

A photograph of an empty classroom. The room is filled with rows of wooden desks and black chairs, arranged in a traditional classroom layout. At the front of the room, there is a large green chalkboard. The text "THE CLASSROOM" is overlaid in white, serif font across the center of the chalkboard. The room has a drop ceiling with fluorescent lights, and a door is visible on the right side. There are windows on the left side of the room.

# THE CLASSROOM

The classroom has been described as the “*physical representation of the educational philosophies of the community*”, simply put the way a classroom is designed represents how people in that society think about education. Keep this in mind as you look through the next few slides....



# 16<sup>th</sup> Century



A TYPICAL 16<sup>TH</sup> CENTURY  
SCHOOL

Lancastrian  
Classroom, Britain,  
1837



*The Gallery  
Classroom,  
Britain, 1853*



# One Room Schoolhouse, US, 1893

## The common school



**Miss Blanche Lamont with her school at Hecla, Montana, 1893**

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1905-1938  
Britain





# American Classroom, 1960



# 1980's Classroom



# Japanese Classroom, 2006



# Typical American Classroom, 2008



# Canadian Classroom, 2009



For the next few slides, discuss what you think about these classrooms...

















