



MATHEMATICIANS

Student Activity Sheet

Name: _____

Date: _____ Per: _____

Famous Mathematicians

Using the Web sites below as guides, select three famous mathematicians. For each mathematician you select, write a short, one-paragraph biography that includes information about their lives and their important contributions to mathematics. Select mathematicians from as many different backgrounds as you can.

History of Mathematics

- <http://dir.yahoo.com/Science/Mathematics/History/Mathematicians/>

MacTutor History

- <http://www-groups.dcs.st-andrews.ac.uk/~history/>

Math Forum/Math History

- <http://forum.swarthmore.edu/library/>

1. Name of mathematician: _____

Biography: _____



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A Mathematician's Birthday

1. Go to one of the Web sites below and find a mathematician who was born on the same day as you.

- <http://www.agnesscott.edu/lriddle/women/women.htm>
- http://www-groups.dcs.st-and.ac.uk/~history/Day_files/Year.html
- <http://www.maths.tcd.ie/pub/HistMath/People/RballHist.html>
- <http://dimacs.rutgers.edu/~judyann/calendar/Calendar.html>

Mathematician's name: _____ Date of birth: _____

2. Describe his or her major contribution to the field of mathematics: _____

3. If he or she were still alive, how old would he or she be? _____

Design a Birthday Card

On a piece of poster paper, design a birthday card for your mathematician.