



# American school levels vs Dutch school levels

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| American Age Level  | Dutch Level       | American Grade | Dutch Grade | Dutch School                    | Dutch School                    | Dutch School                     | Dutch School                 | Dutch School                           | Dutch School                        | Dutch School                          |
|---------------------|-------------------|----------------|-------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 3-4 Pre-Kinder      | Peuter            | K-3            |             |                                 |                                 |                                  |                              |                                        |                                     |                                       |
| 4-5 Kinder          | Kleuter           | K-4            | Groep 1     |                                 |                                 |                                  |                              |                                        |                                     |                                       |
| 5-6 Kinder          | Kleuter           | K-5            | Groep 2     |                                 |                                 |                                  |                              |                                        |                                     |                                       |
| 6-7 Elementary      | Lagere school     | Grade 1        | Groep 3     | Praktisch Basis gericht Leerweg | Praktisch Kader gericht Leerweg | Teoretisch Kader gericht Leerweg | Middelbaar Beroeps Onderwijs | Middelbaar Technisch gericht Onderwijs | Hoger Algemeen Voortgezet Onderwijs | Voortgezet Wetenschappelijk Onderwijs |
| 7-8 Elementary      | Lagere school     | Grade 2        | Groep 4     |                                 |                                 |                                  |                              |                                        |                                     |                                       |
| 8-9 Elementary      | Lagere school     | Grade 3        | Groep 5     |                                 |                                 |                                  |                              |                                        |                                     |                                       |
| 9-10 Elementary     | Lagere school     | Grade 4        | Groep 6     |                                 |                                 |                                  |                              |                                        |                                     |                                       |
| 10-11 Elementary    | Lagere school     | Grade 5        | Groep 7     |                                 |                                 |                                  |                              |                                        |                                     |                                       |
| 11-12 Elementary    | Lagere school     | Grade 6        | Groep 8     |                                 |                                 |                                  |                              |                                        |                                     |                                       |
| 12-13 Middle school | Middelbare school | Grade 7        | VSBO1       | PBL 1                           | PKL 1                           | TKL 1                            |                              |                                        | HAVO 1                              | VWO 1                                 |
| 13-14 Middle school | Middelbare school | Grade 8        | VSBO2       | PBL 2                           | PKL 2                           | TKL 2                            |                              |                                        | HAVO 2                              | VWO 2                                 |
| 14-15 High school   | Middelbare school | Grade 9        | VSBO3       | PBL 3                           | PKL 3                           | TKL 3                            |                              |                                        | HAVO 3                              | VWO 3                                 |
| 15-16 High school   | Middelbare school | Grade 10       | VSBO4       | PBL 4                           | PKL 4                           | TKL 4                            |                              |                                        | HAVO 4                              | VWO 4                                 |
| 16-17 High school   | Middelbare school | Grade 11       |             |                                 |                                 |                                  | MBO 1                        | MTO 1                                  | HAVO 5                              | VWO 5                                 |
| 17-18 High school   | Middelbare school | Grade 12       |             |                                 |                                 |                                  | MBO 2                        | MTO 2                                  |                                     | VWO 6                                 |

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