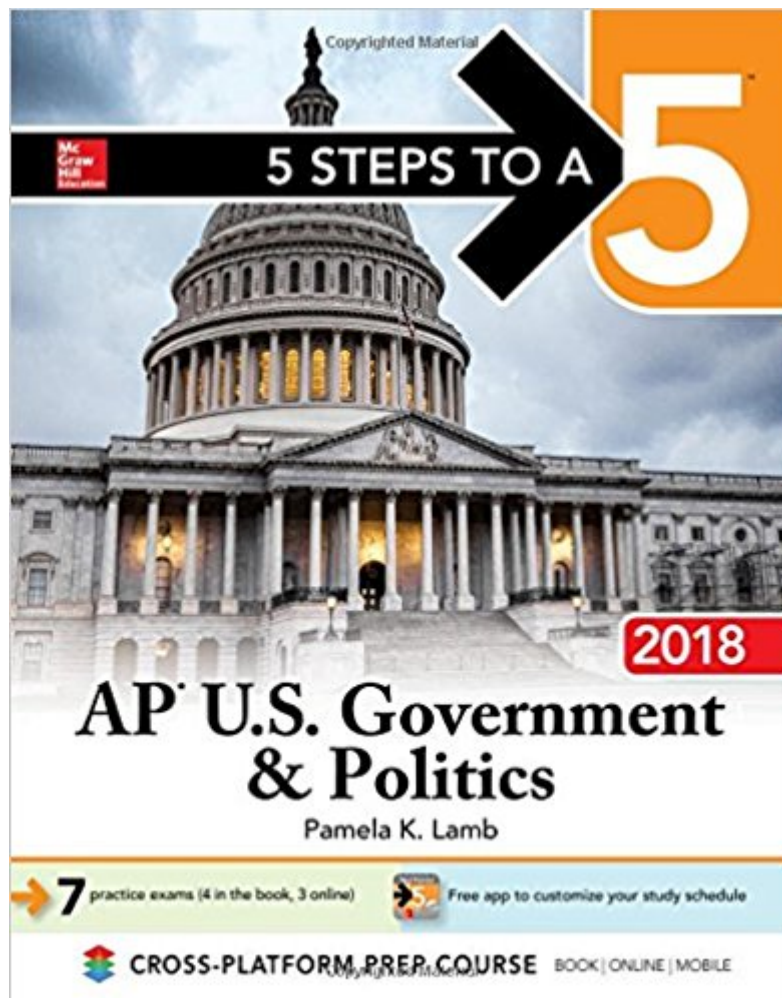


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# 5 Steps To A 5: AP U.S. Government & Politics 2018 Edition (5 Steps To A 5 Ap U.S. Government And Politics)



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## Customer Reviews

Pamela K. Lamb teaches AP U.S. government and politics at Del Rio High School and is a reader of AP tests in history, government, and economics.

If you like flashcards, this product is certainly better than making your own cards. If you are prone to

anxiety, you can see how many cards you've reviewed and how many you have still to review, so I think it helps your mindset. However: we felt that the writers must have been told that they have to come up with 600 cards -- because some of the questions seemed ridiculously simple for an AP review project. So you probably have "only" 550 cards to review.

I ordered these flashcards for my senior daughter who needed to take the AP U.S. Government exam a year after she actually took the class as a junior. (Long story short, it was her first AP test ever, and she was a junior in a class full of seniors, so the teacher didn't think to mention the early start time. She also didn't prepare them very well.) So I ordered these cards and the book (5 Steps to a 5) to help her prepare. She loved them and hated them at the same time..."Do you know how many cards are in that box?", and "I fall asleep with that freakin' book every night!" But she used both resources thoroughly for about 3-4 months in advance of the test. She also went to another gov't. teacher's reviews that were great. We won't know the results till July, but she has to get a 4 for the college credit. As hard as she worked with these tools, I believe she will.

Flimsy and non-laminated cards- I would have had to reorder each year. Content was appropriate but I did not like the way cards were sorted in alphabetically order. I would have preferred by unit or subject matter.

Thorough review for the AP exam. Material clearly covered. Printed on very thin paper which was fine because of the little use they got, but wouldn't save to share with friends ~ which is fine as the exam material changes over time and it's nice to get the latest edition. Recommended.

This 225-page book was formatted with large over-sized fonts. If standard fonts were used and white spaces were reduced, the volume would be half the size. On the other hand, the publisher would be "hard pressed" to justify a price of \$16.95 for a 113-page book. The author used an outline approach in reviewing for the AP Government Test. This style had important advantages over the essay-like CLIFF NOTES approach. Listing important ideas and details with "margin bullets" eliminated the additional words and paragraphs required to construct a narrative and to tie ideas together. Also by bold printing terms and vocabulary, the reader's eyes were focused on the important ideas. The outline style's biggest advantage was that the approach blended in with the way that people studied. It was easier to memorize an outline listing of specific ideas, details, and facts than rereading a narrative several times. In the book, each topic section totaled five to ten pages. At the end of the

section were five to ten multiple-choice review questions. Each was constructed in the same style and approach as the real AP test. Following the sectional test were one-sentence explanations on the answers. The volume ended with website listing of six internet links for additional resources and a glossary of terms. Unfortunately, the book had two flaws. On the sample Free-Response Essays, it only provided the rubrics for scoring. The author should have provided sample essay responses. Secondly, two identical copies of a sample diagnostic exam were provided. It would have been more helpful to have two different tests instead.

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Worked Great for what my daughter needed.

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