Myths about Maths

Many of us struggle with using numbers, but we can all improve. We bust some myths about maths so you can start getting on with numbers.



Myth 1

I can't do maths because I never use it in my work or life.

Busted

We all use maths every day: planning journeys, shopping, cooking, doing DIY: all of them are working with numbers!



Myth 4

It's unusual to feel anxious about maths.

Busted

Mathsanxiety is common: many people feel anxious, nervous or stressed when it comes to numbers. But it can be overcome.



Myth 2

Learning maths as an adultis just like going back to school.

Busted

As adults we can choose what and how we learn. You can do it online. confidentially and in your own space.



Myth 5

Some people won't improve, no matter how much they try.

Busted

Ability is not fixed, everyone can get better at maths if they commit to it.

Myth Busting



Myth 3

Some people are naturally maths people, others are not.

Busted

Mathsability is defined by experiences, not our genes. Maths is a skill we can all practise and get better at.

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