



Bain TestGorilla Assessment Guide

Reported sections, smart practice priorities, and test-day checklist

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Bain assessment formats can vary by office, role, and recruiting cycle. Your invite is the source of truth. This guide summarizes official Bain guidance plus commonly reported TestGorilla skill areas so you can prepare without relying on one fixed format.

WHAT MAY BE INCLUDED

Commonly reported assessment areas

Official Bain recruiting materials point to consulting-relevant analytical skills. Candidate reports and prep-market sources use different labels, but the recurring practice themes are below.

1 Numerical Reasoning

Percentages, ratios, averages, rates, tables, charts, quick estimation.

2 Working With Data

Read axes and units, compare values, spot trends, and draw data-supported conclusions.

3 Critical Thinking

Identify assumptions, valid conclusions, weak arguments, and unsupported claims.

4 Case-Style Problem Solving

Structure a business problem, isolate key facts, and choose the most logical next step.

5 Business Judgment

Make practical, client-focused decisions when trade-offs, risks, and constraints matter.

6 Leadership & People Judgment

Handle collaboration, conflict, feedback, prioritization, and stakeholder situations professionally.

Timing & setup: what to expect

- Timing varies. Bain global guidance says about 30-40 minutes; one Bain Seoul FAQ lists about 52 minutes for that office/cycle.
- Bain may use Sova or TestGorilla. Your recruiter email should tell you which assessment is required.
- Use a laptop or desktop, stable internet, and Chrome if possible.
- Pen, paper, and calculator may be allowed for TestGorilla, but follow your invite and platform instructions.

How to prepare efficiently

Prioritize speed, accuracy, and decision quality. The goal is not to memorize a single Bain TestGorilla layout; it is to build fluency across the skill types that appear in official and candidate-reported formats.

Practice priorities

- 1 Quant basics first**
Warm up percentages, ratios, averages, rates, and multi-step word problems. Estimate before calculating.
- 2 Data reading**
Scan title, units, axes, time period, and denominators before touching the answer choices.
- 3 Critical thinking**
Separate facts from assumptions. Choose the answer that is supported by the information given - not by outside knowledge.
- 4 Business judgment**
Favor options that are ethical, client-focused, evidence-based, collaborative, and practical.
- 5 Timed sets**
Practice in one pass. If stuck, eliminate bad options, make the best choice, and keep moving.

Test-day checklist

- Quiet room, laptop or desktop, charger connected, stable internet.
- Use Chrome if possible and close unrelated tabs/apps.
- Have pen, paper, and calculator ready if your instructions allow them.
- Read the timer and number of questions before each section starts.
- Keep video on and your full face visible if the platform requires monitoring.
- Do not use AI tools, screen recording, help from others, or prohibited aids.
- Do not assume you can go back. Answer carefully, then move forward.
- Submit before the deadline in your Bain email.

Avoid these common mistakes

[Preparing for only one section list](#)[Ignoring units](#)[Over-calculating](#)[Overthinking judgment items](#)[Breaking platform rules](#)

Practice TestGorilla skills with iPREP

Build speed with realistic practice questions, detailed explanations, video lessons, analytics, and targeted review.

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Sources checked July 2026: Bain digital assessment FAQ; Bain Seoul AC recruiting FAQ; candidate-reported/prep-market summaries. Exact assessment formats may change.