



The story of being 9 years old



Organised activities

The most popular organised activities for 9-year-olds involved sport: two-thirds were part of a team.

One-third took part in music or dance activities.



Favourite activity

Football was the most popular activity for boys (and 10% of girls).

Girls were more likely to prefer reading and writing or crafts.



Using the internet

At age 9 years, playing games and watching YouTube videos were the most popular reasons for using the internet (8-out-of-10 children).

Over half used it to search for information.



Helping at home

Many 9-year-olds did chores to help around the home.

They did jobs like hoovering/cleaning, washing the dishes or helping with younger siblings and pets (if they had some).



School subjects

'Reading' was the most popular subject: 6-out-of-10 said they "always liked" it.

Nearly half said they "always liked" Maths but just 22% "always liked" Irish.

WHAT WILL BE YOUR STORY AT AGE 13?