

Are Medical Device Companies Being Demonized?

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All parents have heard their kids complain that but for 1 or 2 percentage points, they would have achieved a higher grade.

“This is so unfair! My average is 89.9999 and he is still giving me a B+!”

Every kid should receive an A, of course, since psychologists are now professing that every kid is a prodigy in some new measure of intelligence. Academic intelligence, the conventional and obsolescent notion, has been sidelined to make room for other types of smarts, such as musical intelligence, existential intelligence, interpersonal intelligence, spatial intelligence and many others.

I agree that there's a lot more to being smart than conquering number theory and linear algebra, but I wonder whether this effort to broaden the definition of intelligence is simply so more parents can have smart kids. Personally, I think that the conventional definition of intelligence is too rigid and we should be open to where rigorous research leads.

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