

2008–2009 AP[®] EXAM FORMATS

Exam	2008 Percent of Grade	2008 Format	2009 Percent of Grade	2009 Format
Art History	40%	Section I Part A: 4 sets of questions based on slides (16 minutes, 4 minutes per set) Part B: 87 questions (44 minutes)	SAME	Section I Part A: 4 sets of questions based on slides (16 minutes, 4 minutes per set) Part B: 84 questions (44 minutes)
	60%	Section II 9 essays: 1 essay requiring incorporation of art beyond the European tradition (30 minutes) 7 short essays based on slides and/or text (60 minutes) 1 essay (30 minutes)	SAME	SAME
Biology	60%	Section I 100 questions (80 minutes)	SAME	SAME
	40%	Section II 4 mandatory essays (10-minute reading period, 90-minute writing period)	SAME	SAME
Note: No calculators allowed on exam.				
Calculus AB	50%	Section I Part A: No calculator 28 questions (55 minutes) Part B: Graphing calculator required 17 questions (50 minutes)	SAME	SAME
	50%	Section II Part A: Graphing calculator required 3 problems (45 minutes) Part B: No calculator 3 problems (45 minutes)	SAME	SAME
Calculus BC	50%	Section I Part A: No calculator 28 questions (55 minutes) Part B: Graphing calculator required 17 questions (50 minutes)	SAME	SAME
	50%	Section II Part A: Graphing calculator required 3 problems (45 minutes) Part B: No calculator 3 problems (45 minutes)	SAME	SAME
Notes for Calculus AB and BC: For Section II, if a student finishes Part A before the end of the timed 45 minutes for Part A, he/she cannot begin working on Part B; the student must wait until the beginning of the timed 45 minutes for Part B. However, during the timed portion for Part B, students may keep the green insert and go back and work on the problems in Part A without the use of a calculator. The problems will NOT appear in the Section II exam booklet. The three Part A problems will be printed in the green insert. The three Part B problems will be printed in a separate sealed blue insert. Each part of all 6 problems will have a designated workspace in the exam booklet.				
Chemistry	50%	Section I No calculator 75 questions (90 minutes)	SAME	SAME
	50%	Section II Part A: Calculator allowed 3 required questions (55 minutes) Part B: No calculator 3 required questions (40 minutes)	SAME	SAME
Note: The lab-based question in Section II can now appear in either Part A or Part B. The reactions question in Section II (question 4) now consists of three required reactions with a short question on each reaction.				

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Chinese Language and Culture	50%	Section I 70 questions Part A: Listening (approximately 20 minutes) Part B: Reading (60 minutes)	SAME	SAME
	50%	Section II Part A: Writing (approximately 66 minutes) Part B: Speaking (approximately 19 minutes)	50%	Section II 4 Tasks Part A: Writing (approximately 30 minutes) Part B: Speaking (approximately 11 minutes)
Computer Science A	50%	Section I 40 questions (75 minutes)	SAME	SAME
	50%	Section II 4 questions (105 minutes)	SAME	SAME
Note: The GridWorld Exam Appendix MUST be returned with the exam booklets and answer sheets. The language used on the exam will be Java.				
Computer Science AB	50%	Section I 40 questions (75 minutes)	SAME	SAME
	50%	Section II 4 questions (105 minutes)	SAME	SAME
Note: The GridWorld Exam Appendix MUST be returned with the exam booklets and answer sheets. The language used on the exam will be Java.				
Economics: Micro	66.67%	Section I 60 questions (70 minutes)	SAME	SAME
	33.33%	Section II 3 required free-response questions (10-minute reading period, 50-minute writing period)	SAME	SAME
Note: Calculator not permitted.				
Economics: Macro	66.67%	Section I 60 questions (70 minutes)	SAME	SAME
	33.33%	Section II 3 required free-response questions (10-minute reading period, 50-minute writing period)	SAME	SAME
Note: Calculator not permitted.				
English Language and Composition	45%	Section I Approximately 55 questions (60 minutes)	SAME	SAME
	55%	Section II 3 essays (15-minute reading period, 120-minute writing period)	SAME	SAME
English Literature and Composition	45%	Section I 55 questions (60 minutes)	SAME	SAME
	55%	Section II 3 essays (120 minutes)	SAME	SAME
Environmental Science	60%	Section I 100 questions (90 minutes)	SAME	SAME
	40%	Section II 4 questions (90 minutes)	SAME	SAME
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European History	50%	Section I 80 questions (55 minutes)	SAME	SAME
	50%	Section II DBQ and 2 thematic essays (1 each from 2 groups of 3 essays) (15-minute reading period, 115-minute writing period)	SAME	SAME
French Language	50%	Section I 85 questions (85 minutes)	SAME	Section I 80 questions (85 minutes)
	50%	Section II Writing (60 minutes) Speaking (15 minutes)	SAME	SAME
Note: Students will be asked to start and stop their tape recorders at various points during the speaking part of exam.				
French Literature	40%	Section I 70 questions (80 minutes)	SAME	Section I 69 questions (80 minutes)
	60%	Section II (100 minutes)	SAME	SAME
German Language	45%	Section I 70 questions (approximately 80 minutes)	SAME	SAME
	55%	Section II Writing (50 minutes) Speaking (20 minutes)	SAME	SAME
Government and Politics: Comparative	50%	Section I 55 questions (45 minutes)	SAME	SAME
	50%	Section II 8 <u>mandatory</u> free-response questions (100 minutes) 5 short-answer concept questions 1 conceptual analysis question 2 country context questions	SAME	SAME
Government and Politics: United States	50%	Section I 60 questions (45 minutes)	SAME	SAME
	50%	Section II 4 <u>mandatory</u> free-response questions (100 minutes)	SAME	SAME
Human Geography	50%	Section I 75 questions (60 minutes)	SAME	SAME
	50%	Section II 3 essays (75 minutes)	SAME	SAME
Italian Language and Culture	40%	Section I 70 questions Part A: Listening (approximately 25 minutes) Part B: Reading (55 minutes)	SAME	SAME
	60%	Section II Part A: Writing (40 minutes) Part B: Culture (30 minutes) Part C: Speaking (approximately 15 minutes)	SAME	SAME

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Japanese Language and Culture	50%	Section I 70 questions Part A: Listening (approximately 30 minutes) Part B: Reading (60 minutes)	SAME	SAME
	50%	Section II Part A: Writing (approximately 50 minutes) Part B: Speaking (approximately 20 minutes)	50%	Section II 4 Tasks Part A: Writing (approximately 30 minutes) Part B: Speaking (approximately 10 minutes)
Latin Literature	40%	Section I 50 questions (60 minutes)	SAME	SAME
	60%	Section II 3 Catullus questions and 3 of 9 questions (Cicero, Horace, Ovid) (15-minute reading period, 105-minute writing period)	SAME	SAME
Latin: Vergil	40%	Section I 50 questions (60 minutes)	SAME	SAME
	60%	Section II 5 Vergil questions (15-minute reading period, 105-minute writing period)	SAME	SAME
Music Theory	45%	Section I 75 questions (approximately 80 minutes)	SAME	SAME
	45%	Section II Part A: 7 exercises (approximately 68 minutes)	SAME	SAME
	10%	Section II Part B: 2 sight-singing exercises (approximately 8 minutes per student)	SAME	SAME
Physics B	50%	Section I No calculator 70 questions (90 minutes)	SAME	SAME
	50%	Section II 7 questions (90 minutes)	SAME	SAME (Operational and Alternate) Overseas has 6 questions
Note: Calculator permitted on Section II only, with some exceptions. See the 2008, 2009 <i>AP Physics Course Description</i> for more details.				
Physics C: Mechanics	50%	Section I No calculator 35 questions (45 minutes)	SAME	SAME
	50%	Section II 3 questions (45 minutes)	SAME	SAME
Note: Calculator permitted on Section II only, with some exceptions. See the 2008, 2009 <i>AP Physics Course Description</i> for more details.				
Physics C: Electricity and Magnetism	50%	Section I No calculator 35 questions (45 minutes)	SAME	SAME
	50%	Section II 3 questions (45 minutes)	SAME	SAME
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Psychology	66.67%	Section I 100 questions (70 minutes)	SAME	SAME
	33.33%	Section II 2 essays (50 minutes)	SAME	SAME
Spanish Language	50%	Section I 70 questions (approximately 80 minutes)	SAME	SAME
	30%	Section II Writing (80 minutes)	SAME	Writing (20 Fill-ins have been deleted. There are two writing tasks, timing is approximately 65 minutes).
	20%	Speaking (20 minutes)	SAME	
Spanish Literature	40%	Section I 65 questions (80 minutes)	SAME	SAME
	60%	Section II 3 essays (110 minutes)	SAME	SAME
Statistics	50%	Section I 40 questions (90 minutes)	SAME	SAME
	50%	Section II Graphing calculator expected 6 free-response questions (90 minutes)	SAME	SAME
Studio Art	33.33%	Section I (Quality) Drawing and 2-D Design Portfolios: (5 actual works) 3-D Design Portfolio: 10 slides (2 views each of 5 works)	SAME	Section I (Quality) Drawing and 2-D Design Portfolios: (5 actual works) 3-D Design Portfolio: 10 digital images (2 views each of 5 works)
	33.33%	Section II (Concentration) Drawing, 2-D Design, and 3-D Portfolios: 12 slides	SAME	Section II (Concentration) Drawing, 2-D Design, and 3-D Portfolios: 12 digital images
	33.33%	Section III (Breadth) Drawing and 2-D Design Portfolios: 12 slides 3-D Design Portfolio: 16 slides (2 views each of 8 works)	SAME	Section III (Breadth) Drawing and 2-D Design Portfolios: 12 digital images 3-D Design Portfolio: 16 digital images (2 views each of 8 works)
U.S. History	50%	Section I 80 questions (55 minutes)	SAME	SAME
	50%	Section II DBQ and 2 essays (1 each from 2 groups of 2 essays) (15-minute reading period, 115-minute writing period)	SAME	SAME
World History	50%	Section I 70 questions (55 minutes)	SAME	SAME
	50%	Section II 3 <u>mandatory</u> questions: DBQ, continuity/change-over-time essay, and comparative essay (10-minute reading period, 120-minute writing period)	SAME	SAME