

AP JAPANESE LANGUAGE AND CULTURE



Course Overview

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AP Japanese Language and Culture Exam:

Section	Question Type and Skills	# of Qs and Weight		Time
Section I	Multiple Choice	70 Questions	50%	1 Hour 30 Minutes
Part A: Listening	Conversations, Debates, Instructions, Broadcasts, Announcements	30-35 Questions	25%	20 Minutes
Part B: Reading	Email, Instructions, Letters, News Articles, Short Stories, Travel Brochures	35-40 Questions	25%	60 Minutes
Section II	Free Response	4 Tasks		45 Minutes
Part A: Writing	Text Chat	6 Questions	12.5%	10 Minutes
	Compare and Contrast Article	1 Question	12.5%	20 Minutes
Part B: Speaking	Conversation	4 Questions	12.5%	3 Minutes
	Cultural Perspective Presentation	1 Question	12.5%	7 Minutes

All AP Exams are scored on a 5-point scale. These scores are used to assess student success in the course but are NOT tied to student course letter grades. Students take the AP Exam in early to mid-May and receive their scores from College Board in July.

Course Description: AP Japanese Language and Culture course is designed to be comparable to college/university Japanese courses that represent the point at which students complete approximately 300 hours of college-level classroom instruction. Like the corresponding college courses, the AP course supports students as they develop the productive, receptive, and cultural skills necessary to communicate with native speakers of Japanese. Student's proficiency level at the end of the course are expected to reach at least Intermediate Low to Intermediate Mid-range, as described in the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL) Proficiency Guidelines.

***NOTE:** Acceptance into AP Japanese requires an in-person interview with Lira Sensei during application time. Prerequisite: Completion of at least Level 3 Honors.