

Marcus du Sautoy

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The reason why we do maths is because it's like poetry. It's about patterns, and that really turned me on. It made me feel that maths was in tune with the other things I liked doing.

~Marcus du Sautoy

Mathematics is a place where you can do things which you can't do in the real world.

~Marcus du Sautoy

Mathematics has beauty and romance. It's not a boring place to be, the mathematical world. It's an extraordinary place; it's worth spending time there.

~Marcus du Sautoy

The point is with good maths skills you have just wonderful opportunities and if you don't have good maths skills, there are just so many things that you won't be able to do.

~Marcus du Sautoy

You know, I'm not terribly fast at my times tables, because that's not what I think mathematics is about.

~Marcus du Sautoy

Theory is needed to tell you where to look.

~Marcus du Sautoy

Primes are the atoms of the arithmetic - the hydrogen and oxygen of the world of numbers

~Marcus du Sautoy

The power of mathematics is often to change one thing into another, to change geometry into language.

~Marcus du Sautoy

I'm obviously attuned to pick up mathematics whenever I can see it. But in Mozart there is a lot of conscious use of mathematical symbolism and numbers in order to try and give messages.

~Marcus du Sautoy

If you can make yourself symmetrical, you're sending out a sign that you've got good genes, you've got a good upbringing and therefore you'll make a good mate.

~Marcus du Sautoy

When people ask me what my religion is, I say it's the Arsenal.

~Marcus du Sautoy

I think science is a foreign land for many people, so I think of my role as an ambassador's job.

~Marcus du Sautoy

I think my primary audience is in some sense an adult audience, because I think that will then have a knock-on effect for children.

~Marcus du Sautoy

The best mobile phone had the best mathematician. They know how to fit a huge amount of data into a small amount of space. How to do things efficiently, how to do them cleverly.

~Marcus du Sautoy

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