

1. One way to work out a multiply fact is to draw a rectangle and count the squares.

Here are two identical rectangles, both are 3 squares high and 10 squares wide.

Depending how we count we show a way to work out either 3×10 or 10×3

“3 lots of 10” = $3 \times 10 = \dots$

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	

“10 lots of 3” = $10 \times 3 = \dots$

1	4	7	10	13	16	19	22	25	28
2	5	8	11	14	17	20	23	26	29

(a) Complete the speech bubbles and the multiply facts

A quicker way to multiply is to write out the multiples, but which way is easiest?

In this example writing out the *multiples of 10* is easier than the multiples of 3.

Question (written in 2 ways)	One way of working	Another way of working
e.g. 3×10 or $10 \times 3 = \dots$	10 20 30	3

Remember sometimes you might “know” the answer ...

... and sometimes there will be a quicker way.

(b) Complete these multiplication facts - only complete the way that is easiest for you.

Question (written in 2 ways)	One way of working	Another way of working
(i) 6×5 or $5 \times 6 = \dots$	5 	6
(ii) 2×7 or $7 \times 2 = \dots$	7 ...	2

Here is a spare pair of hands if you need them \longrightarrow



2. One way to work out a multiply fact is to draw a rectangle and count the squares.

Here are two identical rectangles, both are 3 squares high and 5 squares wide.

Depending how we count we show a way to work out either 3×5 or 5×3

“3 lots of 5” = $3 \times 5 = \dots$

1	2	3	4	
6	7	8	9	
11	12	13	14	

“5 lots of 3” = $5 \times 3 = \dots$

1	4	7	10	13
2	5	8	11	14

(a) Complete the speech bubbles and the multiply facts

A quicker way to multiply is to write out the multiples, but which way is easiest?

In this example writing out the *multiples of 5* is easier than the multiples of 3.

Question (written in 2 ways)	One way of working	Another way of working
e.g. 3×5 or $5 \times 3 = 15$	5 10 15	3

Remember sometimes you might “know” the answer ...

... and sometimes there will be a quicker way.



(b) Complete these multiplication facts - only complete the way that is easiest for you.

Question (written in 2 ways)	One way of working	Another way of working
(i) 8×9 or $9 \times 8 = \dots$	9 	8
(ii) 7×10 or $10 \times 7 = \dots$	10 	7

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Answers

1. (i) 30, (ii) 14
2. (i) 72, (ii) 70