MET 2026 Paper Analysis Report

Comparative Analysis of the Manipal Entrance Test (May 23 & May 24, 2026)

Executive Summary

An evaluation of the Manipal Entrance Test (MET) 2026 administered across two consecutive testing windows on May 23 and May 24, 2026, reveals a balanced assessment framework. Each testing date accommodated two standard computer-based test sequences: Shift 1 (Morning) and Shift 2 (Afternoon).

The examination maintained an **overall moderate difficulty profile** across all four sessions. While structural parameters remained static, subject-specific weights shifted significantly. Mathematics acted as the principal point of differentiation for students on May 23, whereas May 24 presented a more evenly distributed level of challenge.

240	110+	Moderate
Total Maximum Marks	Target Safe Score	Overall Difficulty Level

Side-by-Side Session Matrix

Subject	May 23 (Shift 1 & 2)	May 24 (Shift 1 & 2)	Trend
Mathematics	Tough and highly lengthy. Intensive calculation overhead.	Moderate but lengthy. High concentration of Class 12 topics.	↘ Slight Drop
Physics	Moderate. Dominated by core numerical problems.	Moderate. Featured tricky, formula-dependent applications.	→ Stable
Chemistry	Easy (Shift 1) to Moderate (Shift 2). Clear standard theory.	Easy. Heavily prioritized Organic Chemistry questions.	↘ Slightly Easier
English	Easy. General language proficiency and comprehension.	Easy. Accessible vocabulary, syntax, and parsing.	→ Stable

In-Depth Subject Analysis

Mathematics Section

Across both days, Mathematics served as the primary time-management constraint. On May 23, the section was universally identified as the toughest across both shifts due to multi-layered calculation structures. On

May 24, the conceptual load normalized to a moderate standard, but sections remained long. Shift 2 of May 24 particularly emphasized the Class 12 syllabus, requiring rapid formula recall and algebraic precision.

Physics Section

Physics exhibited the highest structural consistency across the evaluation windows. Conceptual clarity was prioritized over plain memorization. Shift 1 on both days integrated direct conceptual questions, while afternoon shifts introduced comprehensive, trickier application problems. Numerical calculations dominated the section.

Chemistry & English Sections

- **Chemistry:** Stood out as a major point-scoring segment. The May 23 paper delivered a straightforward theoretical assessment. The May 24 paper pivoted toward Organic Chemistry, rewarding students who had strongly prepared their reaction mechanisms and foundational pathways.
- **English:** Formed an accessible segment focused on evaluating functional linguistic aptitude. Key modules tested included grammar rules, core vocabulary, structural punctuation, and explicit reading comprehension passages.

MET 2026 Examination Architecture & Evaluation

Final rankings and score calculations are governed by a dual-category evaluation architecture designed to balance accuracy and raw speed:

Category of Questions	Correct Action	Incorrect Action
Multiple Choice Questions (MCQs)	**+4 Marks**	**-1 Mark**
Numerical Answer Type (NAT)	**+4 Marks**	**0 (No Penalty)**

References: This paper analysis is meticulously compiled from data reported in official Shiksha exam analysis