

## AP Class (Grade 9-12)

### AP404 - AP Biology

#### Key Exam Details

- Chemistry of Life: 8%- 11%
- Cell Structure and Function: 10%- 13%
- Cellular Energetics: 12%- 16% ca
- Cell Communication and Cell Cycle: 10%- 15%
- Heredity: 8%- 11%
- Gene Expression and Regulation; 12%- 16%
- Natural Selection: 13%-20%
- Ecology: 10%- 15%

#### Session 1 & 2: 32 classes

Unit/Topic	Description	Date	Status
Unit 1: Basic Chemistry  Structure of water and hydrogen bonding  Elements of life	<b>Basics of AP Biology Exam</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Exam structure</li> <li>● Study guides</li> <li>● Test scores</li> </ul> <b>Structure of water and hydrogen bonding</b> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Hydrogen bonds in water</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Surface tension</li> <li>● Capillary action</li> <li>● Specific heat, heat of vaporization, and density of water</li> </ul> <b>Elements of life</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Matter, elements, and atoms</li> <li>● Carbon and hydrocarbons</li> <li>● Functional groups</li> </ul> Review: periodic table	Class Day #1	In progress

<p>Unit 1: Basic Chemistry</p> <p>Biological macromolecules</p> <p>Properties, structure, and function</p>	<p><b>Biological macromolecules</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Ionic and covalent bonds</li> <li>● Introduction to macromolecules</li> </ul> <p><b>Properties, structure, and function</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Molecular structure of DNA/RNA</li> <li>● Carbohydrates</li> <li>● Saturated, unsaturated, and trans fats</li> <li>● Protein structure</li> </ul> <p>Review: biological macromolecules</p>	<p>Class Day #2</p>	
<p>Unit 1: Basic Chemistry</p> <p>Nucleic acids</p>	<p><b>Nucleic acids</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● DNA</li> <li>● Antiparallel structure of DNA strands</li> <li>● Nucleic acids</li> </ul>	<p>Class Day #3</p>	
<p>Unit 1: Basic Chemistry</p>	<p>REVIEW DAY</p>	<p>Class Day #4</p>	
<p>Unit 1: Basic Chemistry</p>	<p><b><u>UNIT 1 EXAM</u></b></p>	<p>Class Day #5</p>	
<p>Unit 2: Function</p> <p>Cell structure and function</p> <p>Cell size</p>	<p><b>Cell structure and function</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Introduction to cells and eukaryotic cells</li> <li>● Endoplasmic reticulum and Golgi bodies</li> <li>● Endomembrane system</li> <li>● Mitochondria and chloroplasts</li> </ul> <p><b>Cell size</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Scale of cells</li> <li>● Introduction to cilia, flagella, and pseudopodia</li> <li>● Surface area to volume ratio of cells</li> </ul>	<p>Class Day #6</p>	
<p>Unit 2: Function</p> <p>Plasma membranes</p> <p>Membrane permeability</p>	<p><b>Plasma membranes</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Fluid mosaic model of cell membranes</li> <li>● Cell membrane proteins</li> <li>● Review: cell membrane</li> </ul> <p><b>Membrane permeability</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Plant cell walls</li> <li>● Matrix and cell wall</li> <li>● Cell membrane introduction</li> <li>● Fluid mosaic model</li> </ul>	<p>Class Day #7</p>	

Unit 2: Function  Transport and diffusion	<b>Membrane transport</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Passive and active transport</li> <li>● Selective permeability</li> <li>● Review: passive transport</li> <li>● Review: active transport</li> <li>● Endocytosis, phagocytosis, pinocytosis</li> <li>● Exocytosis</li> </ul> <b>Facilitated diffusion</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Electrochemical gradients and secondary active transport</li> <li>● Uniporters, symporters, and</li> </ul>	Class Day #8	
	antiporters <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Facilitated diffusion</li> <li>● Sodium potassium pump</li> </ul>		
Unit 2: Function  <b>BONUS:</b> tonicity and osmoregulation	<b>Mechanisms of transport: tonicity and osmoregulation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Diffusion and osmosis</li> <li>● Osmosis</li> <li>● Hypotonic, isotonic, and hypertonic solutions (tonicity)</li> <li>● Osmosis and tonicity</li> </ul>	Class Day #9	
Unit 2: Function  Cell compartmentalization and its origins	<b>Cell compartmentalization and its origins</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Prokaryotic and eukaryotic cells</li> <li>● Endomembrane system</li> <li>● Endosymbiosis theory</li> </ul> Review: prokaryotes and eukaryotes	Class Day #10	
Unit 2: Function	REVIEW DAY	Class Day #11	
Unit 2: Function	<u><b>UNIT 2 EXAM</b></u>	Class Day #12	

Unit 3: Cellular Energetics  Enzyme structure and catalysis  Cellular energy	<b>Enzyme structure and catalysis</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Enzymes</li> <li>● Activation energy</li> <li>● Active site</li> <li>● Competitive and noncompetitive inhibition</li> <li>● Enzyme regulation</li> </ul> <b>Cellular energy</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● First and second law of thermodynamics</li> <li>● ATP and reaction coupling</li> <li>● Anabolism and catabolism</li> </ul>	Class Day #13	
Unit 3: Cellular Energetics  Signal transduction  Cell cycle	<b>Signal transduction</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Membrane receptors</li> <li>● Ligands</li> <li>● G protein coupled receptors</li> <li>● Signal relay</li> </ul> <b>Cell cycle</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Interphase</li> <li>● Mitosis</li> <li>● Phases of mitosis</li> </ul>	Class Day #14	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Phases of cell cycle</li> </ul>		
Unit 3: Cellular Energetics  Photosynthesis  Cellular respiration	<b>Photosynthesis</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Light-dependent reactions</li> <li>● Calvin cycle</li> </ul> Review: photosynthesis  <b>Cellular respiration</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Cellular respiration and redox</li> <li>● Steps of cellular respiration</li> <li>● Oxidative phosphorylation and electron transport chain</li> <li>● Fermentation and anaerobic respiration</li> </ul>	Class Day #15	
Unit 3: Cellular Energetics	REVIEW DAY	Class Day #16	
Unit 3: Cellular Energetics	<u><b>UNIT 3 EXAM</b></u>	Class Day #17	

Unit 4: Environment Meiosis and heredity	<b>Meiosis and heredity</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Gametes, zygotes, haploid, diploid</li> <li>● Phases of meiosis I</li> <li>● Phases of meiosis II</li> <li>● Mitosis vs. meiosis</li> </ul>	Class Day #18	
Unit 4: Environment Mendelian genetics Non-mendelian genetics	<b>Mendelian genetics</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Heredity introduction</li> <li>● Alleles and genes</li> <li>● Punnett squares</li> <li>● Law of segregation</li> <li>● Law of independent assortment</li> <li>● Probabilities in genetics</li> </ul> <b>Non-mendelian genetics</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Mendel's laws</li> <li>● Chromosomal basis of inheritance (X-linked)</li> <li>● Genetic linkage and mapping</li> <li>● Pedigree</li> <li>● Extranuclear inheritance I</li> </ul>	Class Day #19	
Unit 4: Environment Environmental effects on phenotype	<b>Environmental effects on phenotype</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Phenotypic plasticity</li> <li>● Gene environment interaction</li> <li>● Polygenic inheritance and environmental effects</li> </ul>	Class Day #20	
Unit 4: Environment Chromosomal inheritance	<b>Chromosomal inheritance</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Boveri-Sutton theory</li> <li>● Aneuploidy</li> <li>● Chromosomal basis of inheritance</li> <li>● Variation in a species</li> </ul>	Class Day #21	
Unit 4: Environment DNA and RNA structure Replication	<b>DNA and RNA structure</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Molecular structure of DNA and RNA</li> <li>● Prokaryote structure</li> <li>● Nucleic acids and nucleotides</li> </ul> <b>Replication</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Antiparallel structure of DNA strands</li> <li>● Semi conservative replication</li> </ul> Review: DNA structure and replication		
Unit 4: Environment RNA Processing	<b>RNA processing</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Transcription</li> <li>● mRNA processing</li> <li>● Eukaryotic gene transcription: DNA =&gt; mRNA</li> <li>● Eukaryotic pre-mRNA processing</li> </ul>		

Unit 4: Environment Translation Gene Expression	<b>Translation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Overview</li> <li>● Retroviruses</li> <li>● Translation differences between prokaryotes and eukaryotes</li> <li>● DNA replication, RNA transcription, translation</li> </ul> <b>Gene expression</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● DNA and chromatin regulation</li> <li>● Non-coding RNA</li> <li>● Cellular specialization</li> <li>● Operons: lac operon, trp operon</li> <li>● Gene regulation in bacteria</li> </ul>		
Unit 4: Environment Mutations	<b>Mutations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Introduction to mutations</li> <li>● Mutagens and carcinogens</li> <li>● Genetic variation in prokaryotes</li> <li>● Evolution of viruses</li> </ul>		
Unit 4: Environment <b>BONUS:</b> biotechnology	<b>Biotechnology</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● DNA cloning</li> <li>● Polymerase chain reaction</li> <li>● Gel electrophoresis</li> <li>● DNA sequencing</li> </ul>		
Unit 4: Environment	REVIEW DAY		
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Unit 4: Environment	<u>FINAL EXAM PT. 1</u>		
Unit 4: Environment	<u>FINAL EXAM PT. 2</u>		
Unit 4: Environment	End of class games		

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