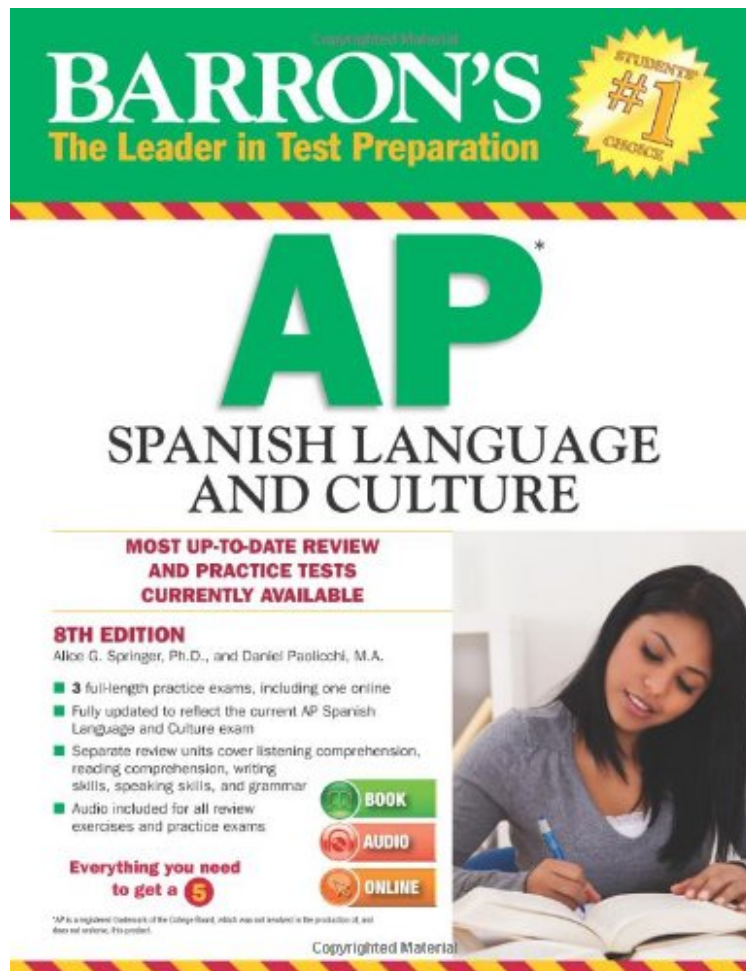


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Alice G. Springer Ph.D., Daniel Paolicchi M.A. : Barron's AP Spanish Language and Culture with MP3 CD, 8th Edition before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Barron's AP Spanish Language and Culture with MP3 CD, 8th Edition:

13 of 13 people found the following review helpful. CD does not include all audio, but book content is excellent. By Kimberly Tuggle I am a Spanish teacher. I have rated this book as 5 stars because (for my purposes) the format and content were challenging and high quality. The practice exercises practice tests will help you to improve if you work consistently day by day. With that said, there is one MAJOR issue. I discovered that the disc included actually DOES NOT include ANY of the audio needed to do the practice print listening combo, listening, speaking exercises, although it DOES include the audio needed for the practice tests. This makes the book absolutely pointless to purchase. I called for an exchange after detailing the problem with the disc (it's like the tracks weren't all burnt to the disc or something

which makes the practice sections (90%) of the book useless), and I was assured the disc would be thoroughly checked prior to being sent out to me. Of course, the disc was still perfectly packaged in the back of the book (NOT checked as promised, so 0 stars for that customer service rep) and of course I had the same issue with this new disc... It only included the audio needed for the practice tests, not any of the practice section. However, I made a call to Barron's (the company who actually makes the product), and was sent a replacement disc-- excellent customer service! This third disc actually has all the audio needed for the entire book (practice sections exams), and it has been wonderful. No complaints (once I got the materials that are advertised here). I was absolutely frustrated upon learning that the disc does not include everything that is needed to work through the book, and I doubt it's just a fluke because sent me 2 copies of this product and they both had the same issue with the disc. While I understand that does not actually make this product, should ensure that what it advertises is what's actually being sold. If you're going to order this book, I would suggest calling straight to the company (Barron's) and saving yourself a lot of time and frustration. 6 of 6 people found the following review helpful. Terrible no more
By Lisa T
Where are the audio files related to the practice activities? Why does the CD only have 16 tracks, when there should be over 50? The few tracks that appear, are not labeled.
Update: Barron's has phenomenal customer service. The publisher contacted me upon seeing this post and rectified the situation by sending me not only the audio files, but a new book as well. It is hard to give the correct amount of stars at the moment, since I have not yet gone through the materials. But we are off to a much better start!
2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Five Stars
By Maria Salgado
Excellent source to study for test and expose students to different topics

Updated to reflect the brand new AP Spanish Language and Culture exam that will be administered for the first time in May 2014, this manual includes:
Two full-length practice exams
An enclosed MP3 CD that supplements the book's exercises and includes audio sections for both practice exams
Separate practice and review units that provide strategies for improvement and cover reading comprehension, listening comprehension, writing, speaking, vocabulary and grammar
The manual can be purchased alone or with an optional CD-ROM that presents two additional full-length practice tests.

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