



Math 3

1-1 Multiplication as “Equal Groups of”

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Interpret products of whole numbers, e.g., interpret 5×7 as the total number of objects in 5 groups of 7 objects each. *For example, describe a context in which a total number of objects can be expressed as 5×7 .*

Common Core Standards

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Use multiplication and division within 100 to solve word problems in situations involving equal groups, arrays, and measurement quantities, e.g., by using drawings and equations with a symbol for the unknown number to represent the problem.

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Equal Groups Strategy

Identify:

How many groups are needed to make

and

How many items are in each group

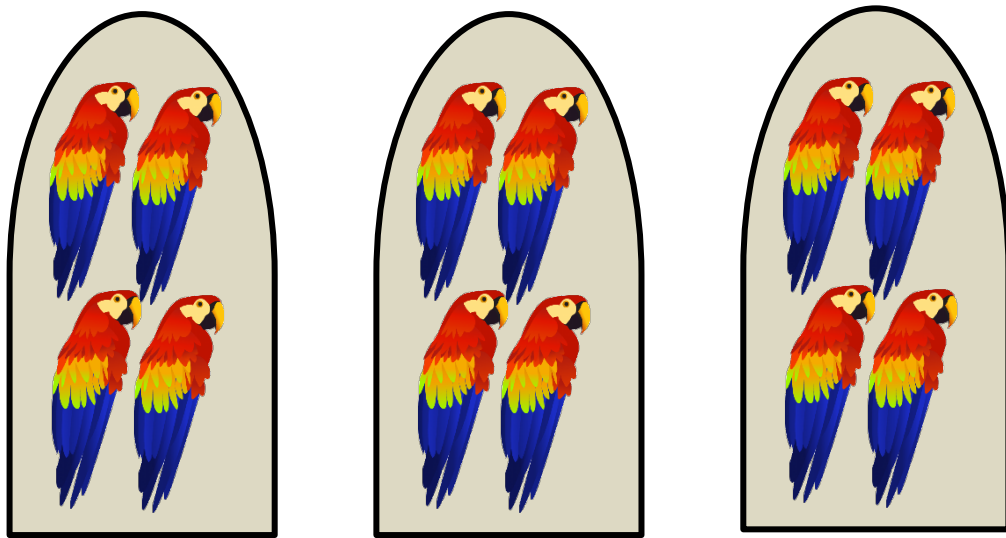
$$8 \times 4$$

Answer: There are 8 groups with 4 items in each group.

Equal Groups Strategy

Situation:

Luis has 3 cages. There are 4 parrots in each cage.



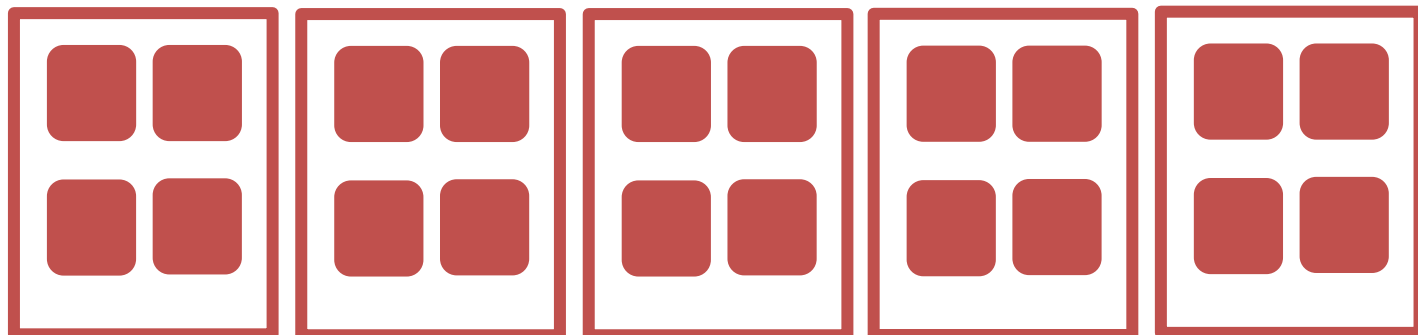
Write the expression to represent the drawing above:

 X

How many parrots are there?

Part A: Draw 4x5.

$5 \times 4 =$



$4 \times 5 =$

1. What is the product for 4×5 ?
2. What is the product for 5×4 ?
3. Do they have the same product?
4. How many groups did you draw for 4×5 ?
5. How many groups did you draw for 5×4 ?

Part B: Fill in the groups with the correct number of items specified by the expression.

Determine the product.

1. 5×7

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Product:

2. 6×8

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Product:

3. 2×2



Product:

4. 3×6



Product:

Part C: Task Cards

Match the pink card to the blue card with the correct expression to its corresponding equal groups statement.

1.

$$9 \times 7$$

a.

6 equal groups of 9

2.

$$7 \times 8$$

b.

9 equal groups of 4

3.

$$8 \times 2$$

c.

7 equal groups of 8

4.

$$6 \times 9$$

d.

4 equal groups of 4

5.

$$4 \times 4$$

e.

8 equal groups of 2

6.

$$9 \times 4$$

f.

9 equal groups of 7

ANSWER KEY

Situation 1 $3 \times 4 = 12$
parrots

- Part A:**
1. 20
 2. 20
 3. Yes
 4. 4 groups
 5. 5 groups

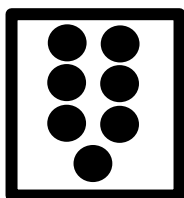
$4 \times 5 =$



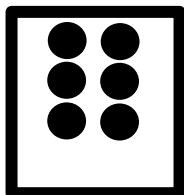
Part B:

In each
group:

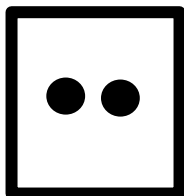
1.
Product: 35



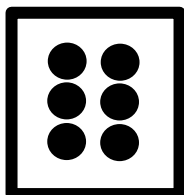
2.
Product: 48



3.
Product: 4



4.
Product: 18



Part C:

Task Cards

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| 1. | f. |
| 2. | c. |
| 3. | e. |
| 4. | a. |
| 5. | d. |
| 6. | b. |