

Twelve-and-a-Half Days

An Adventure in Meta-Planning

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(1 w.d. = 8 hours)

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Let's count learning days for AP Calculus by taking away the non-learning days.

Semester Exams: 2 days

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PSAT: 1 day

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GHS GT: 2 days

GHS G Writing Test: 1 day

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Georgia Tech Field Trip: 1 day

Science Fair: 1 day

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Rock Eagle: 1 day

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AP Exams: 2 days (average)

After the AP Exams: 5 days

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Tests: 6 days

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Sick Days: 4 days

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