**The USA outline**

**1 Introduce yourself (1 min)**

**2 Speak about the topic (5-6 mins):**

What are some basic facts about the country? How many states make the USA, what are they? What are the capital/big cities? What is the climate/weather like? What are some important places/cities to visit in the USA? Who are some important people? (politicians, writers, sportsmen) What interesting facts do you know? Where would you go if you went on vacation to the USA? What food/sport is popular in the USA?

**3 Describe, compare, contrast the pictures (4 mins.)**

Describe:

Who is in the picture? Where is it? What are the people doing, wearing? What is the atmosphere in the picture?

Use present progressive – They ARE talkING … He IS walkING …

Compare:

What is the same? In both pictures …

What is different? The place in the first picture is MORE popular THAN in the second picure.

People in the first picture are youngER than in the second picture.

The atmosphere is MORE relaxed than in the second picture.

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**4 Pedagogical part (3-4 mins)**

Alternative schools

How do you understand?

"Help me to do it myself." Explain and give an example.

"Children do practical activities." Give examples.

"Reading, writing and mathematics are not taught separately." Give an example.

"Educational alternatives include a small class size, close relationships and a sense

of community." Explain.