

Table 4.2 – Scoring Worksheet (page 96)

Please use the following in place of the scoring worksheet found on page 96 in the AP 1999 Biology Released Exam. The worksheet found within the printed book itself should not be used because beginning with the May 2011 administration of AP Exams, the method for scoring the multiple-choice section has changed. Beginning in 2011, total scores on the multiple-choice section are based on the number of questions answered correctly. Points are no longer deducted for incorrect answers and, as always, no points are awarded for unanswered questions.

Section I: Multiple-Choice

$$\frac{\text{Number Correct (out of 119)}}{\text{Number Correct (out of 119)}} \times .7563 = \frac{\text{Multiple-Choice Score}}{\text{Multiple-Choice Score}} = \frac{\text{Weighted Section I Score (do not round)}}{\text{Weighted Section I Score (do not round)}}$$

Section II: Free Response

Question 1 $\frac{\text{_____}}{\text{(out of 10)}} \times 1.500 = \frac{\text{_____}}{\text{(Do not round)}}$

Question 2 $\frac{\text{_____}}{\text{(out of 10)}} \times 1.500 = \frac{\text{_____}}{\text{(Do not round)}}$

Question 3 $\frac{\text{_____}}{\text{(out of 10)}} \times 1.500 = \frac{\text{_____}}{\text{(Do not round)}}$

Question 4 $\frac{\text{_____}}{\text{(out of 10)}} \times 1.500 = \frac{\text{_____}}{\text{(Do not round)}}$

Sum = $\frac{\text{_____}}{\text{Weighted Section II Score (Do not round)}}$

Composite Score $\frac{\text{Weighted Section I Score}}{\text{Weighted Section I Score}} + \frac{\text{Weighted Section II Score}}{\text{Weighted Section II Score}} = \frac{\text{Composite Score (Round to nearest whole number)}}{\text{Composite Score (Round to nearest whole number)}}$

AP Score Conversion Chart Biology 1999	
Composite Score Range	AP Score
92-150	5
73-91	4
57-72	3
40-56	2
0-39	1

*The candidates' scores are weighted according to formulas determined in advance each year by the Development Committee to yield raw composite scores; the Chief Faculty Consultant is responsible for converting composite scores to the 5-point AP scale.

Table 4.4—Section I Scores and AP Scores (page 97)

Due to the changes in multiple-choice scoring, the range of scores in Table 4.4 have changed, though the percentages remain the same. Please find the revised range of multiple-choice scores in the table below.

For a given range of multiple-choice scores, this table shows the percentage of students receiving each AP score. If you have calculated the multiple-choice score (**Weighted Section I Score**) by using the formula shown in Table 4.2, you can use this table to figure out the most likely score that the student would receive based only on that multiple-choice score.

Multiple-Choice Score	AP Score					Total
	1	2	3	4	5	
82 to 90	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	12.4%	87.5%	18.5%
68 to 81	0.0%	0.0%	13.1%	71.7%	15.2%	21.9%
54 to 69	0.0%	11.7%	71.6%	16.6%	0.1%	24.5%
40 to 53	6.9%	78.9%	14.1%	0.1%	0.0%	21.7%
0 to 39	86.3%	13.6%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	13.4%
Total	13.1%	21.8%	23.5%	22.1%	19.6%	100.0%

How AP Scores Are Determined (page 95): A Change to How the Score on Section I is Calculated

The information on how AP scores are determined have remained largely unchanged. The only portion that has changed is step one, described on page 95, which indicates how the score on Section I is calculated. Points are not deducted for incorrect answers in the multiple-choice section. The maximum possible weighted score on Section I is 90 points, and it accounts for 60 percent of the maximum possible composite score.

NOTE: Please refer to the printed book for a full explanation of how AP scores are determined, including a detailed description of all the steps in the process of calculating the composite score and converting it to an AP score.