Welcome to AP U.S History

It’s an exciting time in the history of Advanced Placement® (AP). First, the availability of AP course opportunities has resulted in nearly double the number of students with access to AP classes. Also, the redesigned AP U.S. History curriculum released in October 2012 is now implemented. Finally, the new AP U.S. History Exam will be administered May 2015.

These milestones in the AP story have created some exciting results. College Board research shows students scoring a 3 or higher on an AP Exam enhance their ability to succeed in college. These motivated students:

• Are more likely to graduate college within 5 years.
• Perform as well or better in subsequent college courses in the discipline than non-AP students who took the introductory class in college.
• Earn higher GPAs while in college.

As your trusted partner, we provide teachers and students Advanced Placement U.S. History solutions that help you successfully navigate your AP course with robust course resources to teach U.S. History your way.

The AP advantage is your easy-to-use Advanced Placement solution to successfully implement the new AP U.S. History curriculum standards, provide personalized support to develop historical thinking skills, and drive motivated students to success on the new AP U.S. History Exam.

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When you get *The AP advantage*, you receive three digital AP solutions on one platform with single sign-on, grounded in a core historical curriculum you can trust.

Enjoy point-and-click access to diverse supplemental resources that empower you to teach AP U.S. History your way, while helping students develop historical thinking skills necessary for future AP Exam and college success.

The AP Advantage is the only complete 3-step solution for AP success. Follow these 3 steps to earn a 5.

**AP advantage**

**STEP 1**

*Start with ONboard™*

*ONBoard* teaches historical thinking skills and background knowledge to help prepare students for the rigors of their AP course.

**STEP 2**

*Ongoing teaching and learning Support with ConnectPlus®*

*ConnectPlus* is your AP U.S. History course management solution providing teachers with program support, tools, and resources all in one convenient online location.

**STEP 3**

*SCOREboard™ for AP Exam success.*

Using *SCOREboard*, students have AP Exam preparation that truly adapts to their learning needs with an adaptive content review and four complete AP Practice Exams.
Start with **ONBoard**

Reinforce students’ background knowledge to maximize AP United States History before day one using the newly updated *McGraw-Hill Education ONboard*.

**ONBoard** for AP U.S. History is an AP digital solution offering students a series of self-paced, interactive modules helping students refine and master the historical thinking skills needed for success in AP American History coursework and the AP U.S. History Exam.

**ONBoard** prepares students and informs teachers with:

- A Pre-Test and **Comprehensive Final Assessment** including robust reporting features to show growth and identify skill gaps.
- **Check Points** and **Quizzes** with immediate feedback to gauge student comprehension.
- **Animations** and **Interactivities** to address engage students with diverse learning styles.

As the perfect summer or pre-course assignment, **ONBoard** covers the newly identified historical thinking skills including:

- Periodization and contextualization
- Crafting historical arguments from historical evidence
- Interpreting primary and secondary sources
- Historical causation
- Patterns of continuity and change over time
**ConnectPlus**

for Course Management

Manage your AP U.S. History class your way using flexible digital, print, or digital-print hybrid course management tools.

As your AP U.S. History curriculum support and course management solution, ConnectPlus provides teachers with ebook access to *American History: Connecting with the Past*, the AP Teacher Manual, redesigned AP-style Test Banks, and many more useful resources.

Your trusted foundational history curriculum *American History* aligns with the AP U.S. History curriculum standards. This single-authored text offers students a consistent historical narrative and in-depth coverage of influential people, compelling events, significant movements, important battles, and critical epochs.

Students use ConnectPlus to access the adaptive and dynamic learning platform LearnSmart. Based upon their responses to questions, LearnSmart develops a learning path personalized for each student.

*SmartBook* is the first and only adaptive reading experience designed to change the way students read and learn, creating a personalized reading experience.

By leveraging LearnSmart adaptive technology, Smartbook transforms the way students interact with course material.
American History strikes an even balance between social and political history while simultaneously offering students guidance and support to master key concepts, themes, and historical thinking skills needed to excel on the new AP U.S. history exam.
The Origins of Slavery

The white settlers arrived in English North America, later called the United States, and in British colonies in the Caribbean and South America. These white settlers, who came from various European countries, brought with them a system of racial hierarchy that would eventually lead to the institution of slavery.

The first African slaves arrived in the Virginia Colony in 1619. The enslaved were typically sold to white landowners as laborers. The labor-intensive sugar economies on the Caribbean islands and Brazil led to a growing demand for slaves. Less than 5 percent of the Africans who were enslaved in the New World ended up in what became the United States, which is why the domestic slave trade in the United States was a relatively late development.

In contrast to the conditions of white indentured servants, black enslaved laborers did not have the opportunity to purchase their freedom or to feel uneasy about their dependence on a large group of white landowners. In the rugged conditions of the New World, especially the Caribbean islands and Brazil, blacks and whites often worked together on relatively equal terms in the early years of settlement. The treatment of blacks, "engendered a cultural and psycho-social racism that after a certain time had become established between black and white," as Jordan argued.

Economic and geographic conditions, as well as perceptions of racial superiority, led to the institutionalization of slavery in the British North American colonies. The roles of women varied significantly throughout different colonial regions. Distinct regional identities developed throughout the British North American colonies as a result of differing economic and geographic conditions. The religious dissenters who formed the bulk of the population of early New England were men and women of modest means who arranged their own passage, brought some belongings, and often worked as laborers or craftsmen upon arrival. Because men greatly outnumbered women in the region in the seventeenth century, the children of slaves provided white landowners with a labor force for their farms, and some were freed after a fixed term of servitude.
A GUIDED TOUR OF AMERICAN HISTORY AP EDITION

Students and teachers connect events in the Atlantic World and beyond to fully interpret the new AP US History Theme of America in the World through this series of 16 parallel features.

Higher-order thinking questions encourage students to use Historical Thinking Skills to interpret historical information.

Questions assume cumulative content knowledge from this chapter and previous chapters.

1. Although the Tea Party movement has no centralized leadership, one organization that Many claim to be the founders of this movement—

The poem reflects the influence of which philosophical ideas? 

CHORUS: rary taxation is as illegitimate as the Bostonians felt it was in 1773. 

the colonists' resentments and complaints against the distant London government, and 

reduce Business Income Taxes Is Mandatory.

Reduce Personal Income Taxes A Must.

National Budget Must Be Balanced.

Government Must Be Downsized.

(C) What is the Tea Party? 

Tea Party and Its Description and Core Beliefs. 

drafting the Declaration of Independence. The Tea movement is, in particular, a description of leadership provided by the organization against those 

Alan Brinkley's document pairings in the 14 Consider the Source features are perfectly placed to allow students to make connections to events throughout American history.

Using the documents as stimuli, NEW AP-style multiple choice questions match the rigor and complexity required for the new AP US History Exam.
A GUIDED TOUR OF AMERICAN HISTORY AP EDITION

People, places, and events in the AP Suggested Study section can be used as evidence to support student answers to the new Short Answer and Long Essay questions.

Each chapter closes with Connecting Themes which summarizes the major AP themes discussed. Targeted thematic instruction ensures close connection with the AP Themes’ overarching questions.

AP Test Practice for each chapter gives students the opportunity to answer the New AP Exam-style multiple choice, short-answer, and long-essay questions. The complexity matches the rigor of the revised AP US History Exam.
ConnectPlus American History includes a robust collection of advanced teaching resources to customize your AP history course your way.

Teach students how to “think like historians” using your AP Teacher Manual, accessible through the ConnectPlus Library. With point-and-click access, you have these powerful resources at your fingertips:

- Discussion, short answer, and long essay questions
- Essential people, places, and events
- Guidance for integrating AP themes and concepts
- Historical thinking skill building activities
- Pacing Guide

Count on ConnectPlus reporting to:

- Monitor progress of your entire class
- Review individual student data over time.
- Identify additional content support needs of any student, in real-time.
Customize with AP Suggested Assignments

The newly revised AP Test Bank is an invaluable tool to customize your AP course ensuring you challenge your motivated students every day.

Acquaint students with the style and rigor of AP U.S. History Exam questions with multiple choice, short answer, long essay, and document-based question banks, organized by historical time period for ease of use.
**SCOREboard**

**Equals AP Exam Success**

**SCOREboard** uses a series of adaptive study sessions that review student content knowledge and identifies gaps in student learning. As learning research shows, students overcome these gaps best when immediate instructional support is given. Therefore, **SCOREboard** provides learning resources as instructional support reteaching and clarifying these difficult concepts at point of need. The adaptive engine makes note of the topics and concepts that challenge students and gives further practice to ensure mastery. After their content review, students work through 4 complete AP Practice Exams which are auto graded to provide immediate results and feedback.

**SCOREboard** has many unique features to prepare students in the weeks and months leading up to the AP Exam.

- Students can track their progress and set short-term goals as they go.
- **SCOREboard** provides both students and teachers with multiple reports including student progress, performance summary, at-risk students, and more.
- **SCOREboard** empowers users to work at their own pace and adjust their study schedules at any time.
- Complete AP Practice Exams match the timing and scoring of the actual AP Exams.