

their discretion, at any time prior to the grant of the certificate of qualification hereinafter referred to, institute such further inquiries as they may deem necessary; and if the result of such inquiries, in the case of any candidate, should be unsatisfactory to them in any of the above respects, he will be ineligible for admission to the Civil Service of India, and, if already selected, will be removed from the position of a probationer.

5. The open competitive examination will take place only in the following thirty-eight subjects* :—

	Marks.
1. English composition	500
2. Sanskrit language and literature	800
3. Arabic language and literature	800
Greek, not less than two subdivisions, of which one must be translation :—	
4. Translation	400
5. Prose composition	200
6. Verse composition	200
7. Literature, &c.	300
Latin, not less than two subdivisions, of which one must be translation :—	
8. Translation	400
9. Prose composition	200
10. Verse composition	200
11. Literature, &c.	300
12. English language and literature	600
13. Italian, translation, composition, and conversation	400
14. Italian, history of the language and literature	200
15. French, translation, composition, and conversation	400
16. French, history of the language and literature	200
17. German, translation, composition, and conversation	400
18. German, history of the language and literature	200
The history of these languages and their literatures can only be taken by candidates who also offer themselves for the rest of the examination in those languages.	
19. Lower mathematics	1,200
20. Higher mathematics	1,200
Natural science— <i>i.e.</i> , any number not exceeding four of the following, or three if both lower and higher mathematics be also taken :—	
21. Chemistry	600
22. Physics	600
23. Geology	600
24. Botany	600
25. Zoology	600
26. Animal physiology	600
27. Geography	600
28. Greek history (ancient, including constitution)	500
29. Roman history (ancient, including constitution)	500
English history (either or both sections may be taken) :—	
30. Section I: To A.D. 1485	400
31. Section II: A.D. 1485 to 1848	400
32. General modern history	500
33. Logic and psychology	600
34. Moral and metaphysical philosophy	600
35. Political economy and economic history	600
36. Political science	500
37. Roman law	500
38. English law	500

From the marks assigned to candidates in each subject such deduction will be made as the Civil Service Commissioners may deem necessary in order to secure that no credit be allowed for merely superficial knowledge.

Consistently with the limitations specified above, candidates are at liberty to name any of the foregoing subjects, provided that the maximum number of marks that can be obtained from the subjects chosen is limited to 6,000. If this maximum is exceeded by a candidate's selection he will be required to indicate one of his subjects the marks for which should in his case be reduced so as to bring his maximum marks within the prescribed limit. The marks so reduced will be subject to a correspondingly reduced deduction.

Moreover, if a candidate's handwriting is not easily legible, a further deduction will on that account be made from the total marks otherwise accruing to him.†

6. A list of the competitors shall be made out in order of their proficiency as disclosed by the aggregate marks finally awarded to each competitor, and in that order so many competitors, up to the determined number of appointments, as are found by the Civil Service Commissioners to be qualified by examination shall be designated to be selected

* A syllabus defining the character of the examination in the various subjects may be obtained on application to the Secretary, Civil Service Commission, London W.

† It is notified for general information that the number of marks deducted for bad handwriting may be considerable.

candidates for the Civil Service of India, provided that they appear to be duly qualified in other respects. Should any selected candidate become disqualified, the Secretary of State for India will determine whether the vacancy thus created shall be filled or not. In the former case the candidate next in order of merit, and in other respects duly qualified shall be deemed to be a selected candidate.

7. Selected candidates, before proceeding to India, will be on probation for one year, at the end of which time they will be examined, with a view of testing their progress in the following subjects* :—

Compulsory—		Marks.
1. Indian Penal Code		400
2. Code of Criminal Procedure		200
3. The Indian Evidence Act		200
4. Indian history		400
5. The principal vernacular language of the province to which the candidate is assigned		400
Optional [not more than one of the following subjects]—		
1. Hindu and Mohammadan law		450
2. Sanskrit		400
3. Arabic		400
4. Persian		400
5. Hindustani (for candidates assigned to the Province of Burma only)		400

In this examination, as in the open competition, the merit of the candidates examined will be estimated by marks (which will be subject to deductions in the same way as the marks assigned at the open competition), and the number set opposite to each subject denotes the greatest number of marks that can be obtained in respect of it. The examination will be conducted on paper and *viva voce*, as may be deemed necessary. This examination will be held at the close of the year of probation, and will be called the "final examination."

If any candidate is prevented by sickness or any other adequate cause from attending such examination, the Commissioners may, with the concurrence of the Secretary of State for India in Council, allow him to appear at the final examination to be held in the following year, or at a special examination.

8. The selected candidates will also be tested during their probation as to their proficiency in riding.

The examinations in riding will be held as follows :—

- (1) Shortly after the result of the open competitive examination has been declared, or at such time or times as the Commissioners may appoint during the course of the probationary year.
- (2) Again at the time of the final examination. Candidates who may then fully satisfy the Commissioners of their ability to ride well and to perform journeys on horseback will be awarded from 100 to 200 marks, according to the degree of proficiency displayed, to be added to their marks in the final examination. Candidates who fail to obtain 100 marks, but are reported by the Civil Service Commissioners to have reached a minimum standard of proficiency in riding, and are certified by the said Commissioners to be entitled to be appointed to the Civil Service of India, will, on their arrival in India, be subjected to such further tests in riding as may be prescribed by their Government, and shall receive no increase to their initial salary until they have passed such tests to the satisfaction of that Government.

A candidate who fails at the end of the year of probation to satisfy the Civil Service Commissioners that he has reached the minimum standard of proficiency in riding will be liable to have his name removed from the list of selected candidates.

* Instructions, showing the extent of the examination, will be issued to selected candidates as soon as possible after the result of the open competition is declared.

† The principal vernacular language prescribed for each province to which candidates are assigned is as follows :—

- For the United Provinces of Agra and Oudh, the Punjab, or the Central Provinces—Hindustani.
- For Bengal or Assam—Bengali (unless it is the candidate's mother-tongue).
- For Bihar and Orissa—Hindustani.
- For Burma—Burmese.
- For Bombay—Marathi (unless it is the candidate's mother-tongue).
- For Madras—Tamil or Telugu (at the option of the candidate).

In Hindustani the candidate will be required to be acquainted with both the Persian and the Nagari character.

A candidate assigned to Bengal or Assam whose mother-tongue is Bengali must offer for examination Hindustani, a candidate assigned to Bombay whose mother-tongue is Marathi must offer for examination Hindustani, and a candidate assigned to Madras whose mother-tongue is either of the languages shown against his province must offer the other for examination.

† These subjects may not be offered by any candidate who has offered them at the open competition.