

[PDF] Mathematical Mindsets: Unleashing Students' Potential Through Creative Math, Inspiring Messages And Innovative Teaching

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PRAISE FOR MATHEMATICAL MINDSETS

"Mindsets, creativity, beauty, flexibility, equity..." Jo Boaler uses these words to describe a vision of mathematics where every student thrives and becomes a mathematical thinker. By following Boaler's teaching philosophy we can ease and for all to see the beauty of math and determine exactly what it takes to be good at math."

—Cathy Nadel, Past President, National Council of Teachers of Mathematics and author of *Every Kid Is a Learner* and *Smarter Than the 99th*

"Jo Boaler is a particularly good fit for the mission of the National Science Foundation. The many children's lives are being harmed by the lack of understanding of math and science and fighting the ongoing scientific data. Like all of it, a valuable ongoing, compelling case for re-evaluating math education. Ignite her message and you (or your children, or your students) will be helped out of the dark of the 21st Century."

—Dr. Ruth Davis, Stanford University mathematician, NPR "Math Guy" and author of *Mathematics Education for a New Era*

"Jo Boaler calls out the mindsets that can stifle a student's openness for math and ways to change them. More than just a replacement of positive messages, Jo Boaler offers practical, research-based strategies for teaching, assessment practice, and homework—all help students learn and love to learn mathematics."

—The Wright Center math teacher, Chief Academic Officer at District, author, and consultant

Some of students have said that math, so they end up leaving school without an understanding of basic mathematical concepts. How can we help all children know that they have the mathematical potential? How can teachers interest in a way that brings the best of life?

Drawing on her extensive research with thousands of students, author Jo Boaler reveals how teachers, parents, and other caregivers can transform children's ideas and experiences of math through a positive growth mindset method. Filled with classroom examples, *Mathematical Mindsets* is an important guide to the mathematics, techniques, and activities that can be put in place to make math more enjoyable and achievable for all students. *Mathematical Mindsets* shows how the entire approach to math teaching and learning— from going to class to the math operation and covering the tasks students work on to the methods teachers and parents use to encourage or guide students—needs to be changed to help students realize the joys of learning and understanding math.

Dr. JO BOALER is a professor of mathematics education at Stanford University. The author of seven books and numerous research articles, she serves as an advisor to several Silicon Valley companies and is a White House presenter on girls and STEM. Dr. Boaler is also a frequent speaker at national and international conferences. She is a regular contributor to news and radio in the United States and England and recently formed a consulting firm to help teachers and parents the resources and skills they need to inspire and create students' love of mathematics.



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Description:

Banish math anxiety and give students of all ages a clear roadmap to success

Mathematical Mindsets provides practical strategies and activities to help teachers and parents show all children, even those who are convinced that they are bad at math, that they can enjoy and succeed in math. Jo Boaler—Stanford researcher, professor of math education, and expert on math learning—has studied why students don't like math and often fail in math classes. She's followed thousands of students through middle and high schools to study how they learn and to find the most effective ways to unleash the math potential in all students.

There is a clear gap between what research has shown to work in teaching math and what happens in schools and at home. This book bridges that gap by turning research findings into practical activities and advice. Boaler translates Carol Dweck's concept of 'mindset' into math teaching and parenting strategies, showing how students can go from self-doubt to strong self-confidence, which is so important to math learning. Boaler reveals the steps that must be taken by schools and parents to improve math education for all. *Mathematical Mindsets*:

- Explains how the brain processes mathematics learning
- Reveals how to turn mistakes and struggles into valuable learning experiences
- Provides examples of rich mathematical activities to replace rote learning
- Explains ways to give students a positive math mindset
- Gives examples of how assessment and grading policies need to change to support real understanding

Scores of students hate and fear math, so they end up leaving school without an understanding of basic mathematical concepts. Their evasion and departure hinders math-related pathways and STEM career opportunities. Research has shown very clear methods to change this phenomena, but the information has been confined to research journals—until now. *Mathematical Mindsets* provides a proven, practical roadmap to mathematics success for any student at any age.

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