

AP Human Geography score calculator: the worksheet and the conversion table (May 2027 format)

How the exam is scored

Section	Questions	Time	Share	Points
I: multiple choice	60	1 hour	50%	60, one each, no penalty for wrong answers
II: Question 1 (no stimulus)				7 points
II: Question 2 (one stimulus)				7 points
II: Question 3 (two stimuli)				7 points
II: free response total	3	1 hour 15 minutes	50%	21
Total		2 hours 15 minutes	100%	composite as a percentage

The worksheet

1. Multiple choice correct (out of 60):

2. Line 1 / 60 x 50 = multiple-choice share (%):

3a. Question 1 (no stimulus) (out of 7):

3b. Question 2 (one stimulus) (out of 7):

3c. Question 3 (two stimuli) (out of 7):

4. Free-response total (out of 21):

5. Line 4 / 21 x 50 = free-response share (%):

6. Composite = line 2 + line 5 (%):

The conversion table (estimates; the College Board sets the real cut points after each exam)

AP score	Composite	For example	Means
5	70% and up	42 of 60 multiple choice and 15 of 21 free response	Extremely well qualified
4	58% to 69%	35 of 60 multiple choice and 12 of 21 free response	Well qualified
3	45% to 57%	27 of 60 multiple choice and 9 of 21 free response	Qualified
2	34% to 44%	20 of 60 multiple choice and 7 of 21 free response	Possibly qualified
1	under 34%		No recommendation

Worked example: 44 of 60 multiple choice and free-response scores of 5, 5, 5 (15 of 21) give a composite of 72.4%, a 5 on the table. A composite within three points of a cut is on the line, not over it.

What the scores say, where the points are lost, and the plan

The May 2025 results (College Board)

Score	5	4	3	2	1	3 or higher	Mean
Share of 282,781 students	17.0%	25.2%	22.5%	25.4%	9.9%	64.7%	3.14

What the free-response questions ask

- [] Each question has seven parts labelled A to G, one point each, with the task verbs identify, describe, explain and compare; at least two of the three questions ask about spatial relationships across scales
- [] The stimulus questions require the answer to use the map, table or image given: a pattern named from the map, a figure read from the table

Where the points are lost: tick the ones that are yours

- [] 'Explain' answered as 'describe': the point needs the because
- [] A part answered without reference to the stimulus when the question says 'using the map'
- [] A concept named ('gentrification') without the example or the process the part asks for
- [] Parts skipped because they look hard; each is one point and independent of the others
- [] Multiple choice: the models (von Thünen, Burgess, Rostow, the demographic transition) confused with each other

From a practice composite to the exam

Practice composite	Likely score now	What moves it most
under 45%	1 or 2	content first: the units with the most multiple-choice misses, then one free-response question a week marked to the scoring guidelines
45% to 57%	3	the free response: every lost point is a specific missing thing on the rubric; fix the pattern, not the question
58% to 69%	4	timing and the hardest question type; a full timed paper every two weeks
70% and up	5	keep it: a timed paper every two weeks and the questions that score under 70 percent

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