Career Girls: Importance of Math

Discover the Importance of Math!

Name:_____

In the "Importance of Math" video we met seven role models who told about the importance of familiarizing yourself with math skills and concepts to help guarantee success in careers and in life.

Read each item below. Think carefully about each one. Use the lines to share your ideas.

1) The first role model in the video said, "Math is important now because it equates to money later."

• What do you think the role model meant when she said this?

2) This same role model also said that you should not rely on a calculator, Mom, Dad or your future spouse to take care of the finances (money).

• What do math skills have to do with handling money?

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3) A role model in the video said that math skills can help you in your everyday life.

• How might knowing math skills help you in your everyday life?

4) A role model in the video said that mastering math skills and concepts can help bolster your confidence.

• How might knowing math have the power to help you feel better about yourself? Explain.

5) The successful role models in the video believe that understanding math can help you solve problems in other areas of your life.

• Give an example of how understanding math can help you become a better problem-solver in another area of your life.

6) In the video, we learn that it can be helpful to think of math as a language that is made up of numbers instead of words.

• Why might it be helpful for someone to think of math as a language?

7) The last role model in the video said she let her fear of math stop her from going after a career she wanted.

• What would you do if you wanted a career that involved math, but were afraid of math?