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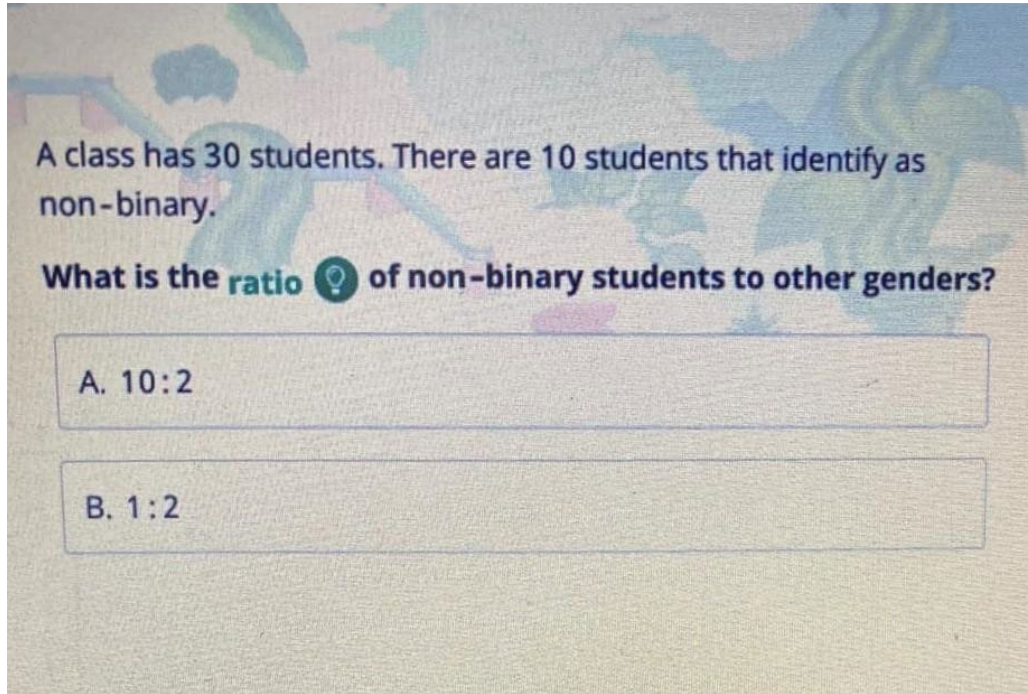
Math App used in elementary school



What You Should Know

KSD is very open about embedding social issues into its teaching. These are examples of what this tool includes and what children may be encountering during **math**.

Sample Elementary Math Question:



Samples of Info from the Prodigy Website:

Overt White Supremacy (Socially Unacceptable)

Lynching
Hate Crimes
Blackface The N-word
Swastikas Neo-Nazis Burning Crosses
Racist Jokes Racial Slurs KKK

Covert White Supremacy (Socially Acceptable)

Calling the Police on Black People White Silence Colorblindness
White Parents Self-Segregating Neighborhoods & Schools
Eurocentric Curriculum White Savior Complex Spiritual Bypassing
Education Funding from Property Taxes Discriminatory Lending
Mass Incarceration Respectability Politics Tone Policing
Racist Mascots Not Believing Experiences of BIPOC Paternalism
"Make America Great Again" Blaming the Victim Hiring Discrimination
"You don't sound Black" "Don't Blame Me, I Never Owned Slaves" Bootstrap Theory
School-to-Prison Pipeline Police Murdering BIPOC Virtuous Victim Narrative
Higher Infant & Maternal Mortality Rate for BIPOC "But What About Me?" "All Lives Matter"
BIPOC as Halloween Costumes Racial Profiling Denial of White Privilege
Prioritizing White Voices as Experts Treating Kids of Color as Adults Inequitable Healthcare
Assuming Good Intentions Are Enough Not Challenging Racist Jokes Cultural Appropriation
Eurocentric Beauty Standards Anti-Immigration Policies Considering AAVE "Uneducated"
Denial of Racism Tokenism English-Only Initiatives Self-Appointed White Ally
Exceptionalism Fearing People of Color Police Brutality Fetishizing BIPOC Meritocracy Myth
"You're So Articulate" Celebration of Columbus Day Claiming Reverse-Racism Paternalism
Weaponized Whiteness Expecting BIPOC to Teach White People Believing We Are "Post-Racial"
"But We're All One Big Human Family" / "There's Only One Human Race" Housing Discrimination

1. Acknowledge your privilege

For White parents, thinking about these conversations can be nerve-wracking.

But Black parents don't have the option to deliberate on whether they should approach these topics. Teaching about racism from the start is a necessary part of raising children, to protect their safety as much as possible.

<https://twitter.com/TrondyNewman/status/1267967053639479296>

So while it might feel daunting, recognize the position you're able to speak to your kids from and work to understand what it means to have privilege in different situations.

As Author [Robin J. DiAngelo](#) explains, "White privilege is the automatic, taken-for-granted advantage bestowed upon white people as a result of living in a society based on the premise of white as the human ideal, and that from its founding established white advantage as a matter of law and today as a matter of policy and practice."

When you've acknowledged your privilege, you'll be better equipped to explain issues surrounding race to your child in a way they can understand.

<https://www.prodigygame.com/in-en/blog/how-to-talk-about-racism/>

Suggested Resources on the Prodigy Website:

Websites/articles:

- [Black Lives Matter](#)
- [Anti-Racist Resources](#) -- Fortune
- [Anti-Racist Resource Guide](#) -- Victoria Alexander, MEd
- [Anti-Racism Resources for White People](#) -- Sarah Sophie Flicker, Alyssa Klein

Books:

- [The Hate U Give](#) -- Angie Thomas
- [Me and White Supremacy](#) -- Layla F. Saad
- [This Book Is Anti-Racist: 20 Lessons on How to Wake Up, Take Action, and Do The Work](#) -- Tiffany Jewell

Movies/videos:

- [13TH](#) -- Netflix
- [The Color of Fear](#)
- [Understanding Black Stories](#) -- Cineplex (free movies available online)

Podcasts:

- [Code Switch](#) -- NPR
- [Yo, is this racist?](#) -- Earwolf
- [1619](#) -- The New York Times
- [Pod Save The People](#) -- Crooked Media

To help you talk to your children

- [Talking Race With Young Children](#) -- NPR
- [Talking to kids about race](#) -- National Geographic
- [How to talk to your children about protests and racism](#) -- CNN
- [Raising an ally: How to talk to your child about the death of George Floyd, anti-Black racism](#) -- Global News
- [Teaching Tolerance: How white parents should talk to their young kids about race](#) -- Slate
- [Talking With Children About Racism, Police Brutality and Protests](#) -- Aha! Parenting
- [100 Race-Conscious Things You Can Say to Your Child to Advance Racial Justice](#) -- Raising Race Conscious Children
- [What is RES? Defining Racial and Ethnic Socialization \(RES\)](#) -- American Psychological Association

To support current causes

- [Ways To Help](#)
- [The Bail Project](#)
- [Black Lives Matter Petitions](#)
- [Riot Safety & Black History master list](#)
- [Petition for George Floyd](#) -- #wecantBREATHE
- [Petition: Justice for George Floyd](#) -- Change.org
- [Petition: Justice for Belly Mujinga](#) -- Change.org
- [Petition: Justice for Breonna Taylor](#) -- Change.org
- [Petition: Justice for Ahmaud Arbery](#) -- Change.org
- [Video: how to financially help BLM with NO MONEY](#)

Accounts to follow

- [Black Lives Matter](#)
- [Rachel Cargle](#)
- [Color of Change](#)
- [Good Good Good](#)
- [Strong Black Lead](#)
- [Check Your Privilege](#)
- [8 Educational Black Voices To Listen And Learn From Now -- Vogue](#)
- [9 Powerful Black Female Voices to Follow on Instagram to Be Better Allies and Proactively Anti-Racist -- Create & Cultivate](#)