

Exam Overview

*The AP Chemistry Exam assesses student application of the science practices and understanding of the learning objectives outlined in the course framework. The exam is 3 hours and 15 minutes long and includes 60 multiple-choice questions and 7 free-response questions. A scientific or graphing calculator is recommended for use on **both sections** of the exam. Students are provided with the periodic table and a formula sheet that lists specific and relevant formulas for use on the exam (see Appendixes). The details of the exam, including exam weighting and timing, can be found below:*

Section	Question Type	Number of Questions	Exam Weighting	Timing
I	Multiple-choice questions	60	50%	90 minutes
II	Free-response questions		50%	105 minutes
	Long questions (10 points each)	3		
	Short questions (4 points each)	4		

How Student Learning Is Assessed on the AP Exam

Section I: Multiple-Choice

Science Practices 1, 2, 4, 5, and 6 are all assessed in the multiple-choice section with the following exam weighting (Science Practice 3 is not assessed in the multiple-choice section):

Science Practice	Exam Weighting
Practice 1: Models and Representations	8–12%
Practice 2: Question and Method	8–12%
Practice 4: Model Analysis	23–30%
Practice 5: Mathematical Routines	35–42%
Practice 6: Argumentation	8–12%

Section II: Free-Response

All six science practices are assessed in the free-response section with the following exam weighting:

Science Practice	Exam Weighting
Practice 1: Models and Representations	2–4%
Practice 2: Question and Method	10–16%
Practice 3: Representing Data and Phenomena	8–16%
Practice 4: Model Analysis	5–9%
Practice 5: Mathematical Routines	43–53%
Practice 6: Argumentation	15–24%