

AP Psychology Notes Rubric

Note: you do NOT need to take notes from the extra sections in the text (“consider this” and “last word” sections). If you have any questions about what I consider the “main text” for each chapter, simply ask me, and I’ll be happy to show you what I mean.

Originality	Poor (30)	Good (35)	Excellent (40)
Do your notes reflect your own wording of key points? Are they free of plagiarism and use quotes sparingly?	Notes are copied from other source (textbook, friend). More than 10 direct quotes (per unit)	Notes use more than 5 quotes from the text (per unit, not chapter), but include some original definitions/statements	Notes reflect original thought and rephrasing of key concepts. Quotes are kept to a minimum (think 1 quote per chapter).
On-time	Poor (0)	Good (10)	Excellent (20)
Did you turn in your notes on the assigned due date? Typically, this will be on the day of the unit test.	Turned in more than 1 day late. Note: this means that I only take off 20% max for lateness.	Turned in 1 school day late (for example, turned in on the Monday following a Friday due date).	Turned in on time.
Minimum 3 pages per chapter	Poor (10)	Good (15)	Excellent (20)
Are your notes lengthy enough to capture the important information? Good notes should be at least 5 written pages	Written notes are 3 page or less in length per chapter.	Written notes are 5 pages per chapter.	Written notes are at least 8 pages per chapter.
All headings covered	Poor (10)	Good (15)	Excellent (20)
Did you use the headings provided in the text to guide your notes? Did you cover all the topics of note in each chapter? Remember, this does not include “consider this” or “last word” sections.	More than 3 headings skipped per chapter (or more than 8 headings skipped total).	More than 2 headings skipped per chapter (or more than 5 headings skipped total)	0-1 headings skipped per chapter. All key information covered. Ask me if you think some headings/topics can go together because I may agree with you and let you skip some.