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# To be a teacher in the USA , part 1 by Lindsay

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**Over the past few months, I have been asked by my French colleagues if I could explain certain aspects of being a teacher in the US. For some facets of the American Education system, the answers are simple ; for the grand majority, answers are not so straight forward.**

But, I will try to give a broad overview of our school system

and to answer a few simple questions. This article comes with the disclaimer that, although I am a certified teacher of children ages 4-12 (grades prek-6), I only have experience with a handful of states and counties on the east coast of the United States.

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4+, Chrome 2+*/ background-image: -webkit-linear-gradient(top, #ddd, #888); /* Safari 5.1+, Chrome 10+*/
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