

9th and 10th grade student responses: why math is my least favorite subject

1. Math does not interest me and plus I am bad at it
2. I try my hardest to understand what I'm supposed to do by asking for help, but even after I do sometimes, I still can't put my finger on it.
3. I think that its too hard
4. I don't like math because, I'm really bad at it, and I don't know when in my life I will EVER use problems like " $2x(5+3)-4=0$ ".
5. Mathematics does not interest me because I believe that we learn too many things that we will never use in our futures.
6. It's boring
7. Its hard and complicated to understand
8. Well, math just does not come easily to me. It is one of those subjects, where you are either right or wrong and there is no grey area.
9. It is very monotonous and repetitive. The teachers I have expect us to know the math before we do it in class.
10. I am not very good at math, i find that i must spend a lot of time studying and this routine can become tedious.
11. I know I'm never going to use it again.
12. It's not that I am bad at it, I am just not a math person.
13. I am not a good math student. Not my thing
14. I only like Math when I understand it, otherwise I despise it.
15. The teachers I have had have been teaching in a way that I don't understand
16. Math to me is useless and beyond a basic understanding it will me never help me out. When will I ever need to know postulates and theorems unless I'm an architect it is just not useful.
17. I think it's really hard and I have trouble with how everything leads up to new and harder equation or problem
18. Math just doesn't come easy for me.
19. I enjoy the abstract concepts of math but I don't like how cold it is.
20. The teachers I've had don't agree with using your own methods that work, but make you use their methods and count them all wrong if you don't.
21. It is really difficult for me to figure out the different situations each lesson can be applied to a word problem.
22. No real world examples they are all unrealistic problems
23. I don't like math. Even if I try I feel it takes me longer than other subjects to learn and understand

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24. There is too much memorization involved and everything has to be done in a very specific way.
25. I think it's boring because one I don't understand and two because its hard to focus on.
26. The curriculum was very weak.
27. No room for any creativity
28. My teacher gives us tedious homework. As a matter of fact, I love math.
29. It is boring because it doesn't interest me. I have never really liked math and its always been hard for me to grasp the concepts.
30. I dislike math because most of the time I simply just don't get the content
31. It is kind of boring because my teacher explains everything very slow and doesn't make it very interesting.
32. The subject it self I'd to hard at first until algebra 1 I thought that I needed the skills in the future but ever since we got to parabolas in algebra II and trigonometry it just seems so silly
33. Math is my least favorite subject because it's hard for me. Math has always been my lowest grade in high school because I can't get anything.

NOTE: Math is the only subject among all least favorite choices in which the largest response from the four selected response choices is “I am bad at it.”

