



When a child turns 18, they will have spent just 9% of their waking life in a classroom. Children's University seeks to level the playing field of access to activities in the remaining 91% of time so children from all backgrounds can best develop their character, improve their wellbeing, and build on the future skills they need to understand, and make the most of, the pathways that are open to them.

This statistic split of 9% and 91% is based on certain assumptions:

Waking hours

- 16 hours per day = 5,840 hours per year.
- Age 0 – 18 = **105,120** hours

Primary hours in a classroom

- 635 per year*
- Over 7 years = 4,445 hours

Secondary hours in a classroom

- 714 per year*
- Over 7 years = 4,998 hours

Total classroom hours

- $4,445 + 4,998 = \mathbf{9,443}$ hours

9,443 is **8.98%** of 105,120

8.98% is rounded up to **9%** for simplicity

*<http://helpmeinstitute.com/education/2013/04/mapped-how-many-hours-do-children-spend-at-school-around-the-world/>