

Future AP Biology student,

Keep up with the reading, most of it will not be discussed in class but it is needed for the test. Take a lot of practice FRQs, they are very hard on the AP exam so you need to be prepared. Instead of getting overwhelmed with all the reading and information, print the lecture outlines and read and highlight those instead. These are a compression of all the information in the chapters, but are still accurate. Doing this saves a lot of time and mental energy. If you are having a hard time grasping a concept, watch videos specifically of the Amoeba Sisters. Study well for the tests, they are not just definitions, they are mainly connecting concepts. If you study and work hard, this class is not bad. Don't listen to the people that want to place their opinion of the class onto your own experience. The class is what you make of it and your own work ethic. Some of the material may not be covered in class so at least try to have a general idea of what those topics are before the AP exam. Don't beat yourself up if you don't do well on the first couple tests, it is a little bit different of a test format than you may be used to if you haven't taken an AP class. You've got this! Just stay positive and don't let people get you down.