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Math's Magic

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Over 100 fun, magical, practical and useful mathematical exercises for experienced and inexperienced mathematicians. Although it may seem impossible to make the subject amusing, the author's enthusiasm will convince even the most stubborn math's hater!

The lack of interest in a school subject is often a sign that teachers are having trouble motivating the students. "Why do I have to learn this? When will I ever need algebra?" are common questions. Unfortunately for tired minds, we need mathematics more than we may like to admit, in both our daily and working lives. To increase an understanding of math's, Tjora insists that it is fun, while presenting mathematical dilemmas and cunning mathematical truths in perfect union.

DID YOU KNOW:

There is a greater risk of being killed by a cow than by a shark?

You spend a third of your life sleeping?

The Fibonacci number series describes the structure of the human ear?

Tricks for quick mental arithmetic, codes and code language, multiplying by hand, thumb measurements, the Fibonacci number series, the characteristics of the triangle, insight into area and volume, how to make a Norse Mill, the Pythagorean Theorem and algebra are among some of the things you will encounter in this book. Whether you are a student, a teacher, a parent or just interested in mathematics, this book is suitable for everyone, including those who could do with an alternative route to the understanding of mathematics. Recommended for everyone between the ages of 10 and 99.



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Håvard Tjora has worked as a teacher for 9 years, and is also a lecturer and columnist. Many people know him best as the teacher in the Norwegian documentary TV-series Blanke ark (Clean Slate). In the series Tjora helped youths who needed special tutoring to get back on track in the school system.

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