**Structure of the AP US History Exam, 2018**

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| Section I, Part A: Multiple choice—55 questions; 55 minutes (40% of exam score) |

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| Section I, Part B: Short answer—3 questions; 40 minutes (20% of exam score) |

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| **What's New:** The number of required questions has been reduced to three, and the time provided will be 40 minutes. Students will now choose between two options for the final required question: |

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| Question 1 (required): periods 3–8 |

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| Question 2 (required): periods 3–8 |

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| Students will choose between question 3, periods 1–5, and question 4, periods 6–9 |

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| Section II, Part A: Document based—1 question; 60 minutes (25% of exam score) |

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| **What's New:** Five minutes have been added, and the document-based question now focuses on topics from periods 3–8. |

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| Section II, Part B: Long essay—1 question; 40 minutes (15% of exam score) |

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| **What's New:** Five minutes have been added. Question choices still focus on the same theme and skill, but students will now choose from three options: |

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| Option 1: periods 1–3 |

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| Option 2: periods 4–6 |

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| Option 3: periods 7–9 |

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| Visit AP Central® for rubrics, sample student essays, and complete details on the exam format. |

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