Made in America

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Before you leave, you will know:

- more about American culture
- the structure of education in America
- more about how American students learn
- how American schools work
- the value you have to your school
- teaching strategies for your classroom
Cultural Differences
Is this the American family?
Could this be the American family?
Where do you get your idea’s about America?
Could this be an American family?
Will I have culture shock?

“Yes … anyone who moves to a place where people’s language, behavior, ideas, and ways of thinking are different will experience some degree of “culture shock.””
Bamboo in a way I had never seen...
What was the biggest shock to you when you came to America the first time?
Which is more comfortable for you?

What is it?

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USA Educational Framework

- Federal
- State
- Local

School
Responsibilities

Federal
- Programs: Title 1, Magnet, Federal Lunch
- Regulations/Policies: Special Education, Title IX
- National Accountability: Standards and Testing

State
- State Testing and Accountability
- Courses
- State Standards
- Evaluation System
- Teacher Licensing
- Charter School Development
- Textbooks

Local
- School Focus, Configuration of grade levels
- Curriculum
- Textbooks from state list
- Calendar
- Budget and Allocations of Money
Local Schools

District Public School

Charter Public School

Private/Parochial School

Home School

Choices
Public School District Governance

- Superintendent
- Elected or Appointed School Board
- District Cabinet
- Principal
- Teachers
School Culture
School Community

- School
- Students
- Community
- Parents
Learning Styles
What is important in your school?

Do you know?
Who holds the keys for your success as a teacher?
Write yourself a letter...
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