

TEACHING AND LEARNING

AP Classroom Tools

Course and Exam Support

COURSE AND EXAM DESCRIPTIONS

Course and Exam Descriptions lay out the course content and skills, along with recommended sequencing and pacing for them throughout the year. Each Course and Exam Description includes:

- Course at a Glance, a visual overview of the course topics. Teachers can use it as a quick list of all the topics and skills typical of a college course and therefore, eligible to appear on the AP Exam.

UNIT GUIDES

Unit Guides within the AP Course and Exam Description identify the course topics and skills that students need to learn. Within each Unit Guide, teachers will find the:

- Topic Pages, which describe the content for each topic and will help teachers focus instruction on key concepts. They can be used to identify learning objectives, essential knowledge, and suggested skills to pair with the content.

Teachers who choose to follow their own sequence and pacing calendar can use Course at a Glance, a visual overview of the course topics, as a quick list of all the topics and skills typical of a college course and hence, eligible to appear on the AP Exam.

AP EXAM PRACTICE AND REVIEW

Teachers can use AP Classroom to help their students prepare for AP Exams. Full of thousands of released AP Exam questions, the Question Bank can be used to give students practice with the topics and skills they've already learned.

Learn more at
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Daily Support

AP DAILY VIDEOS

(New for the 2020-21 School Year)

AP Daily learning videos give students direct instruction on every topic and skill in an AP course. These videos launch on September 1, beginning with Unit 1. Videos for all other units will be added before the point when most teachers reach those units. Each video will range in length from 8-10 minutes.

- Teachers can assign these as homework before or after covering that topic in class, using these videos to help all students keep pace with the curriculum despite variations in schedules and circumstances.
- Students can watch each video by signing in to their free AP Classroom student account.

TOPIC QUESTIONS

Topic questions assess specific content-skill pairings, so teachers can pick the questions that have been developed specifically for the content and skills they're teaching.

Teachers can assign topic questions and use the results to identify common misunderstandings and the students who need additional help. Topic Questions can be assigned:

- Before a topic is taught, to assess prior knowledge.
- While teaching a topic, to get immediate feedback on student learning.
- After teaching a topic, to get data on what students know and can do.

PERSONAL PROGRESS CHECKS

Personal Progress Checks assess students' understanding of all the topics and skills within a unit.

After students complete a Personal Progress Check, teachers can use the class report to discuss common challenges with students, identify topics to reteach, and to help focus student review.