

Socratic_Math_People_Questions_Morgan_Reid

Writing Question:

Write about a time when you or someone you know felt either very confident or anxious about math.

Focus on text question:

In the second paragraph, the author writes “Experts suggest that there’s actually no such thing as a ‘math person.’”

When you read this, what was your first reaction?

Core Questions:

1.

What do you think a “math person” is?

2.

“In the debate between ‘nature vs nurture,’ a critical third element—personal perseverance and effort—seems to have been sidelined.”

What do you think is the best evidence in this article that proves effort is more important?

3.

What else besides “personal perseverance and effort” do you think affect a person’s success in math?

4.

Sometimes we feel frustrated or pressured. “*I am trying!*”

What do you think is most effective thing for students who think they’re not good at math?

Closing Question

Do you think you should already know how to do things you haven’t yet learned or practiced?