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## Challenge The Text

**Directions:** Read the passage below carefully. As you read, think about places where the author makes strong claims or assumptions. Pose **critical questions** that challenge the author's ideas, reasoning, or evidence. Write at least **three thoughtful questions** and then explain why each question is important.

All students should be required to take advanced mathematics through their final year of high school. Higher-level math improves logical thinking, and anyone who avoids it is missing out on essential life skills. Students who don't take advanced math will struggle to succeed in college, careers, and even everyday decision-making. The best way for schools to prepare young people for the real world is to make advanced math mandatory for everyone.

Write three questions that challenge the author's reasoning, assumptions, or evidence. For each question, explain why it is a good critical question.

**Reflection Question:** Do you agree or disagree with the author's claim?  
Explain your position.

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