

# AP<sup>®</sup> Psychology 2012 Free-Response Questions

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## PSYCHOLOGY SECTION II

Time—50 minutes

Percent of total score— $33\frac{1}{3}$ 

**Directions:** You have 50 minutes to answer BOTH of the following questions. It is not enough to answer a question by merely listing facts. You should present a cogent argument based on your critical analysis of the questions posed, using appropriate psychological terminology.

- 1. A. Annabelle is planning to apply to college but has not yet decided where she will apply. Describe how the following psychological concepts and terms relate to her choice.
  - Availability heuristic
  - Compliance
  - Prefrontal cortex
  - Prospective memory
  - B. Explain how the following psychological concepts could relate to how well Annabelle adapts when she begins her college career.
    - Agoraphobia
    - Crystallized intelligence
    - Ethnocentrism

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- 2. For each of the following pairs of terms, explain how the placement or location of the first influences the process indicated by the second.
  - Rods, peripheral vision
  - A list of unrelated words, word recall
  - Serotonin, reduction of depression
  - Retinal disparity, depth perception
  - Motor cortex, body movement
  - Presence of others, performance
  - Proximity, perception

**STOP** 

**END OF EXAM**