AP® English Language and Composition Exam

Regularly Scheduled Exam Date: Wednesday morning, May 10, 2017
Late-Testing Exam Date: Wednesday afternoon, May 17, 2017

Section I  Total Time: 1 hour
Number of Questions: 55*
Percent of Total Score: 45%
Writing Instrument: Pencil required
*The number of questions may vary slightly depending on the form of the exam.

Section II  Total Time: 2 hours 15 minutes
Number of Questions: 3 essays
(15-minute reading period, 2-hour writing period)
Percent of Total Score: 55%
Writing Instrument: Pen with black or dark blue ink

What Proctors Need to Bring to This Exam

- Exam packets
- Answer sheets
- AP Student Packs
- 2016-17 AP Coordinator’s Manual
- This book — AP Exam Instructions
- AP Exam Seating Chart template
- School Code and Home-School/Self-Study Codes
- Pencil sharpener
- Container for students’ electronic devices (if needed)
- Extra No. 2 pencils with erasers
- Extra pens with black or dark blue ink
- Lined paper
- Stapler
- Watch
- Signs for the door to the testing room
  - “Exam in Progress”
  - “Cell phones are prohibited in the testing room”

Before Distributing Exams: Check that the title on all exam covers is English Language and Composition, and is printed in black. If there are any exam booklets with a different title, contact the AP coordinator immediately.

SECTION I: Multiple Choice

Do not begin the exam instructions below until you have completed the appropriate General Instructions for your group.

Make sure you begin the exam at the designated time. Remember, you must complete a seating chart for this exam. See pages 325–326 for a seating chart template and instructions. See the 2016-17 AP Coordinator’s Manual for exam seating requirements (pages 51–54).

If you are giving the regularly scheduled exam, say:

It is Wednesday morning, May 10, and you will be taking the AP English Language and Composition Exam.

If you are giving the alternate exam for late testing, say:

It is Wednesday afternoon, May 17, and you will be taking the AP English Language and Composition Exam.
In a moment, you will open the packet that contains your exam materials. By opening this packet, you agree to all of the AP Program's policies and procedures outlined in the *2016-17 Bulletin for AP Students and Parents*. Look at your exam packet and confirm that the exam title is “AP English Language and Composition.” Raise your hand if your exam packet contains any title other than “AP English Language and Composition” and I will help you.

Once you confirm that all students have the correct exam, say:

*You may now remove the shrinkwrap from your exam packet and take out the Section I booklet, but do not open the booklet or the shrinkwrapped Section II materials. Put the white seals aside.*

*Carefully remove the AP Exam label found near the top left of your exam booklet cover. Now place it on page 1 of your answer sheet on the light blue box near the top right corner that reads “AP Exam Label.”*

If students accidentally place the exam label in the space for the number label or vice versa, advise them to leave the labels in place. They should not try to remove the label; their exam can still be processed correctly.

*Read the statements on the front cover of Section I and look up when you have finished.*

*Sign your name and write today’s date. Look up when you have finished.*

*Now print your full legal name where indicated. Are there any questions?*

*Turn to the back cover of your exam booklet and read it completely. Look up when you have finished.*

*Are there any questions?*

*You will now take the multiple-choice portion of the exam. You should have in front of you the multiple-choice booklet and your answer sheet. You may never discuss the multiple-choice exam content at any time in any form with anyone, including your teacher and other students. If you disclose the multiple-choice exam content through any means, your AP Exam score will be canceled.*

*Open your answer sheet to page 2. You must complete the answer sheet using a No. 2 pencil only. Mark all of your responses beginning on page 2 of your answer sheet, one response per question. Completely fill in the circles. If you need to erase, do so carefully and completely. No credit will be given for anything written in the exam booklet. Scratch paper is not allowed, but you may use the margins or any blank space in the exam booklet for scratch work. Are there any questions?*

*You have 1 hour for this section. Open your Section I booklet and begin.*

*Note Start Time here _________. Note Stop Time here _________. Check that students are marking their answers in pencil on their answer sheets and that they are not looking at their shrinkwrapped Section II booklets. After 50 minutes, say:*

*There are 10 minutes remaining.*
After 10 minutes, say:

Stop working. Close your booklet and put your answer sheet on your desk, face up. Make sure you have your AP number label and an AP Exam label on page 1 of your answer sheet. Sit quietly while I collect your answer sheets.

Collect an answer sheet from each student. Check that each answer sheet has an AP number label and an AP Exam label. After all answer sheets have been collected, say:

Now you must seal your exam booklet using the white seals you set aside earlier. Remove the white seals from the backing and press one on each area of your exam booklet cover marked “PLACE SEAL HERE.” Fold each seal over the back cover. When you have finished, place the booklet on your desk, face up. I will now collect your Section I booklet.

Collect a Section I booklet from each student. Check that each student has signed the front cover of the sealed Section I booklet.

There is a 10-minute break between Sections I and II. When all Section I materials have been collected and accounted for and you are ready for the break, say:

Please listen carefully to these instructions before we take a 10-minute break. All items you placed under your chair at the beginning of this exam must stay there, and you are not permitted to open or access them in any way. Leave your shrinkwrapped Section II packet on your desk during the break. You are not allowed to consult teachers, other students, notes, or textbooks during the break. You may not make phone calls, send text messages, check email, use a social networking site, or access any electronic or communication device. Remember, you may never discuss the multiple-choice exam content at any time in any form with anyone, including your teacher and other students. If you disclose the multiple-choice exam content through any means, your AP Exam score will be canceled. Are there any questions?

You may begin your break. Testing will resume at ________.

SECTION II: Free Response

After the break, say:

May I have everyone’s attention? For this section of the exam, you will be using a pen with black or dark blue ink to write your responses. Place your Student Pack on your desk.

You may now remove the shrinkwrap from the Section II packet, but do not open either the Section II exam booklet or the orange Section II: Free Response, Questions and Sources booklet until you are told to do so.

Read the bulleted statements on the front cover of the exam booklet. Look up when you have finished.

Now take an AP number label from your Student Pack and place it on the shaded box. If you don’t have any AP number labels, write your AP number in the box. Look up when you have finished.
Read the last statement...

Using a pen with black or dark blue ink, print the first, middle, and last initials of your legal name in the boxes and print today’s date where indicated. This constitutes your signature and your agreement to the statements on the front cover. . . .

Turn to the back cover and, using your pen, complete Item 1 under “Important Identification Information.” Print the first two letters of your last name and the first letter of your first name in the boxes. Look up when you have finished. . . .

In Item 2, print your date of birth in the boxes. . . .

In Item 3, write the school code you printed on the front of your Student Pack in the boxes. . . .

Read Item 4. . . .

Are there any questions? . . .

I need to collect the Student Pack from anyone who will be taking another AP Exam. You may keep it only if you are not taking any other AP Exams this year. If you have no other AP Exams to take, place your Student Pack under your chair now. . . .

Read the information on the back cover of the exam booklet. Do not open the exam booklet until you are told to do so. Look up when you have finished. . . .

Collect the Student Packs. Then say:

Are there any questions? . . .

Read the information on the front cover of the orange booklet. Look up when you have finished. . . .

The total Section II time is 2 hours and 15 minutes. This includes a 15-minute reading period. The reading period is designed to provide you with time to develop thoughtful, well-organized responses. During the reading period you are advised to read Question 1, analyzing and evaluating the sources, and planning your answer. You may read the other essay questions at this time. You may begin writing your responses before the reading period is over. You may make notes in the orange booklet, but your responses must be written in the free-response booklet using a pen with black or dark blue ink.

Write the number of the question you are working on in the box at the top of each page in the exam booklet. If you need more paper to complete your responses, raise your hand. At the top of each extra sheet of paper you use, be sure to write only:

• your AP number, and
• the question number you are working on.

You may now open the orange booklet and exam booklet and begin the 15-minute reading period.
Note Start Time here __________. Note Stop Time here __________. Check that students are writing any notes in the orange booklet. After 15 minutes, say:

The reading period is over. You have 2 hours remaining to complete Section II.

Note Start Time here __________. Note Stop Time here __________. Check that students are using pens and that they are writing their answers in their exam booklets and not in their orange booklets. After 40 minutes, say:

You are advised to move on to Question 2.

After 40 minutes, say:

You are advised to move on to Question 3.

After 30 minutes, say:

There are 10 minutes remaining.

After 10 minutes, say:

Stop working and close your exam booklet and orange booklet. Put your exam booklet on your desk, face up. Put your orange booklet next to it. Do not place your Section II exam booklet inside your orange booklet or vice versa. . . .

If any students used extra paper for a question in the free-response section, have those students staple the extra sheet(s) to the first page corresponding to that question in their exam booklets. Complete an Incident Report. A single Incident Report may be completed for multiple students per exam subject per administration (regular or late testing) as long as all of the required information is provided. Include all exam booklets with extra sheets of paper in an Incident Report return envelope (see page 62 of the 2016-17 AP Coordinator’s Manual for complete details). Then say:

Remain in your seat, without talking, while the exam materials are collected. . . .

Collect a Section II booklet and an orange booklet from each student. Check for the following:

- Exam booklet front cover: The student placed an AP number label on the shaded box and printed his or her initials and today’s date.
- Exam booklet back cover: The student completed the “Important Identification Information” area.
- The student wrote answers in the Section II exam booklet and not in the orange booklet.

The orange booklets must be returned with the rest of your exam materials. Keep the orange booklets separate from the Section II exam booklets. Do not place the Section II exam booklets inside the orange booklets or vice versa.

When all exam materials have been collected and accounted for, return to students any electronic devices you may have collected before the start of the exam.
If you are giving the regularly scheduled exam, say:

You may not discuss or share the free-response exam content with anyone unless it is released on the College Board website in about two days. Your AP Exam score results will be available online in July.

If you are giving the alternate exam for late testing, say:

None of the content in this exam may ever be discussed or shared in any way at any time. Your AP Exam score results will be available online in July.

If any students completed the AP number card at the beginning of this exam, say:

Please remember to take your AP number card with you. You will need the information on this card to view your scores and order AP score reporting services online.

Then say:

You are now dismissed.

Post-Exam Tasks

Be sure to give the completed seating chart to the AP coordinator. Schools must retain seating charts for at least six months (unless the state or district requires that they be retained for a longer period of time). Schools should not return any seating charts in their exam shipments unless they are required as part of an Incident Report.

The exam proctor should complete the following tasks if asked to do so by the AP coordinator. Otherwise, the AP coordinator must complete these tasks.

All exam materials must be placed in secure storage until they are returned to the AP Program after your school’s last administration. Before storing materials, check the “School Use Only” section on page 1 of the answer sheet and:

- Fill in the appropriate section number circle in order to access a separate AP Instructional Planning Report (for regularly scheduled exams only) or subject score roster at the class section or teacher level. See “Post-Exam Activities” in the 2016-17 AP Coordinator’s Manual.
- Check your list of students who are eligible for fee reductions and fill in the appropriate circle on their registration answer sheets.