



AP[®] Physics 2

Course and Exam Description Clarifications and Corrections

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To be implemented for Fall 2026

General Clarifications

Available Resources listed in the topic pages were updated to indicate whether they can now be found in AP Classroom or in the Online Teacher Community.

Unit Guides

The following Essential Knowledge statement (EK) was updated:

UNIT 15

- **EK 15.7.B.1 (Clarification)**
Updated to read, "Radioactive decay is the spontaneous transformation of a nucleus into one or more different nuclei, **or to a lower energy level of the same nucleus.**"

Exam Information Clarifications and Corrections

This section provides updates to the Exam Information section. Most updates include formatting changes or minor language clarifications. Other corrections and clarifications are outlined below.

EXAM OVERVIEW

- **Multiple-choice questions**
The number of questions was changed from 40 to 42, and the timing was changed from 80 minutes to 85 minutes.

- **Free-response questions**
The timing was changed from 100 minutes to 95 minutes.

APPENDIX I

- **Table of Information: Equations**
Some of the AP Exam conventions were updated in the Reference Information.