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World Chocolate Day

08 Why try to impose consistency by imposing artificial ideas?

10 ChatGPT's answer

11 1. Why force "consistency" at all?

12 • In fact, many early traditions did refuse.

01 Greeks: no negatives. Equations like  
02  $x+4=0$  were "absurd".

03 Indians & Chinese: allowed negatives in  
04 bookkeeping, but not consistently in  
05 algebra.

06 Medieval Europeans: many resisted negatives as "false" or "absurd".

IMPORTANT NOTES

• But: when you start using symbols and algebraic rules, inconsistencies crop up

Do not judge me by my successes, judge me by how many times I fell down and got back up again. - Nelson Mandela