

Henry Adams	Mathematicians practice absolute freedom.
Aravind Adiga	In my family . . . science and mathematics were held in awe.
Madhur Anand	The mind recounting when counting is not enough.
Anonymous	All mathematicians are equal.
Anonymous	Mathematics is something to count on.
Anonymous	Said the dot to the line, “Come to the point.”
Anonymous	If you don’t aim at a target, you won’t hit it.
Anonymous	Mathematics is not a spectator sport.
Anonymous	A pencil may write poetry or mathematics.
Anonymous	Mathematics can be poetry.
Anonymous	Mathematics is for everyone.
Anonymous	Mathematics is not for everyone.
Anonymous	Thinking is very far from knowing.
Anonymous	I met a man with seven wives . . .
Anonymous	What’s the use of mathematics?
Anonymous	Math is hard.
Anonymous	May I jump over the infinitesimal?
Anonymous	I long to understand the infinite.
Anonymous	The square root of two is irrational.
Anonymous	Women count. Men count. People count.
Aristotle	Imagination is a sort of faint perception.
W H Auden	The Kingdom of Number is all boundaries.
W H Auden	Calling infinity a number does not make it one.
John James Audubon	Mathematics was hard, dull work.
Francis Bacon	Truth will sooner come out of error than confusion.
Francis Bacon	If a man's wit be wandering, give him mathematics.
Roger Bacon	All science requires mathematics.
Walter Bagehot	Life is a school of probability.
P J Bailey	Poets are all who ... feel great truths and tell them.
Johnny Ball	Emphasize its elegance ... [and not] how difficult it is.
Stefan Banach	Mathematics is the most beautiful ... creation of the human spirit.
Armiger Barclay	People think a thing’s worth believing if it’s hard to believe.

Charles Baudelaire	Dancing is poetry with arms and legs.
Eric Temple Bell	'Obvious' is the most dangerous word in mathematics.
Eric Temple Bell	Cowboys have ... the hogtie--what Euclid did to geometry.
Hilaire Belloc	Oh, let us never, never doubt what nobody is sure about.
William Blake	What immortal hand or eye dare frame thy fearful symmetry?
William Blake	Hold Infinity in the palm of your hand.
Tatiana Bonch-Osmolovskaya	I enjoy the space of π .
Tatiana Bonch-Osmolovskaya	Call seven young girls together, give them twenty-two ribbons . . .
Samantha Bond	I'm very good at mathematics.
Adam Braun	A pencil can write life-changing equations.
Adam Braun	A pencil can write transcendent poetry.
Adam Braun	A pencil can sketch the future.
Mel Brooks	A lot of music is mathematics. It's balance.
Rodney Brooks	I [am] strangely good at mathematics in my head.
Sir Thomas Browne	I have often admired . . . the secret magic of numbers.
Bishop Butler	Probability is the very guide of life.
Georg Cantor	The essence of mathematics lies in its freedom.
Frank Capra	The three universal languages: film, mathematics and music.
Lewis Carroll	When I use a word ... it means just what I choose it to mean.
Robin Chapman	Nothing goes into something how many times?
Robin Chapman	A look or a word made all the difference.
Robin Chapman	Measuring, matching geometry to algebra.
Chaucer	Many small make a great.
G K Chesterton	The poet tries to get his head into the heavens.
G K Chesterton	The mathematician tries to get the heavens into his head.
Diane Cilento	I was never very good at algebra.

Benjamin Clementine	Studying music involves a lot of mathematics.
Marion Deutsche Cohen	A mathematician should never watch action films.
Christopher Columbus	For the voyage to the Indies, I did not use mathematics . . .
Nicholas Copernicus	Mathematics is written for mathematicians.
Pierre Cornelle	Guess if you can, choose if you dare.
Mary Cornish	I like the generosity of numbers.
Richard Courant	What is mathematics?
Francisco Jose Craveiro de Carvalho	He learned to handle negative numbers early in life.
Richard Dawkins	... socially acceptable ... incompetence in mathematics.
Mos Def	To know how to rhyme, then learn how to add.
Don DeLillo	Writing is a concentrated form of thinking.
A. DeMorgan	Mathematical invention ... not reasoning but imagination.
Shakuntala Devi	Why do children dread mathematics?
Shakuntala Devi	How many of you love mathematics?
Shakuntala Devi	Without mathematics, there's nothing you can do.
Shakuntala Devi	Everything around you is mathematics.
Shakuntala Devi	Everything around you is numbers.
Emily Dickinson	We shall find the Cube of the Rainbow.
Edsger Dijkstra	There should be no such thing as boring mathematics.
Edsger Dijkstra	Consider elegance an essential ingredient of mathematics . . .
Nyle DiMarco	I got my mathematics degree to teach deaf children math.
Paul Dirac	God used beautiful mathematics in creating the world.
Carol Dorf	A circle, a method to circumnavigate space.
Carol Dorf	Imagine calculus as a novel of limits and motion.
Rita Dove	I prove a theorem and the house expands.

Sir Arthur Conan Doyle	The grand thing is to be able to reason backward . . .
Sir Arthur Conan Doyle	The little things are infinitely the most important.
Sir Arthur Conan Doyle	You know my methods. Apply them.
Lord Dunsany	Logic, like whiskey, loses its beneficial effect... in too large quantities.
Bob Dylan	Too much of nothing can make a man abuse a king.
Freeman Dyson	He who wishes . . . human perfection, must first study Logic.
Freeman Dyson	All I do, really, is the math, and other people have the ideas.
Arthur Eddington	The mathematics is not there till we put it there.
Albert Einstein	Pure mathematics is . . . the poetry of logical ideas.
Havelock Ellis	Thinking in its higher forms is a form of poetry.
Desiderius Erasmus	When I get a little money, I buy books.
Mary Callahan Erdoes	I was a mathematics major and really into math.
Leonhard Euler	e to the power (pi times i) equals minus 1
Mary Fabilli	What would I do without numbers?
Jules Feiffer	Artists can color the sky red because they know it's blue . . .
Gustav Flaubert	Poetry is as precise a thing as geometry.
Galileo Galilei	I would follow the advice of Plato and start with mathematics.
John Gay	Lest men suspect your tale untrue, / Keep probability in view.
Margaret Geller	I didn't know what kinds of questions to ask in mathematics.
W S Gilbert	Paradox -- at common sense she gaily mocks.
Sarah Glaz	The integers are not a happy medium.
Sarah Glaz	Out of the swirl of ideas guarded by Chaos.
Sarah Glaz	Is it algebra you want for supper or higher mathematics?
Goethe	A penetrating mathematician . . . the semblance of divinity.

Goethe	Everything has been thought of before.
George Gordon, Lord Byron	With just enough of learning to misquote.
Judy Green	How many women mathematicians can you name?
Emily Grosholz	Euclid's geometry cannot describe ... the shape of mountains.
Emily Grosholz	Clouds are never spheres, nor mountains cones.
JoAnne Growney	Always busy counting, doubting every figured guess . . .
JoAnne Growney	If a woman's dance is mathematics, she dances alone.
JoAnne Growney	Hot peppers are like mathematics . . .
Matt Haig	At the earliest point I could stop doing math, I stopped.
Garrett Hardin	Maximum may not be optimum.
G H Hardy	Exposition, criticism, appreciation . . . work for second-rate minds.
G H Hardy	I am interested in mathematics only as a creative art.
G H Hardy	Pure mathematics is . . . distinctly more useful than applied.
G H Hardy	There is no permanent place . . . for ugly mathematics.
Stephen Hawking	In the past [has been]active discrimination against women in science.
William Hazlitt	Poetry is the universal language which the heart holds.
O. Henry	I think statistics are just as lovely as they can be.
Charles Hermite	We are servants rather than masters in mathematics.
David Hilbert	Mathematics knows no races or geographic boundaries . . .
Jonathan Holden	"Calculus" was a scary college word, and yet we studied it . . .
Jonathan Holden	We can face infinity.
Jonathan Holden	Think of the circle. (Simply for the sake of it.)

Oliver Wendell Holmes, Jr	Life is painting a picture, not doing a sum.
Miroslav Holub	Two parallels always meet when we draw them by our own hand.
Miroslav Holub	The big problem is everything has its own logic . . .
Grace Murray Hopper	If it's a good idea, do it.
E W Howe	A reasonable probability is the only certainty.
Aldous Huxley	I admit that mathematical science is a good thing.
Andrew Jackson	One man with courage makes a majority.
Sir James Jeans	All pictures ... of nature ... are mathematical pictures.
Tahar Ben Jelloun	Poetry is . . . mathematics, a rigorous relationship with words.
Samuel Johnson	Round numbers are always false.
Erica Jolly	What has sustainability got to do with mathematics?
Gizem Karaali	Cherish the bittersweet taste of mathematics.
Edward Kasner	The number of grains of sand on Coney Island is less than a googol.
John Maynard Keynes	There is no harm in being wrong— if promptly found out.
Cassius J Keyser	To think the thinkable – that is the mathematician's aim.
Felix Klein	Everyone knows what a curve is, until he's studied mathematics.
Sofia Kovalevskaya	Mathematics . . . requires a great amount of imagination.
Hedy Lamarr	Six is a perfect number of husbands.
Carolyn Lamb	I have it charted out, a curve in square-cut space.
Carolyn Lamb	I show you the equation . . . you say you cannot grasp it.
Charles Lamb	Nothing puzzles me more than time and space.
Jacqueline Lapidus	One of these days we'll intersect again.
Philip Larkin	Thinking in terms of one is easily done . . .
Tom Lehrer	There's something mathematically satisfying about music.

Larry Lesser	Fermat claimed the margins...could not contain his remarkable proof
Gotthold Ephraim Lessing	He who doesn't lose his wits over certain things has no wits.
Gotthold Ephraim Lessing	One can drink too much, but one never drinks enough.
Walter Lippmann	The rule of 51 percent is a convenience.
Ada Lovelace	The science of operations ... has its own abstract truth and value.
Marco Lucchesi	Two numbers hand in hand: 220 and 284
Danica McKellar	I took a break from acting to get a degree in mathematics.
Danica McKellar	Mathematics itself is truly a beautiful art form.
Danica McKellar	Math concepts, as I see them, are fun.
Danica McKellar	I think math is the cat's meow.
Mahavishnu John McLaughlin	The mathematics of rhythm are universal.
Alice Major	You can make anything equal to anything else.
Alice Major	Honeycomb. Hexagon. We could tile the universe unending.
Alice Major	Zero. The narrowest of no-man's lands between two kingdoms.
Gabriel Marcel	Music at times is more like perfume than mathematics.
Christopher Marlowe	Still climbing after knowledge infinite ...
Solomon Marcus	Mathematics is not only connected to art; it is just art.
Kaz Maslanka	Love's the limit of the reciprocal of Ego as Ego nears zero.
Kaz Maslanka	Categories of aesthetics are uncountable.
Dan May	These are your tools: a compass and a straightedge.
Dan May	We can't square the circle, but maybe we can square with each other.
Peter Meinke	In school I was attracted to irrational numbers.
Peter Meinke	Some distances cannot be crossed.

John Milton	Chance governs all.
Robert Morgan	I came to poetry from the sciences and mathematics.
Marston Morse	From an infinity of designs a mathematician chooses one.
Marston Morse	Mathematics is sister, as well as servant, of the arts.
John Forbes Nash, Jr,	Great mathematicians suffer maniacal characteristics.
Mike Naylor	In Aleph-Null Square, an infinite number of people were there.
Mike Naylor	Counting each and every step along this rocky shore.
Pablo Neruda	Oh, the thirst to know how many!
Pablo Neruda	Time became a number. Light became a number.
James Newman	It is hard to know what you are talking about in mathematics.
James Newman	The infinite is unruly . . . unless it is properly treated.
Sir Isaac Newton	I seem to have been only as a boy playing on the sea-shore
Bertil Ohlin	I was fond of calculating the cost of various cakes my mother baked.
Sharon Olds	She stands there . . . , her math scores unfolding in the air around her.
Camile Paglia	Modern bodybuilding is . . . awash in chemistry and mathematics.
Blaise Pascal	The eternal silence of these infinite spaces terrifies me.
Blaise Pascal	It is not certain that everything is uncertain.
Blaise Pascal	The heart has its reasons which reason knows not.
Linda Pastan	I used to solve equations easily.
Tom Petsinis	I vowed again to set my faith on paradox, not proof.
Jean Piaget	Logic and mathematics are ... specialized linguistic structures.
Brad Pitt	All of my performances come down to mathematics in a sense.

Henri Poincare	Mathematics is the art of giving the same name to different things.
Henri Poincare	How is an error possible in mathematics?
Alexander Pope	See Mystery to Mathematics fly!
Ezra Pound	Poetry is a sort of inspired mathematics.
Ezra Pound	Poetry gives us equations for human emotions.
Eveline Pye	Letting numbers lead me into dark tunnels until pictures appear.
Eveline Pye	Florence talked the simple truth of numbers.
Eveline Pye	Statistics saved a legion of soldiers.
Eveline Pye	A world where bell-shaped curves loom as mountains.
Robert Quine	Reading music . . . makes music like mathematics
Raymond Queneau	When One made love to Zero, the spheres embraced the tori.
Naomi Replansky	How do you behave in a country where Reason rules?
Theodore Roethke	Once upon a tree I came across a time.
Nancy Roman	What lady would take mathematics instead of Latin?
Michael Rosen	There is always a third point between any two.
Vera Rubin	We need senators who studied physics.
Bertrand Russell	The spirit of delight ... is found in mathematics as surely as poetry.
Bertrand Russell	A good notation has subtlety and suggestiveness like a teacher.
Bertrand Russell	I like mathematics because it is not human.
Antoine de Saint-Exupery	Grown-ups love figures . .
Eric Salvaggio	Zero is a number of yearning . ..
Paul Samuelson	Nothing...expressed by mathematics cannot be expressed by ...words.
James Sanborn	Cryptography began in mathematics.
Carl Sandburg	Arithmetic is where numbers fly like pigeons in and out of your head.
Carl Sandburg	He was born to wonder about numbers.

Carl Sandburg	Poetry is an echo, asking a shadow to dance.
John Paul Sartre	Man is not the sum of what he has but ... of what he does not have.
Marcus du Sautoy	Mathematics is where you can do things you can't do in the real world.
Marcus du Sautoy	Mathematics has beauty and romance.
Marcus du Sautoy	It's not a boring place to be, the mathematical world.
Marcus du Sautoy	The power of mathematics is . . . to change geometry into language
Karl Wilhelm Friedrich Schlegel	Mathematics is ... a sensuous logic.
William Shakespeare	He had better bettered expectation . . .
William Shakespeare	Though this be madness, yet there is method in it.
William Shakespeare	Thinking makes it so.
William Shakespeare	How easy is a bush supposed a bear.
George Bernard Shaw	I must go in and out.
Seth Shostak	Many people suggest using mathematics to talk to the aliens.
Francesco Sizzi	There are seven windows in the head.
Patti Smith	There's always ways to transform old ideas.
Sidney Smith	What would life be without arithmetic...?
Stephen Sondheim	I was a mathematician by nature, and still am . . .
Bruce Springsteen	[In] the great Beatles record ... the mathematics is elegant.
Charles Proteus Steinmetz	All mathematical truths are relative, conditional.
Stendhal	Mathematics allows for no hypocrisy and no vagueness.
Wallace Stevens	Rationalists, wearing square hats, think, in square rooms . . .

Tom Stoppard	Mathematics was considered the queen of the sciences.
Stephanie Strickland	Stand waiting, here on earth, where there <i>are</i> no straight lines ...
Stephanie Strickland	<i>Zero</i> -sum? Of two, one wins. Only one.
Jonathan Swift	I heard the little bird say so.
Jonathan Swift	There is nothing in this world constant, but inconstancy
James Joseph Sylvester	The musician feels mathematics, the mathematician thinks music.
James Joseph Sylvester	Mathematics is the music of reason.
Wisława Szymborska	The admirable number pi.
Wisława Szymborska	My imagination is still the same. It's bad with large numbers.
Wisława Szymborska	Of every hundred people, those who always know better: fifty-two.
Olga Taussky Todd	Number theory is like poetry . . . they start a fire in your mind.
Nikola Tesla	Today's scientists have substituted mathematics for experiments.
Peter Thiel	It's essential to learn elementary mathematics
Sir D'Arcy Wentworth Thompson	Newton . . . shewed a similitude between the apple and the stars.
William Thompson – Lord Kelvin	Mathematics . . . is the etherealization of common sense.
William Thompson – Lord Kelvin	When you can measure what you speak about ... you know something
Henry David Thoreau	Men have become the tools of their tools.
Esther Unger	The scale of justice is still a triangle.
Esther Unger	So much is found by saying – Let us assume.

Author Unknown	It doesn't depend on size, or a cow would catch a rabbit.
Author Unknown	<i>Defendit numerus</i> : There is safety in numbers.
Voltaire	There is an astonishing imagination, even in mathematics.
John von Neumann	In mathematics, you don't understand things, you get used to them.
Izaak Walton	Angling [is] so like mathematics that it can never be fully learned.
Andre Weil	God exists since mathematics is consistent.
Andre Weil	The Devil exists since we cannot prove mathematics is consistent.
Margaret Wertheim	In the Pythagorean system, mathematics was a masculine task.
Alfred North Whitehead	Seek simplicity, and distrust it.
Alfred North Whitehead	No one goes out to buy zero fish.
Alfred North Whitehead	Everything of importance has been said before.
Alfred North Whitehead	When a[n] author writes with misty profundity, he's talking nonsense.
Walt Whitman	Do I contradict myself?
Walt Whitman	I am large, I contain multitudes.
Andrew Wiles	Well, some mathematics problems look simple, and you try them.
Ludwig Wittgenstein	There can never be surprises in logic.
Conrad Wolfram	Calculating does not equal mathematics
William Wordsworth	Voyaging through strange seas of thought alone.
Rosalyn Sussman Yalow	By seventh grade, I was committed to mathematics.
Doron Zeilberger	For us, doing math is like living.