome](#)

Remember, you don't need to score a 100% to get admitted into the course. We're looking for students with some prior content knowledge, but we're not looking for you to be an expert -- that's what you'll learn in the course!