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# AP LITERATURE EXAM WEB SEARCH

Web Search and Share

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# DIRECTIONS

After class seminar, you will get on a computer and research “The AP Literature Exam.” As you search the web, take notes and think about what you are learning. Look at a diversity of resources from the college board, to teacher websites, blogs, and you must watch ONE VIDEO.

As you finish your research, create at least one Google Slide and record three big “take-aways” and ONE great resource. You will present this to the class on MONDAY 11-27. Please see my sample on slide #4!

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# PLEASE NOTE

I did my sample and research on a different POV than you. I researched “Becoming an AP Teacher & AP Reader.”

You will be looking up the AP Literature & Composition Test, so it will be a little different...

I will revisit and discuss this with you again Wednesday. It is due MONDAY NOV. 27th

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<https://movingwriters.org/2017/10/10/why-thi-snot-that-a-thinking-ro-utine-to-move-kids-fro-m-identification-to-ana-lysis/>: my best

resource--this could be a great mentor text! Plus, it involves this guy below...



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# MRS. RUTAN

## My lessons: What I learned...

1. Teaching AP is the best--there is no reading list, or required “pedagogy.” *The style and literature is completely up to the teacher.*
2. AP readers find lots of essay that say, “The writer paints a picture of imagery” which is problematic because it doesn’t state analysis, and writers don’t paint!
3. My Video: I watched kids face off with poetry, and they were awarded points. I should try this in my class!
  - a. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jCkUEU3zybM>

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# CHECKLIST

1. Research and explore the web for “THE AP LIT. EXAM”
  2. Take notes and collect your findings.
  3. Diversify your sources and watch one video
  4. Make a Google Slide and record your finding (need 3).
  5. Copy-paste a resource and be able to explain why it was so helpful.
  6. Make your Google slides interesting & helpful to read.
  7. Present on Monday!
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<https://apstudent.collegeboard.org/apcourse/ap-english-literature-and-composition/about-the-exam>

This resource is very reliable--College Board is the creator of the AP test which makes anything they say trustworthy.

# AP<sup>®</sup> Students

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## Alex Newman

### My Lessons/Takeaways

- You should always know the content of what you are reading; knowing background info about the author/when it was written can be an **advantage**.
  - The exam is a total of 3 hours and 15 minutes long--it consists of an hour of multiple choice questions and 2 hours and 15 minutes of free response questions
  - There are 8 types of AP Lit multiple choice questions: Reading Comprehension, Inference, Identifying and Interpreting Figurative Language, Literary Technique, Character Analysis, Overall Passage Questions, Structure, and Grammar.
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<https://apcentral.collegeboard.org/courses/ap-english-literature-and-composition/exam?course=ap-english-literature-and-composition>

- This is a great resource when researching the AP Exam; this page gives you a summary of the test, as well as an overview of what to expect, AND specifically what to study for! Also includes example questions from previous tests.

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# Sam Bussler

## My Lessons: What I Learned...

- The AP Exam is split up into TWO different sections; Section 1 consists of 55 multiple choice questions that you're given 1 hour to complete, with Section 2 being 3 free response questions you're given 2 hours to complete!
- **Section 1 is 45%** of your Exam score, and **Section 2 is 55%** of your Exam score.
- My Video helped me out by giving me very helpful tips and tricks for *both* sections of the Exam...

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Nc0Aii67Ano>

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# Sierra

## What I learned...

- [The AP exam](#) is split up into 2 sections, 1- with 55 multiple choice questions (1 hour long) 45% of exam score. And 2- with 3 free-response questions (2 hours long) 55% of exam grade
- [This](#) site talked about many things to remember when taking the test, for example, for the free response, be unique, scorers don't like reading the same idea over and over again!
- [This](#) cute little video was basic test taking stuff at first but got into some good strategies for the writing part, reminding test takers to answer both parts of the free response if there are 2 parts.

[This link](#) was super useful because it was actually from the school board. Gives an idea of what they are testing

AP Lit exam coming up?



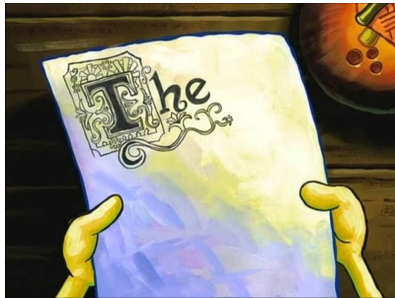


I actually found a  
—‘study guide’ for the  
entire AP test!

<http://teachers.sduhsd.net/ppennock/ap%20resource%20packet.pdf>

My video kept me intrigued while still providing several pieces of basic info regarding the exam.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6XipaNqM3U0>



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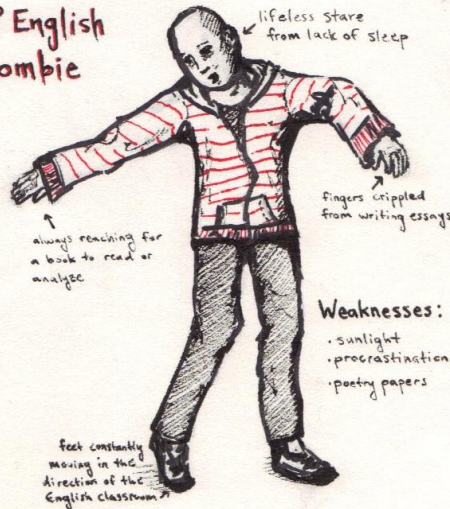
## Catie Scott

- The A.P. Lit exam comprises of 2 sections. The first section is 55 multiple choice questions that is 45% of your exam score; the second section is 3 free response questions that is 55% of your exam score.
  - Evidence is significant. If you can't find evidence to support an answer to a multiple choice question then it is wrong and obviously citational evidence from given passages is crucial in free response questions.
  - Diction is also very important. Being able to pick apart more difficult questions in the first section or used more advanced words correctly on free responses will aid your score dramatically.
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<https://apstudent.collegeboard.org/apcourse/ap-english-literature-and-composition/exam-practice>

This website is really cool because it provides you with practice questions that came off of exams from previous years.

The AP English  
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## Grace Van Horn

# My Lessons: What I learned...

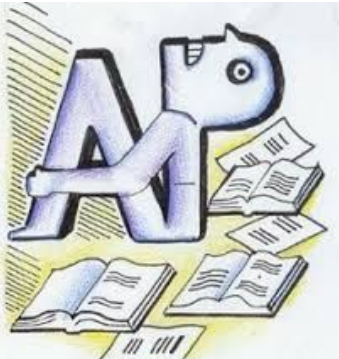
- The exam is 3 hours long, divided into 2 sections:
  - Multiple Choice
    - 1 hour long, 55 questions (45% of exam score)
  - Free Response
    - 2 hours long, 3 free response questions: poem, prose, and analysis (55% of exam score)
- A tip I learned is to read through all of the questions to see which ones you feel most prepared to answer. Then you can answer the questions in the order that will help you perform your best.
- I liked this video because she spoke from her personal experience with the exam and shared the things that helped her do well.

<https://youtu.be/u-R0OxiIRX4>

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<https://apcentral.collegeboard.org/courses/ap-english-literature-and-composition/exam?course=ap-english-literature-and-composition>

This website was the most helpful to me because it broke down the exam. It had a lot of practice questions and free responses which will be very helpful to use to study.



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# Emma Berning

The AP Lit exam is divided into two sections; the first section is 55 multiple choice questions (45% of the exam) and the second section is 3 free response questions (55% of the exam).

A tip I learned is to remember that on the multiple choice section the diction in the answers will be lofty in order to trick readers in thinking that it could be the best answer, while some will be too general or too specific for the question.

My video I found was super helpful in explaining strategies to use on the multiple choice section, and explained why answers could be wrong.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6dnn9TU1wpY>

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<https://wehavekids.com/education/How-to-Gret-a-5-on-The-AP-Literature-Exam>

I liked this website the best because it gave me step by step instructions on how to study/prepare for the exam.

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## Shereelyn Reed

### My Lessons: What I learned

1. Section 1 of the test is 55 questions and one hour while section 2 is three free response papers and two hours
  2. The multiple choice will never ask you something that isn't directly from the passage, so if you can't find clear evidence it isn't the right answer.
  3. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6XipaNgM3U0> I really liked this video because it was funny but also gave me a lot of good tips on how to make sure I am really prepared and how to stay focused.
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- <https://apstudent.collegeboard.org/apcourse/ap-english-literature-and-composition/exam-practice>

- This link has tons of exam practice with real questions from past exams several years back!

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# Payton Wheeler

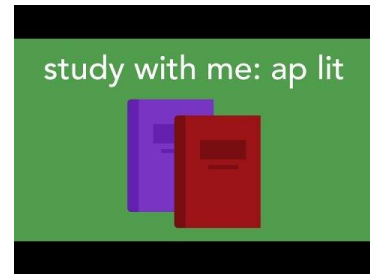
## What I learned...

- Section I is the multiple choice section and takes one hour. This is 45% of the exam score. Section II is the free response section and takes two hours. This is worth 55% of the exam score
  - Multiple choice section will consist of excerpts from published works of drama, poetry or prose fiction, whereas free response consists of literary analysis of poem, prose, or a specific concept, issue, or element in a work of literature you select.
  - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Nc0Aii67Ano> This video is full of tips and information on what to expect on exam day, and how to go about answering the prompts correctly. Following these tips, you're sure to ace the exam!
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# Kaitlyn Geigle

<https://www.albert.io/blog/ap-english-literature-tips/amp/>

This blog is very helpful. It provides many tips for not only the AP Lit exam and what to expect, but it also gives advice to AP students on things to do during the class itself to help them prepare for the test.



This video is very interesting and helpful. It gives advice from the perspective of an AP Lit student and her tips on things to do in class to help prepare. Her other videos are also very helpful!

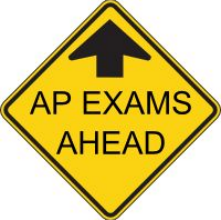
## AP Exam; What You Should Know

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- I. **The Multiple Choice Portion:** Contains 55 questions based on several reading excerpts. These include pieces of drama, verses, poems, and prose fiction. This portion lasts an hour.
- II. **The Free Response Essay:** Includes 3 essays required to write. Each essay has a different prompt from the following categories:
  - A. Analysis of poem
  - B. Analysis of prose fiction
  - C. Analysis on a specific concept, issue, or element in a literary work selected by student.
- III. Reading is key! Make sure to read passages and questions carefully. A helpful tip is to read multiple choice questions before reading the passages to know what to look for.

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Most importantly: **Don't Stress!**



# Olivia Orr: What I Learned...

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## Essay 1 & 2: Literary passage analysis.

- One essay will be poetry and the other will be prose
- Analyze the piece
  - **ANNOTATE THE PROMPT**

## Essay 3: Thematic analysis

- Choose which work essay is written about.
  - Must have literary merit.
- The list of works provided consist of pieces written from all time periods and countries.

## Essay Grading

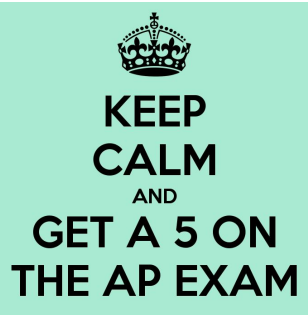
- Essays will receive score of 0-9
- Rubrics are similar
- <https://blog.prepscholar.com/ap-literature-exam>

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JyuYTfgrlmQ>
  - I found this video helpful because she discusses that it is okay to go about the exam in “our own way” and emphasizes on how to go from **WHAT** to **HOW** effectively.
- **Multiple Choice Section**
  - The date ranges of works could fall from the 16th to the 21st century.
  - 4-5 excerpts of prose and poetry.
  - Reading comprehension, inference, identifying and interpreting figurative language, literary technique, character analysis, structure, overall passage questions, and grammar (8 types of questions typically found on MC section of the exam).



<https://apstudent.collegeboard.org/apcourse/ap-english-literature-and-composition/exam-practice>

This link leads to a page that has released exams from 2001-2012. If you create an account, you can access these and practice with them.



## What I Learned...

- 45% of the exam is multiple choice questions, so while the exam is very important, time needs to be given to practice exams
  - There are eight types of multiple choice questions: reading comprehension, inference, identifying and interpreting figurative language, Literary techniques, character analysis, overall passage questions, structure, and grammar
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I would consider this resource extremely trustworthy because they are the creators of the AP Exam. This website goes over what you should be studying throughout the course and specifics for the exam.



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# What I learned- Molli Denney

- The exam is a three hours long, make sure you get plenty of rest so you are sharp and ready to focus the day of the exam.
- For the 55 multiple choice questions, READ the questions first. This way you will know what to focus on while annotating the excerpt.
- You will need to write on the different prompts in the free response portion. Make sure you know your class literature.

Great source:

<https://apstudent.collegeboard.org/apcourse/ap-english-literature-and-composition>

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<https://blog.prepscholar.com/ap-literature-exam>

- This was an amazing website, it had a comprehensive list of all 8 question types, a rubric for all of the essays, and an in depth explanation for it all.

## Elayna Hagen- What I Learned

1. In the multiple choice section, you will read 4-5 excerpts of prose and poetry; with date ranges from 16th to 21st century. You will usually see 8 types of questions:
  - a. Reading Comprehension
  - b. Inference
  - c. Identifying and Interpreting Figurative Language
  - d. Literary Technique
  - e. Character Analysis
  - f. Overall Passage Questions
  - g. Structure
  - h. Grammar/Nuts and Bolts
2. There are 3 free response questions- each should take about 40 minutes.
  - The first 2 will be analyzing two passages, one will be poetry and the other prose.
  - The third will be a thematic analysis
3. 6 test taking strategies:
  1. Answer Every Question
  2. Look Back at the Passage
  3. Interact with the Text
  4. Know 4-5 Books **Very Well**
  5. Plan Out Your Essays
  6. Manage Essay Time Closely

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6XipaNqM3U0>

This video was very helpful, it was created by someone I know so it had a relatability factor and it provided sound information

