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"I must study politics and war that my sons [and daughters!—Ed.] may have liberty to
ematics and philosophy." —John Adams



Euler's first formula involving the five basic constants of mathematics did not generate a lot of enthusiasm.



Concept and artwork by Anna Pun and Richard Stanley.

The Mathematics Genealogy Project listed over 200,000 mathematicians as of July 2016. C.-C. Luo (MIT, 1987) has the most students, 137. Shams ad-Din Al-Bukhari has the most descendants at 137,029; his dissertation was well before 1315, the year of the dissertation of his mathematical grandson, Theodore Metochites.

From the Extrema page at the Mathematics Genealogy Project (see the article on page 466).

What crazy things happen to you? Readers are invited to submit original short amusing stories, math jokes, cartoons, and other material to: not-i-backpage@ams.org.

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