

American school system

1. Watch the video about the American school system.



2. Draw arrows between the description and the type of educational institution.

helps children: get new knowledge and skills – for example, they start learning more about numbers, letters and words. improve their communication and social skills through playing and interacting with other children and adults. They make new friends and develop new relationships.

is defined as a period of formal education following **pre-school** but before **middle school**. It usually encompasses grades 1-5 and **students** learn basic skills in areas such as reading, writing and maths.

a **school** intermediate between **elementary school** and **high school**, usually encompassing grades five or six through eight.

where teenagers are educated before starting college or getting jobs. Most **high schools** have four numbered grades, from ninth to twelfth. This school comes **middle school**.



3. Draw lines to match the information in the boxes.

US school system		
Ages 6–11	High School	Grades 1–5
Ages 11–14	Elementary School	Grades 9–12
Ages 14–18	Middle School	Grades 6–8

US school grades	
A	below average
B	failure
C	excellent
D	good
F	average

4. Listen to the dialogue and tick the correct answers.

- 1. School starts at 7:30 in the morning.
- 2. The school bus picks them up at 7:25.
- 3. The bus leaves school at 3:15.
- 4. The day is divided into periods.
- 5. The 11th and 12th graders can do their homework first,
They do it at the beginning of the lunch period.
- 6. Jake likes the hot lunch, but he thinks it is not cool to say it is tasty.
- 7. At the cafeteria, they only have hamburgers and no other options.
- 8. Summer vacation starts on the first Monday of May.
- 9. School after summer vacation starts after Labor Day, the first Monday in September.
- 10. There is no school in June, July and August.