

STRUCTURE OF THE EXAM

Part I: Multiple Choice

Time: 60 minutes	Value	Probable Structure:
60 minutes includes reading the passages and choosing answers	45% of the exam score All questions are of equal value	55 questions on 5 passages 17 th -21 st century prose & poetry

Part II: Free Response

Time: 120 minutes	Value	Probable Structure:
120 minutes one block of time; students divide it up as they like	55% of the exam score Essays are scored on a 9- point scale	1 poetry question 1 prose question 1 “open” question

CALCULATING THE AP EXAM SCORE

PRE-DETERMINED:

Total points possible = 150 — Essays: 55%, Multiple-Choice, 45%

Multiple-choice section

TOTAL		Each passage*		Each question	
<i>points</i>	<i>percent</i>	<i>points</i>	<i>percent</i>	<i>points</i>	<i>percent</i>
67.5	45 %	13.5	9 %	1.2272	.818 %

* assumes, *incorrectly*, that all passages count equally

Essay section

TOTAL		Each Essay		Each point (on the 9-point scale)	
<i>points</i>	<i>percent</i>	<i>points</i>	<i>percent</i>	<i>points</i>	<i>percent</i>
82.5	55 %	27.5	18 %	3.0556	2.04 %

