


Factors

Tile Problems and Factors



Use *Square-Inch Grid Paper* or tiles to help you solve these problems. Write a number sentence to go with each problem.

- Roberto made a rectangle with 6 rows and 5 tiles in each row. How many tiles did he use?
- Jackie made a rectangle with 21 tiles. There were 7 tiles in each row. How many rows were there?
- Shannon made a rectangle with 32 tiles. If there were 4 rows, how many tiles were in each row?
- Then Shannon made a different rectangle with her 32 tiles. What other rectangle could Shannon have made?
- A rectangle of 12 tiles has 3 different colors. There is an equal number of tiles of each color. How many tiles of each color are there?

When a rectangle can be made with tiles, the 2 sides of the rectangle are called **factors** of the total number of tiles used. Roberto's rectangle in Question 1 has sides of 6 and 5 tiles so he can write the number sentence $6 \times 5 = 30$. Roberto's rectangle shows that 5 and 6 are **factors** of 30.

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- Jackie's rectangle shows that 7 is a factor of 21. Use the number sentence you wrote for Question 2 to name another factor of 21.
- Use your number sentence in Question 3 to name two factors of 32.
- Did you find two more factors in Question 4? What are they?

Finding Factors

Hmm, $24 \div 5$ equals 4.8, so that means 4 $\frac{4}{5}$ tiles would go in each row. That's not possible, since I can't cut the tiles.



Jacob wondered whether he could arrange 24 tiles into 5 rows. He wanted to know if 5 is a factor of 24. He used his calculator to divide 24 into 5 groups.

The **factors** of a number must be **whole numbers** that can be multiplied to get the number. For example, $3 \times 8 = 24$, so 3 and 8 are factors of 24. Three and eight are whole numbers. All the factors of 24 are 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12, and 24, because we can multiply pairs of numbers to get 24 in the following ways: 1×24 , 2×12 , 3×8 , and 4×6 .

The factors of a number can also be described as the whole numbers that divide the number evenly. 2 is a factor of 24 because $24 \div 2 = 12$. But 5 is not a factor of 24 because $24 \div 5 = 4.8$, and 4.8 is not a whole number.

The number sentence $24 = 3 \times 8$ tells us:

- 24 is a multiple of both 3 and 8.
- 3 and 8 are both factors of 24.

Remember, a **multiple** of a number is the product of that number and another number.

The factors of a number tell us which numbers of rows are possible in rectangles made with that number of tiles. Jacob couldn't make a rectangle with 5 rows and 24 tiles because 5 is not a factor of 24.

- Is it possible to make a rectangle with 24 tiles and 6 rows? If so, how many tiles will be in each row? Use your calculator to check.
 - Is it possible to make a rectangle with 24 tiles and 7 rows? Use your calculator to check. Explain.

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Questions 1–16 (SG pp. 79–81)


- * 30 tiles; $6 \times 5 = 30$
- * 3 rows; $3 \times 7 = 21$, or $21 \div 7 = 3$
- * 8 tiles; $4 \times 8 = 32$
- * 2 possible rectangles:
2 rows with 16 tiles, $2 \times 16 = 32$
1 row with 32 tiles, $1 \times 32 = 32$
- * 4 tiles of each color; $4 \times 3 = 12$
- 3; $7 \times 3 = 21$
- 4 and 8; $4 \times 8 = 32$
- Possible factors: 2 and 16; $2 \times 16 = 32$ or 1 and 32; $1 \times 32 = 32$
- Yes; 4 tiles in each row; $24 \div 6 = 4$
 - No; $24 \div 7 = 3.4285714\dots$; The answer on the calculator is not a whole number.

10. **A.** No; Explanations will vary. Using the calculator: $38 \div 5 = 7.6$. You cannot make a rectangle with 5 rows and 38 tiles.
B. No; Explanations will vary. You cannot multiply 5 by a whole number to get 38.
C. Yes; Explanations will vary. Using the calculator: $35 \div 5 = 7$, which is a whole number. You can make a rectangle with 5 rows and 35 tiles. There would be 7 tiles in each row.
D. Yes, $5 \times 7 = 35$
11. **A.** Yes; Explanations will vary. $32 \div 8 = 4$. You can make a rectangle with 8 rows and 32 tiles. There will be 4 tiles in each row.
B. No; Explanations will vary. $36 \div 8 = 4.5$. You cannot make a rectangle with 8 rows and 36 tiles.
C. 32 is a multiple of 8; $8 \times 4 = 32$
12. **A.** Yes; Yes; $48 \div 6 = 8$; 8 students in each row
B. No; No; $48 \div 7 = 6.8571429$
C. Yes; Yes; $48 \div 8 = 6$; 6 students in each row
D. 6 and 8
13. **A.** 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 12
B. 1, 2, 4, 8, 16
C. 1, 5, 25
14. **A.** 1 rectangle: 1 row of 13 tiles.
B. 2 rectangles: 1 row of 14 tiles and 2 rows of 7 tiles
15. 2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19, 23
16. **A.*** No; Explanations will vary. 35 has more than 2 factors (1, 5, 7, 35)
B.* No; Explanations will vary. 27 has more than 2 factors (1, 3, 9, 27)
C.* Yes; Explanations will vary. Systematic testing for factors by division shows that 41 has only 2 factors (1 and 41).

10. **A.** Is 5 a factor of 38? Why or why not?
B. Is 38 a multiple of 5? Why or why not?
C. Is 5 a factor of 35? Why or why not?
D. Is 35 a multiple of 5? Why or why not?

11. **A.** Is 8 a factor of 32? Why or why not?
B. Is 8 a factor of 36? Why or why not?
C. Which number is a multiple of 8: 32 or 36? Explain your answer.

12. The band leader at Coleman School wants to arrange the 48 members of the marching band into rows with an equal number of students in each row.



A. Can he arrange them into 6 rows? Is 6 a factor of 48?
B. Can he arrange them into 7 rows? Is 7 a factor of 48?
C. Can he arrange them into 8 rows? Is 8 a factor of 48?
D. 48 is a multiple of which of these numbers: 6 7 8

13. Find the factors of:
A. 12 **B.** 16 **C.** 25

Use the *How Many Rectangles with 24 Tiles?* page in your *Student Activity Book* to find all of the factors of 24. Then find more factors with the *How Many Rectangles with _____ Tiles?* page.

Prime Numbers

A **prime number** is any number greater than one that has only two factors—itsself and one. Thirteen is a prime number because its only factors are 13 and 1. Fourteen is not a prime number because it has four factors: 1, 2, 7, and 14.

14. **A.** How many rectangles are possible with 13 tiles?
B. How many rectangles are possible with 14 tiles?

15. Which numbers between 1 and 25 have only 2 factors? These are prime numbers.

16. Which of the following are prime numbers? Explain.
A. 35 **B.** 27 **C.** 41

Use the *Factors and Multiples on the Number Line* page in your *Student Activity Book* to find multiples.

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More Tile Problems

Use *Square-Inch Grid Paper* to help you solve these problems. Write a number sentence to go with each problem.

- Irma made a rectangle with 28 tiles. If there were 7 rows, how many tiles were in each row?
- Keenya made a rectangle with 8 rows and 5 tiles in each row. How many tiles did she use?
- Michael made a rectangle with the same number of tiles as Keenya's but with a different number of rows. Describe the rectangle that Michael could have made.
- Find another rectangle that Michael could have made.
- Romesh made a rectangle with 42 tiles. There were 6 tiles in each row. How many rows were there?
- A rectangle of 18 tiles has 3 different colors. There is an equal number of tiles of each color. How many tiles of each color are there? How do you know? Draw a picture to show your solution.

More Finding Factors Problems

- Make a table like this one to show all the rectangles that can be made with 28 tiles. You can use a calculator, multiplication facts, or *Square-Inch Grid Paper* to help you divide.
 - Use the table to help you list the factors of 28.
 - Make a table similar to that in Question 7 to show all the rectangles that can be made with 48 tiles.
 - List the factors of 48.

Rectangles with 28 Tiles

Number of Rows	Number in Each Row	Division Sentence
1	28	$28 \div 1 = 28$
2	14	$28 \div 2 = 14$

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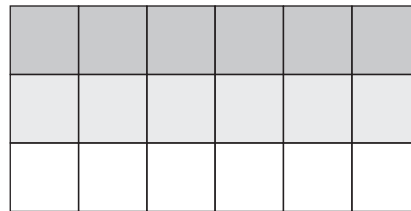
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Homework (SG pp. 82–83)

Questions 1–15

- 4 tiles; $28 \div 7 = 4$
- 40 tiles; $8 \times 5 = 40$
- 3 possible rectangles
 1 row with 40 tiles, $1 \times 40 = 40$
 2 rows with 20 tiles, $2 \times 20 = 40$
 4 rows with 10 tiles, $4 \times 10 = 40$
- 7 rows; $42 \div 6 = 7$
- 6 tiles of each color; $18 \div 3 = 6$



7. A. Rectangles with 28 Tiles

Number of Rows	Number in Each Row	Division Sentence
1	28	$28 \div 1 = 28$
2	14	$28 \div 2 = 14$
4	7	$28 \div 4 = 7$
7	4	$28 \div 7 = 4$
14	2	$28 \div 14 = 2$
28	1	$28 \div 28 = 1$

- B.** 1, 2, 4, 7, 14, 28

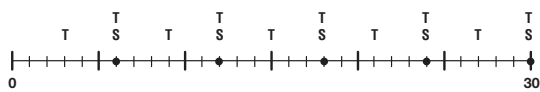
8. A. Rectangles with 48 Tiles

Number of Rows	Number in Each Row	Division Sentence
1	48	$48 \div 1 = 48$
2	24	$48 \div 2 = 24$
3	16	$48 \div 3 = 16$
4	12	$48 \div 4 = 12$
6	8	$48 \div 6 = 8$
8	6	$48 \div 8 = 6$
12	4	$48 \div 12 = 4$
16	3	$48 \div 16 = 3$
24	2	$48 \div 24 = 2$
48	1	$48 \div 48 = 1$

- B.** 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12, 16, 24, 48

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9. **A.** Yes; Explanations will vary. $3 \times 9 = 27$; If you skip count by 3s you hit 27. You can make a rectangle with 3 rows and 27 tiles. 9 tiles would be in each row.
B. No; Explanations will vary. $32 \div 7 = 4.5714\dots$; You cannot make a rectangle with 7 rows and 32 tiles.
10. Possible response: 8, 12, 16, 20, 24
11. **A.** Yes; Explanations will vary. $7 \times 5 = 35$
B. No; Explanations will vary. $42 \div 8 = 5.25$, 8 is not a factor of 42.
12. **A.** 1, 2, 3, 6
B. 1, 3, 5, 15
C. 1, 5, 25
D. 1, 2, 13, 26
13. **A.** No; Explanations will vary. 39 has four factors: 1, 3, 13, and 39. You can make more than one rectangle with 39 tiles.
B. No; Explanations will vary. 51 has four factors: 1, 3, 17, and 51. You can make more than one rectangle with 51 tiles.
C. Yes; Explanations will vary. A systematic check for factors shows that 67 has only 1 and itself as factors. (See Content Note in Lesson Guide 2 for a discussion of testing whether a number is prime.)
14. 29, 31, 37, 41, 43, and 47. Solution strategies will vary.
- 15.



$S = 6$ $T = 3$

- A.** Numbers that have 6 as a factor are 6, 12, 18, 24, and 30.
B. Numbers that have 3 as a factor are 3, 6, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 24, 27, 30.
C. Possible responses: Every number that has 6 as a factor also has 3 as a factor, but not vice versa.

9. **A.** Is 3 a factor of 27? How do you know?
B. Is 7 a factor of 32? How do you know?

10. List 5 multiples of 4.

11. **A.** Is 35 a multiple of 7? How do you know?
B. Is 42 a multiple of 8? How do you know?

12. List all the factors of:
A. 6
B. 15
C. 25
D. 26

13. Which of the following are prime numbers? How do you know?
A. 39
B. 51
C. 67

14. Challenge question: Find all the prime numbers between 25 and 50. Explain what you did to find your answer.

15. **A.** Draw a number line like the one below. Mark the numbers that have 6 as a factor on this number line.
B. With a pencil of a different color, mark the numbers that have 3 as a factor.
C. Compare the multiples. What do you notice?

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How Many Rectangles with 24 Tiles?
Questions 1–5 (SAB p. 41)

1.* How Many Rectangles with 24 Tiles?

Number of Rows	Number in Each Row	Division Sentence	Factors
1	24	$24 \div 1 = 24$	1, 24
2	12	$24 \div 2 = 12$	2, 12
3	8	$24 \div 3 = 8$	3, 8
4	6	$24 \div 4 = 6$	4, 6
6	4	$24 \div 6 = 4$	6, 4
8	3	$24 \div 8 = 3$	8, 3
12	2	$24 \div 12 = 2$	12, 2
24	1	$24 \div 24 = 1$	24, 1

Explanations will vary for 2–4. One possible response is given for each.

2. No. You do not hit 24 if you skip count by 5s.
3. Yes. You can make a rectangle with 3 rows and 24 tiles. There will be 8 tiles in each row.
4. No. $24 \div 9 = 2.666 \dots$
5. 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12, 24

How Many Rectangles with _____ Tiles?
Questions 1–4 (SAB p. 42)

1–4. Responses will vary depending on number given by the teacher.

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How Many Rectangles with 24 Tiles?

1. Use the Rectangles Chart in your classroom to fill in this table. You may also use square-inch tiles to help you. The first two lines are done for you.

Number of Rows	Number in Each Row	Division Sentence	Factors
1	24	$24 \div 1 = 24$	1, 24
2	12	$24 \div 2 = 12$	2, 12

2. Is 24 a multiple of 5? How do you know?

3. Is 3 a factor of 24? How do you know?

4. Is 24 a multiple of 9? How do you know?

5. List all the factors of 24.

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Name _____ Date _____

How Many Rectangles with _____ Tiles?

1. Fill in this table and list all the rectangles possible with the number of tiles your teacher tells you. You may use square-inch tiles to help you.

Number of Rows	Number in Each Row	Division Sentence	Factors

2. List all the factors of your number.

3. Is your number a multiple of 8? How do you know?

4. Is your number a multiple of 10? How do you know?

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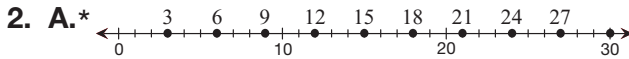
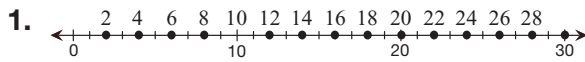
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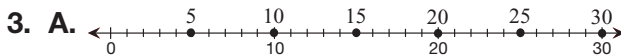
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Factors and Multiples on the Number Line (SAB p. 43)

Questions 1–3



B.* All of them. They are divisible by 3.



B. Yes, they are all divisible by 5.

How Many Rectangles with 30 Tiles? Questions 1–5 (SAB p. 45)

1. How Many Rectangles with 30 Tiles?

Number of Rows	Number in Each Row	Division Sentence	Factors
1	30	$30 \div 1 = 30$	1, 30
2	15	$30 \div 2 = 15$	2, 15
3	10	$30 \div 3 = 10$	3, 10
5	6	$30 \div 5 = 6$	5, 6
6	5	$30 \div 6 = 5$	6, 5
10	3	$30 \div 10 = 3$	10, 3
15	2	$30 \div 15 = 2$	15, 2
30	1	$30 \div 30 = 1$	30, 1

Explanations will vary for 2–4. One possible response is given for each.

- Yes. You can make a rectangle with 2 rows and 30 tiles.
- Yes. You hit 30 if you skip count by 3.
- No. $30 \div 4 = 7.5$, not a whole number.
- 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 10, 15, 30

Name _____ Date _____

Factors and Multiples on the Number Line

- Skip count to name the multiples of 2 up to 30. Mark the multiples of 2 on this number line. The first 2 are done for you.
- A. Skip count to name the multiples of 3 up to 30. Mark the multiples of 3 on this number line.

B. Which of the numbers you marked have 3 as a factor? How do you know?
- A. Mark the multiples of 5 on this number line.

B. Is 5 a factor of all the numbers you marked? How do you know?

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Name _____ Date _____

How Many Rectangles with 30 Tiles?

- Fill in this table and list all the rectangles possible with 30 tiles. You may use square-inch tiles to help you. The first line is done for you.

Number of Rows	Number in Each Row	Division Sentence	Factors
1	30	$30 \div 1 = 30$	1, 30
- Is 30 a multiple of 2? How do you know?
- Is 3 a factor of 30? How do you know?
- Is 30 a multiple of 4? How do you know?
- List all the factors of 30.

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Name _____ Date _____

How Many Rectangles with 20 Tiles?

Number of Rows	Number in Each Row	Division Sentence	Factors

1. Fill in this table and list all the rectangles possible with 20 tiles. You may use square-inch tiles to help you.
2. List all the factors of 20.
3. Is 20 a multiple of 2? How do you know?
4. Is 20 a multiple of 6? How do you know?

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How Many Rectangles with 20 Tiles? Feedback Box

Expectation	Check In	Comments
Represent and solve multiplication and division problems using rectangular arrays. [Q#1]	E1	
Determine whether one number is a multiple of another number. [Q# 3–4]	E2	
Find the factors of a number. [Q# 1–2]	E3	

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How Many Rectangles with 20 Tiles? Questions 1–4 (TG)

1. How Many Rectangles with 20 Tiles?

Number of Rows	Number in Each Row	Division Sentence	Factors
1	20	$20 \div 1 = 20$	1, 20
2	10	$20 \div 2 = 10$	2, 10
4	5	$20 \div 4 = 5$	4, 5
10	2	$20 \div 10 = 2$	10, 2
20	1	$20 \div 20 = 1$	20, 1

2. 1, 2, 4, 5, 10, 20

Explanations will vary for 3–4. One possible response is given for each.

3. Yes. You can divide 2 into 20 evenly.

4. No. You do not hit 20 if you skip count by 6.

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