

## APUSH EXAM FORMAT

The AP U.S. History Exam is 3 hours and 15 minutes long and has a multiple choice/short answer section and a free response section. Each section is divided into two parts.

**Section I — Part A:** Multiple Choice | 55 Questions | 55 minutes | 40% of Exam Score

- Questions appear in sets of 2 to 5.
- You'll be asked to analyze historical texts, interpretations, and evidence.
- Primary and secondary sources, images, graphs, and maps are included.
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**Section I — Part B:** Short Answer | 4 Questions | 50 minutes | 20% of Exam Score

- Questions provide opportunities for you to demonstrate what you know best.
- Some questions include texts, images, graphs, or maps.
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**Section II — Part A:** Document Based | 1 Question | 55 minutes (includes a 15-minute reading period) | 25% of Exam Score

You'll be asked to:

- Analyze and synthesize historical data.
- Assess written, quantitative, or visual materials as historical evidence.

**Section II — Part B:** Long Essay | 1 Question | 35 minutes | 15% of Exam Score

Select one question among two that will ask you to:

- Explain and analyze significant issues in U.S. history, or
- Develop an argument supported by an analysis of historical evidence