## Autumn Block 3

Area

## Small steps

| Step 1 | What is area? |
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| Step 3 | Make shapes |
| Step 4 | Compare areas |

## Notes and guidance

In this small step, children encounter area for the first time.
They learn that area is the amount of space taken up by a two-dimensional shape or surface. They explore different ways of working out the area of a shape, and it is important that children recognise that some ways are better than others. In this small step, area is found by practically counting squares and not through any formal calculations.

This topic lends itself to practical activities such as finding the area of classroom objects using square pieces of paper. Activities such as this can be extended by using different-sized squares and discussing why this gives a different answer.

Children also explore the idea that counters are not suitable for finding area, as the whole area cannot be covered.

## Things to look out for

- When investigating area for the first time, children may not use a reliable method or unit to count how much space is taken up.
- When using sticky notes to practically investigate area, children may overlap them. This is a good opportunity to discuss the importance of measuring accurately.


## Key questions

- How can you measure area?
- Which item has the greatest/smallest area?
- Why would you not use sticky notes to find the area of the playground? What could you use instead?
- Why are sticky notes not useful for finding the area of a circle?
- What do you think the area of $\qquad$ might be?
- What happens if you use a different unit of measure to find the area?


## Possible sentence stems

- The area of $\qquad$ is $\qquad$
- Area is the amount of $\qquad$ taken up by a 2-D shape or surface.
- Area can be measured using $\qquad$


## National Curriculum links

- Find the area of rectilinear shapes by counting squares

What is area?

## Key learning

- For each pair of shapes, tick the shape with the greater area.

- This is a square sticky note.


Estimate how many sticky notes you need to make these shapes.
$\square$


Use five sticky notes to make as many different shapes as possible.

Compare shapes with a partner.
Explain how you know that all the shapes have the same area.

- Make a shape with an area of 3 sticky notes.

Make a shape with an area of 8 sticky notes.
Make a shape with an area of 6 sticky notes.
Which shape has the greatest area?
How do you know?

- Here is a rhombus.

Draw a rhombus with a smaller area. Draw a rhombus with a greater area.


- Dora is using counters to find the area of the rectangle.


Do you agree with Dora?
Talk about it with a partner.

## What is area?

## Reasoning and problem solving

Rosie and Dexter each find the area of the same table.

They use different-sized sticky notes.


Who has the larger sticky notes?
How do you know?


Tiny is finding the area of a rectangle.


What mistakes has Tiny made?
Talk about it with a partner.


Some of the squares overlap. There are differentsized squares.

Some of the squares extend beyond the shape.

## Count squares

## Notes and guidance

In the previous small step, children learnt that area is the space taken up by a two-dimensional shape or surface, and measured it practically. In this small step, they use the strategy of counting the number of squares inside a shape to find its area.

If appropriate, children can move on to finding the areas of shapes that include half squares. Marking or noting which squares they have already counted supports children's accuracy when finding the area of complex shapes.

Using arrays relating to area can be explored, but children are not expected to recognise the formula. Knowledge of the properties of squares and rectangles can help children to find the areas of shapes with parts missing.

## Things to look out for

- Children may miscount when counting the squares of more complex shapes.
- If children are insecure with their times-tables, they may make mistakes when using arrays to find the area.
- After using arrays to find the area of a rectangle, children may use them to find the areas of all shapes, which may not be appropriate.


## Key questions

- What can you do to make sure you do not count a square twice?
- How can you make sure you do not miss a square?
- Does your knowledge of times-tables help you to find the area?
- Can you use arrays to find the area of any shape?
- Which method is easier? Why?
- What can you do if the squares are not full squares?


## Possible sentence stems

- There are $\qquad$ squares inside the shape.
This means that the area of the shape is $\qquad$ squares.
- There are $\qquad$ squares and $\qquad$ half squares inside the shape.
This means that the area of the shape is $\qquad$ squares.
- There are $\qquad$ rows. Each row has $\qquad$ squares.

There are $\qquad$ squares in total.

## National Curriculum links

- Find the area of rectilinear shapes by counting squares


## Count squares

## Key learning

- Count the squares to find the area of each shape.

- Here is a patchwork quilt made from different-coloured squares.


Find the area of each colour.
What is the total area of the quilt?

- What is the area of each shape?

- Tiny uses times-tables to work out the area of the rectangle.


There are 3 rows altogether.
There are 5 squares in a row.
3 rows of 5 squares $=15$ squares
The area of the shape is 15 squares.

Use Tiny's method to work out the area of this rectangle.


Complete the sentences.
There are $\qquad$ rows altogether.

There are $\qquad$ squares in a row.
$\qquad$ rows of $\qquad$ squares $=$ $\qquad$ squares

The area of the shape is $\qquad$ squares.

## Count squares

## Reasoning and problem solving

A rectangle is made from squares.

The end of the rectangle has been torn off.


What is the smallest possible area of the original rectangle?
What other possible areas could there be?

Talk about it with a partner.


## $5 \times 3=15$ squares

multiple possible answers, e.g.
18, 21, 24
There are 3 rows, so all answers must be divisible by 3

Mrs Trent is tiling her kitchen with this design.


She has 5 white tiles and $2 \frac{1}{2}$ purple tiles. How many more white and purple tiles will she need?


What mistake has Jack made?
$8 \frac{1}{2}$ white tiles
5 purple tiles

The shape is not a complete rectangle.

## Make shapes

## Notes and guidance

In this small step, children make rectilinear shapes using a given number of squares.

Children learn that a rectilinear shape is a shape that has only straight sides and right angles. They explore the idea that rectilinear shapes need to touch at the sides and not just at the corners. Children may notice that a rectilinear shape looks like two rectangles joined together, but should be careful not to calculate the area as two rectangles added together, as this will sometimes include an overlap.

Children should work systematically to find all the different rectilinear shapes using a given number of squares by moving one square at a time, before moving on to drawing their own shapes with a given area.

## Things to look out for

- Children may not know that rectilinear shapes need to be touching along the sides, not just at the corners.
- When making rectilinear shapes with concrete resources, children may overlap the squares.
- Children may not recognise that shapes can look different but have the same area.


## Key questions

- How many different shapes can you make with four squares?
- How can you work systematically?
- Should you overlap the squares when making your shapes?
- How many of these shapes are rectilinear? Explain why.
- Is it possible to make a rectangle with an odd number of squares?
- Is it possible to make a square with an odd number of squares?


## Possible sentence stems

- There are $\qquad$ squares inside the shape.

This means that the area of the shape is $\qquad$ squares.

- The area of the shape is $\qquad$ squares.
- I can make the shape different by $\qquad$


## National Curriculum links

- Find the area of rectilinear shapes by counting squares


## Make shapes

## Key learning

- Ron has used four squares to make different rectilinear shapes.


Use four squares to continue to make different rectilinear shapes.
How can you work systematically?

- Here are some rectilinear shapes.


Find the area of each shape.
What do you notice?
Talk about it with a partner.

- Draw three rectilinear shapes, all with an area of 8 squares. What is the same about each shape? What is different?
- Shade more squares to make the area of the shape 12 squares.


Compare answers with a partner.
What do you notice?

- A builder uses 20 square slabs to make a patio. Draw a plan of the patio on a squared grid. The builder paints 6 of the square slabs green. None of the green slabs are touching each other. Colour the green slabs on your plan.


## Make shapes

## Reasoning and problem solving

Here is a rectilinear shape.


Add 7 more squares to the shape to make a rectangle.

Is there more than one possible answer?

Is the statement true or false?

There is only one possible way to make a rectangle with an area of 12 squares.

Draw a picture to support
your answer.
multiple possible answers, e.g.


False

Here is a shape.


Do you agree with Tiny?
Explain your reasoning.

No
multiple possible answers, e.g.

$+4$


## Compare areas

## Notes and guidance

Building on previous steps, children compare the areas of rectilinear shapes where the same size square has been used.
Marking or noting which squares they have already counted will support children's accuracy when finding the area of complex shapes.
Children begin by using the symbols $<,>$ and $=$ to compare the areas of different shapes, before drawing their own shapes to satisfy an inequality. They also compare the areas of different shapes and put them in size order.
Children could move on to finding the area of shapes that include half squares. This is another opportunity for children to explore the most efficient method for finding the area.

## Things to look out for

- Children may not be confident using > and < for inequalities.
- Children may miscount when counting the squares of more complex shapes.
- When counting squares to find the area of rectilinear shapes, children may count some squares more than once, which will give them an incorrect area.


## Key questions

- How can you find out which shape has the greater area?
- How much greater/smaller is the area of the first/second shape?
- What is different about the numbers of squares covered by the two shapes?
- What is the difference in area between the shapes?
- How can you order the shapes?


## Possible sentence stems

- The area of shape A is $\qquad$ squares and the area of shape $B$ is $\qquad$ squares.
- I know shape $\qquad$ has a greater area because it has $\qquad$ more squares than shape $\qquad$
- The more squares inside a shape, the $\qquad$ the area.


## National Curriculum links

- Find the area of rectilinear shapes by counting squares


## Compare areas

## Key learning

- Which shape has the smaller area?


How did you find your answer?
Talk to a partner.

- Write <, > or = to compare the areas of the shapes.

- Draw two shapes to complete the comparison.

- Put the shapes in order of size starting with the smallest area.

- A gardener has made two plans for a garden. Each plan has grass, a vegetable patch and a patio.

- What is the difference in the areas of the vegetable patches?
- Which plan uses more patio squares?
- The gardener draws another plan and calls it plan C.

The patio in plan C is twice the size of the patio in plan A .
What is the area of the patio in plan C ?

## Compare areas

## Reasoning and problem solving

Find the areas of the shapes.


How is the area changing each time?

Draw the next shape in the pattern.
What is its area?
Work out the area of the 6th shape.


3,5,7 squares

The area increases by 2 squares each time.

area $=9$ squares

13 squares

No

Here are two shapes.


Scott draws another shape and labels it C .

- the area of shape A < the area of shape C
- the area of shape $B>$ the area of shape $C$

Draw Scott's shape.
Is there more than one answer?
What could the area of his shape be?
multiple possible answers, e.g.
10, $10 \frac{1}{2}, 11,11 \frac{1}{2}$ squares

## Autumn Block 4

Multiplication
and division A

| Step 1 | Multiples of 3 |
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| Step 2 | Multiply and divide by 6 |
| Step 3 | 6 times-table and division facts |
| Step 4 | Multiply and divide by 9 |
| Step 5 | 9 times-table and division facts |
| Step 6 | The 3, 6 and 9 times-tables |
| Step 7 | Multiply and divide by 7 |
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| Step 8 | 7 times-table and division facts |

## Small steps

Step $9 \quad 11$ times-table and division facts
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Step 11 Multiply by 1 and 0
Step 12 Divide a number by 1 and itself

## Multiples of 3

## Notes and guidance

This small step revisits learning from Year 3 around multiplying by 3 and the 3 times-table.

Children explore the link between counting in $3 s$ and the 3 times-table to understand multiples of 3 in a range of contexts. They use familiar representations such as number tracks and hundred squares to represent multiples of 3. They explore how to recognise if a number is a multiple of 3 by finding its digit sum: if the sum of the digits of a number is a multiple of 3 , then the number itself is also a multiple of 3

This small step includes multiples of 3 up to $3 \times 12$ and will be useful support for learning multiples of 6 and 9 in future steps.

## Things to look out for

- Children may think that any number with 3 ones is a multiple of 3
- An early mistake when counting in $3 s$ will affect all subsequent multiples.
- Children may always begin counting from 3 to find a larger multiple of 3 , when they could use the multiples they already know to find the new information.


## Key questions

- What is the next multiple of 3 ?
- What is the multiple of 3 before $\qquad$ ?
- How many 3s are there in $\qquad$ ?
- How do you find the digit sum of a number?
- How can you tell if a number is a multiple of 3?
- Are the multiples of 3 odd or even?


## Possible sentence stems

- The next multiple of 3 is $\qquad$
- The multiple of 3 before $\qquad$ is $\qquad$
- I know $\qquad$ is a multiple of 3 because ...


## National Curriculum links

- Recall multiplication and division facts for multiplication tables up to $12 \times 12$
- Recognise and use factor pairs and commutativity in mental calculations


## Multiples of 3

## Key learning

- Complete the number track.

| 3 | 6 |  | 12 |  | 18 | 21 | 24 |  |  | 33 | 36 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

- Tiny is counting in 3 s .


What mistake has Tiny made?

- Colour the multiples of 3 in the hundred square.

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 |
| 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |
| 31 | 32 | 33 | 34 | 35 | 36 | 37 | 38 | 39 | 40 |
| 41 | 42 | 43 | 44 | 45 | 46 | 47 | 48 | 49 | 50 |
| 51 | 52 | 53 | 54 | 55 | 56 | 57 | 58 | 59 | 60 |
| 61 | 62 | 63 | 64 | 65 | 66 | 67 | 68 | 69 | 70 |
| 71 | 72 | 73 | 74 | 75 | 76 | 77 | 78 | 79 | 80 |
| 81 | 82 | 83 | 84 | 85 | 86 | 87 | 88 | 89 | 90 |
| 91 | 92 | 93 | 94 | 95 | 96 | 97 | 98 | 99 | 100 |

What do you notice?

- Complete the statements.
- 3 lots of $3=$ $\qquad$
- 4 lots of $3=$ $\qquad$
- 5 lots of $3=$ $\qquad$
- 10 lots of $3=$ $\qquad$
- 4 lots of 3 and 2 lots of $3=$ $\qquad$ lots of 3
- 7 lots of $3=$ $\qquad$ lots of 3 and 5 lots of 3
- Each side of a regular hexagon measures 3 cm .

What is the perimeter of the shape?


- 3 cars each have 3 people inside.

Each person has 3 bags.
How many bags are there altogether?


## Multiples of 3

## Reasoning and problem solving



Find the digit sum of each number.
What do you notice?

Use what you have learned about adding digits together to find which of the numbers are multiples of 3


Scott has 3 times as much money as Kim.

Kim has 3 times as much money as Amir.

Kim has $£ 12$
How much money do Scott and Amir each have?
$12,15,24,9,9,12$
$471,393,297,156$

Bags of sweets cost $£ 3$

- Ron buys 3 bags.
- Dani buys 9 bags.
- Aisha buys 4 bags.

How much does each person spend?
How much more does Dani spend than Aisha?
How much do the children spend in total?

Scott: $£ 36$
Amir: $£ 4$

Ron: $£ 9$
Dani: $£ 27$
Aisha: $£ 12$
£15 more
$£ 48$ altogether

## Multiply and divide by 6

## Notes and guidance

In this small step, children build on their knowledge of the 3 times-table to explore the 6 times-table. The step aims to embed the children's fluency skills with the 6 times-table, while also providing them with strategies to use the multiplication facts they know to find unknown facts.

Children explore the fact that the 6 times-table is double the 3 times-table. Children who are confident in their times-tables can also explore the link between the 5 and 6 times-tables. They use the fact that multiplication is commutative to derive values for the 6 times-tables. This is developed further with division facts, where children explore fact families to embed their understanding of division as the inverse of multiplication.

## Things to look out for

- Children may always start at $1 \times 6=6$ and recite the times-table, rather than use the number facts they know to find the facts they are not as secure with.
- When writing fact families, children may follow the pattern from multiplication and see division as commutative, for example writing $42 \div 6=7$ so $6 \div 42=7$
- Children may not recognise that when they are dividing by a greater number they get a smaller answer.


## Key questions

- How many equal groups do you have? How many are there in each group? How many are there altogether?
- What does each number in the calculation represent?
- What does commutative mean?
- Is multiplication/division commutative?
- How can you use facts from the 3 times-table to work out facts from the 6 times-table?


## Possible sentence stems

- 6 lots of $\qquad$ is
- $\qquad$ shared into 6 equal groups is $\qquad$
- Multiplying by 6 is the same as multiplying by $\qquad$ twice.
- $\qquad$ $\times 6=$ double $\qquad$ $\times 3$


## National Curriculum links

- Recall multiplication and division facts for multiplication tables up to $12 \times 12$
- Recognise and use factor pairs and commutativity in mental calculations


## Multiply and divide by 6

## Key learning

- Complete the sentences.


There are $\qquad$ boxes.

Each box contains $\qquad$ eggs.
There are $\qquad$ eggs in total.
$\qquad$ $-\times$ $\qquad$ $=$ $\qquad$


Complete the fact family.
$\qquad$ $\times$ $\qquad$ $=$ $\qquad$
$\qquad$ $\div$ $\qquad$ $=$ $\qquad$
$\qquad$ $\div$ $\qquad$ $=$ $\qquad$ $\times$ $\qquad$ $=$ $\qquad$ $=$ -


I can find the 6 times-table by doubling the 3 times-table

Use Rosie's method to complete the sentences.

- $3 \times 6=$ double $3 \times 3=$ double $9=18$
- $4 \times 6=$ double $4 \times$ $\qquad$ = $\qquad$ $=$ $\qquad$
- $5 \times 6=$ double $\qquad$ $\times$ $\qquad$ $=$ $\qquad$ $=$ $\qquad$
- $7 \times 6=$ double $\qquad$ $\times$ $\qquad$ $=$ $\qquad$ $=$ $\qquad$
- Complete the bar models.


Write the fact families for each bar model.

- Which numbers can be divided into equal groups of 6 ?


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18
$$

## Multiply and divide by 6

## Reasoning and problem solving



Is Tiny correct?
Explain your answer.

Dora puts 72 pencils into pots.


She puts 6 pencils into each pot.
She shares the pots equally
between 6 tables.
How many pots does she put on each table?

Draw a bar model to represent each problem.

Tom has 54 cakes.
He shares them equally into 6 boxes.
How many cakes will go in each box?

Tom puts 54 cakes into boxes.


There are 6 cakes in each box.
How many boxes will he need?

Is the statement true or false?
Sharing an amount into 6 equal groups will give twice as many in each group as sharing the same amount into 3 equal groups.

Explain your answer.

## 6 times-table and division facts

## Notes and guidance

Building on the previous step, children use known facts to become more fluent in using the 6 times-table.

As in the previous step, they apply knowledge of the 3 times-table and understand that each multiple of 6 is double the corresponding multiple of 3
Children use their knowledge of other times-tables to find values for the 6 times-table, for example finding that $6 \times 7=42$ because $5 \times 7=35$ and $1 \times 7=7$, so $35+7=42$

It is important that children practise the related division facts as well as the multiplication facts associated with the 6 times-table. Fluency with the 6 times-table will also help children to work out the 12 times-table in future steps.

## Things to look out for

- Children may confuse different terminology to describe multiplication and division such as "equal groups", "lots of", "times", "multiple" and so on.
- An early mistake when counting in 6 s will affect all subsequent multiples.
- Children may not see the link between $6 \times$ $\qquad$ and other multiples such as $5 \times$ $\qquad$ and $1 \times$ $\qquad$ . $\qquad$


## Key questions

- How can you use facts from the 3 times-table to work out facts in the 6 times-table?
- How can you use facts from the 5 times-table to work out facts in the 6 times-table?
- If you know a multiplication sentence, what division sentences can you find?
- What is the fact family for the calculation?


## Possible sentence stems

- 6 multiplied by $\qquad$ is equal to $\qquad$
- $\qquad$ $\times 6=$ double $\qquad$ $\times 3$
- $\qquad$ $\times 6=$ $\qquad$ $\times 5+$ $\qquad$
- $\qquad$ $\times 6=$ $\qquad$ , so $\qquad$ $\div 6=$ $\qquad$


## National Curriculum links

- Recall multiplication and division facts for multiplication tables up to $12 \times 12$
- Recognise and use factor pairs and commutativity in mental calculations


## 6 times-table and division facts

## Key learning

- Write a multiplication fact to work out the total.


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$\qquad$ $\times$ $\qquad$ $=$ $\qquad$
What other multiplication and division facts can you find?

- Complete the fact family to match the array.

$\qquad$ $\times$ $\qquad$
$\qquad$
$\qquad$ $\times$ $\qquad$ $=$ $\qquad$
$\qquad$ $\div$ $\qquad$ $=$ $\qquad$
$\qquad$ $\div$ $\qquad$ $=$ $\qquad$
- Complete the number sentences.
- $1 \times 3=$ $\qquad$ $1 \times$ $\qquad$ $=6$
- $2 \times$ $\qquad$ $=6$
$2 \times 6=$ $\qquad$
- $3 \times 3=$ $\qquad$ $3 \times 6=$ $\qquad$

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3 \times 6=18
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72 \div 6=12
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9 \times 6=54
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54 \div 6=9
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12 \times 6=72
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## 6 times-table and division facts

## Reasoning and problem solving



## Notes and guidance

In this small step, children are introduced to the 9 times-table. They use a range of strategies to support their fluency, such as looking for number patterns and finding unknown number facts from known facts, for example subtracting from the 10 times-table or tripling the 3 times-table, and these will be built upon later in the block.

Children explore the structure of the 9 times-table using a range of models and pictorial representations, and by exploring multiples of 9 in context. They also use commutativity with the facts they already know from other times-tables.

Children find division facts and explore fact families to embed their understanding of division as the inverse of multiplication.

## Things to look out for

- When finding multiplication facts, children may always start at $1 \times 9=9$ and recite the times-table rather than using the number facts they know to find the facts they are not as secure with.
- When writing fact families, children may follow the pattern from multiplication and see division as commutative, writing examples such as $54 \div 9=6$ so $9 \div 54=6$


## Key questions

- How many equal groups are there?

How many are there in each group?
How many are there altogether?

- How can you use the 10 times-table to work out the 9 times-table?
- How can you use the 3 times-table to work out the 9 times-table?
- What does each number in the calculation represent?
- What patterns can you see in the 9 times-table?


## Possible sentence stems

- 9 lots of $\qquad$ is equal to $\qquad$
- ___ groups of $\qquad$ is equal to $\qquad$ groups of $\qquad$
- $\qquad$ $\times 10=$ $\qquad$ , so $\qquad$ $\times 9=$ $\qquad$ - $\qquad$ $=$ $\qquad$


## National Curriculum links

- Recall multiplication and division facts for multiplication tables up to $12 \times 12$
- Recognise and use factor pairs and commutativity in mental calculations


## Multiply and divide by 9

## Key learning

- Complete the sentences to describe the oranges.
- There are $\qquad$ rows of 4 oranges.
There are $\qquad$ oranges in total.
$\qquad$ $\times$ $\qquad$ $=$ $\qquad$
- The oranges are shared into 9 boxes.

There are $\qquad$ oranges in each box.
$\qquad$ $\div$ $\qquad$ $=$ $\qquad$


- Complete the number track.


What do you notice?

- Here are Annie's workings for $9 \times 7$

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\begin{aligned}
9 \times 7 & =10 \times 7-7 \\
& =70-7 \\
& =63
\end{aligned}
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Use Annie's method to complete the number sentences.
$-9 \times 3=10 \times$ $\qquad$ - $\qquad$

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\text { - } 9 \times 8=10 \times
$$

$\qquad$ - $\qquad$

- $9 \times 6=10 \times$ $\qquad$ - $\qquad$ - $9 \times 9=10 \times$ $\qquad$ - $\qquad$
- Complete the number line to show counting in multiples of 9

- Complete the bar models.


Write the fact families for each bar model.

- Mrs Trent has 36 boxes of pencils.

She shares them equally between 9 classes.
How many boxes of pencils does each class get?

- Tommy packs 72 eggs into boxes.

Each box contains 9 eggs.
How many boxes does he need?

## Multiply and divide by 9

## Reasoning and problem solving



Find the digit sum of each number. What do you notice?

Use what you have learnt about adding the digits together to find out which of these numbers are multiples of 9

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477
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418

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    393
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396
$9,9,18,18,18,9$

477, 999, 396, 576

Amir has 9 bags of 6 sweets.
Whitney has 6 bags of 9 sweets.


Neither is correct.

Who is correct?
Explain your reasoning.

## Notes and guidance

Building on the previous step, children become more fluent using the 9 times-table and apply the multiplication and division facts in a wide variety of contexts.
To establish the facts, children use strategies such as using the 10 times-table to derive the 9 times-table, and understanding that each multiple of 9 is triple the equivalent multiple of 3 They investigate finding the digit sum and look for patterns that will support them in identifying multiples of 9 : if the sum of the digits of a number is a multiple of 9 , then the number itself is also a multiple of 9 . This, and the corresponding rule for the 3 times-table, will support their learning in the next step, where they compare the 3, 6 and 9 times-tables.

## Things to look out for

- Children may confuse different terminology to describe multiplication and division, such as "equal groups", "lots of", "times", "multiple" and so on.
- An early mistake when counting in 9 s will affect all subsequent multiples.
- Children may use tricks to find multiplication facts in the 9 times-table but not be able to use these to find the related division facts.


## Key questions

- How could you use the 10 times-table to work out the 9 times-table?
- If you know a multiplication sentence, what division sentences can you find?
- How can you tell if a number is a multiple of 9?
- How can you use the 3 times-table to work out facts in the 9 times-table?


## Possible sentence stems

- $\qquad$ $\times 9=$ $\qquad$ $\times 9+$ $\qquad$ $\times 9$
- $\qquad$ $\times 9=$ $\qquad$ - $\qquad$ $=$ $\qquad$
- $\qquad$ $\times 9=$ $\qquad$ , SO $\qquad$ $\div 9=$ $\qquad$
- Multiplying by 9 is the same as multiplying by $\qquad$ and then multiplying by $\qquad$ again.


## National Curriculum links

- Recall multiplication and division facts for multiplication tables up to $12 \times 12$
- Recognise and use factor pairs and commutativity in mental calculations


## 9 times-table and division facts

## Key learning

- Complete the sequence counting in 9s.

18, 27, $\qquad$ , 45, 54, $\qquad$ 72,81 $\qquad$ 108

- Which of the numbers are multiples of 9 ?

- Write the multiplication fact to work out the total value of the number pieces.


Write a division fact that you can see from the number pieces.

- Write the fact family to match the array.

$108 \div 9=12$
$7 \times 9=63$
$3 \times 9=27$

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81 \div 9=9
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Use this method to complete the number sentences.

- $3 \times 10=$ $\qquad$ and $3 \times 1=$ $\qquad$ so $3 \times 9=$ $\qquad$
- $4 \times 10=$ $\qquad$ and $4 \times 1=$ $\qquad$ so $4 \times 9=$ $\qquad$
- $7 \times 10=$ $\qquad$ and $7 \times 1=$ $\qquad$ so $7 \times 9=$ $\qquad$
- Match the inverse operations.

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27 \div 9=3
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63 \div 9=7
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## 9 times-table and division facts

## Reasoning and problem solving



Alex has 63 flowers and some vases.
She puts 9 flowers into each vase.
How many vases does she need?


Teddy has 63 flowers. He has 9 vases.
He puts an equal number of flowers in each vase.

How many flowers does he put in each vase?

What is the same about these questions? What is different?


7 vases

7 flowers

Mo is thinking of two numbers.


What are Mo's numbers?

Is this statement always true, sometimes true or never true?

Multiples of 9 are also multiples of 6

8 and 9
 -

sometimes true

Explain your answer.

## Notes and guidance

In this small step, children make links between the 3,6 and 9 times-tables to deepen their understanding and embed fluency with these times-tables.

This is done by exploring the structure of the times-tables using resources such as arrays and hundred squares, as well as via tasks that require children to reason and explore number facts to look for structural patterns.

On completion of this step, children should be confident with their $2,3,4,5,6,8,9$ and 10 times-tables before moving on to look at the remaining times-tables later in the block.

## Things to look out for

- Children may see the pattern of doubling 3 times-table facts to find 6 times-table facts, then make the mistake of assuming that they can double the 6 times-table facts to find 9 times-table facts.
- Children may rely on reciting the times-tables, rather than using known facts at other points in the times-tables to help them.
- Even when children are secure in multiplication facts, they may not be confident with the corresponding divisions.


## Key questions

- What links can you see between the 3 and 6 times-tables?
- What links can you see between the 3 and 9 times-tables?
- What other times-tables can you use to help find the multiplication facts?
- If you know one multiplication fact, what other multiplication fact do you know? What division facts do you know?

How do you know if a number is a multiple of $3 / 6 / 9$ ?

## Possible sentence stems

Double $\qquad$ $\times 3=$ $\qquad$ $\times 6$

- Triple $\qquad$ $\times 3=$ $\qquad$ $\times 9$
- 3 lots of $\qquad$ and 6 lots of $\qquad$ $=9$ lots of $\qquad$
- $\qquad$ $\times 3 \times 3=$ $\qquad$ $\times$ $\qquad$


## National Curriculum links

- Recall multiplication and division facts for multiplication tables up to $12 \times 12$
- Recognise and use factor pairs and commutativity in mental calculations


## The 3, 6 and 9 times-tables

## Key learning

- Here is a hundred square.
- Circle the multiples of 3 in one colour.
- Circle the multiples of 6 in another colour.
- Circle the multiples of 9 in a third colour.
What do you notice?

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 |
| 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |
| 31 | 32 | 33 | 34 | 35 | 36 | 37 | 38 | 39 | 40 |
| 41 | 42 | 43 | 44 | 45 | 46 | 47 | 48 | 49 | 50 |
| 51 | 52 | 53 | 54 | 55 | 56 | 57 | 58 | 59 | 60 |
| 61 | 62 | 63 | 64 | 65 | 66 | 67 | 68 | 69 | 70 |
| 71 | 72 | 73 | 74 | 75 | 76 | 77 | 78 | 79 | 80 |
| 81 | 82 | 83 | 84 | 85 | 86 | 87 | 88 | 89 | 90 |
| 91 | 92 | 93 | 94 | 95 | 96 | 97 | 98 | 99 | 100 |

- Here are three number tracks for the 3,6 and 9 times-tables.

Complete the number tracks.


| 6 | 12 | 18 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 60 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |


| 9 |  |  |  | 45 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

What do you notice?

- Dora has made an array to show $9 \times 5$


Draw and label an array to show that $9 \times 4=3 \times 4+6 \times 4$

- What does the bar model show about the connection between the 3 times-table and the 9 times-table?

| 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 9 |  | 9 |  |  | 9 |  |  | 9 |  |  | 9 |  |  | 9 |  |  |  |

- Tommy has 9 bags of 6 apples.

Write a multiplication to find the total number of apples.
Write the fact family for this multiplication.

## The 3, 6 and 9 times-tables

## Reasoning and problem solving



## Multiply and divide by 7

## Notes and guidance

In this small step, children use their knowledge of multiples and count in 7 s to make the link between repeated addition and multiplication.

Children apply their knowledge of equal groups and use a range of concrete and pictorial representations to deepen their understanding of multiplying by 7. They also draw on ideas from previous steps to explore flexible partitioning to show, for example, $8 \times 7=5 \times 7+3 \times 7$ or $8 \times 7=8 \times 5+8 \times 2$

Children also explore dividing by 7 through sharing into 7 equal groups and grouping into 7s.

## Things to look out for

- Children may need support to use the multiplication facts that they are confident in to find the ones they do not know as well.
- Children may not be able to identify which number in a number sentence corresponds with which number in a context.
- Children may find all multiplication facts by starting from $1 \times 7$ and then reciting their times-table facts, rather than using facts they know to find the facts they do not know.


## Key questions

- How many equal groups are there?
- How many lots of 7 do you have?
- How many groups of 7 are there in $\qquad$ ?
- What can you partition $\qquad$ into to help you multiply
$\qquad$ by 7 ?
- If you know this, what else do you know?
- How can you use the 5/6/8 times-table to find a fact in the 7 times-table?


## Possible sentence stems

- $\qquad$ $\times 7=$ $\qquad$ $\times 7+$ $\qquad$ $\times 7$
- $\qquad$ $\times 7=$ $\qquad$ $\times 8-$ $\qquad$
$\qquad$
- There are 7 groups of $\qquad$ in $\qquad$


## National Curriculum links

- Count in multiples of 6, 7, 9, 25 and 1,000
- Recall multiplication and division facts for multiplication tables up to $12 \times 12$


## Multiply and divide by 7

## Key learning

- Count in 7 s to continue the sequence.

- Rosie draws a picture to represent $7 \times 4$ in two different ways.


Use Rosie's method to represent $7 \times 6$ in two ways.

- Write two multiplications and two divisions shown by the array.

$\qquad$ $\times$ $\qquad$ $=$ $\qquad$
$\qquad$ $\times$ $\qquad$ $=$
$\qquad$ $\div$ $\qquad$ $=$ $\qquad$
$\qquad$ $\div$ $\qquad$ $=$ $\qquad$
- Amir is using partitioning to help him work out $7 \times 7$


Use Amir's method to work out the multiplications.

```
\(6 \times 7\)
```

- 7 children can sit around one table.

How many children can sit around 5 tables?

- 7 children can sit around one table.

There are 63 children.
How many tables are needed?

## Multiply and divide by 7

## Reasoning and problem solving

Three children are playing a game.

They score 7 points for every cup they knock down.


Here are their scores.

| Esther | 56 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Brett | 77 |
| Alex | 28 |

How many cups did each child knock down?

Dexter is thinking of a number less than 70


What number could Dexter be thinking of?

Show that

$$
9 \times 7=9 \times 8-9
$$

Draw an array to help you explain your answer.

28 or 56

Esther: 8 cups
Brett: 11 cups
Alex: 4 cups

## 7 times-table and division facts

## Notes and guidance

In this small step, children bring together their knowledge of multiplying and dividing by 7 in order to become more fluent in the 7 times-table.

Children construct fact families and use concrete and pictorial representations to make links between multiplication and division. It is important that children understand the structure of the multiplication table and can derive unknown facts from known facts. Children explore links between multiplication tables, investigating how this can help with mental strategies for calculation, such as $9 \times 7=9 \times 5+9 \times 2$. This step could also be an opportunity to use the 6 and 8 times-tables to derive the 7 times-table, for example $9 \times 7=9 \times 8-9$ or $9 \times 7=9 \times 6+9$. Drawing arrays is a useful way of helping children to see these links.

## Things to look out for

- Children may need support to use the multiplication facts that they are confident in to find the ones that they do not know as well.
- Children may find all multiplication facts by starting from $1 \times 7$ and then reciting their times-table facts, rather than using facts they know to find the facts they do not know.


## Key questions

- How many lots of 7 do you have?
- What is the same and what is different about the number facts?
- How does the 7 times-table help you work out the answers?
- What strategies can you use to work out a 7 times-table fact that you do not yet know? What other times-tables can you use?


## Possible sentence stems

- $\qquad$ $\times 7=$ $\qquad$ $\times 5+$ $\qquad$ $\times 2$
- $\qquad$ $\times 7=$ $\qquad$ $\times 8$ -
- $\qquad$ $\times 7=$ $\qquad$ $\times 6+$ $\qquad$
- There are 7 groups of $\qquad$ in $\qquad$
- There are $\qquad$ groups of 7 in $\qquad$


## National Curriculum links

- Count in multiples of 6, 7, 9, 25 and 1,000
- Recall multiplication and division facts for multiplication tables up to $12 \times 12$


## 7 times-table and division facts

## Key learning

- Complete the number track.

| 14 |  | 28 | 35 |  | 49 | 56 |  | 70 |  | 84 | 91 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

- Complete the fact family to match the array.

$\qquad$ $\times$ $\qquad$ $=$ $\qquad$
$\qquad$ $\times$ $\qquad$ = $\qquad$
$\qquad$ $\div$ $\qquad$ $=$ $\qquad$
$\qquad$ $\div$ $\qquad$ $=$
- Match the inverse operations.

```
8\times7=56
```

$$
28 \div 7=4
$$

$6 \times 7=42$

$$
84 \div 7=12
$$

$12 \times 7=84$
$42 \div 7=6$
$4 \times 7=28$

- Complete the multiplications.
$\rightarrow 11 \times 7=$
- $7 \times 9=$ $\qquad$ - $70=$ $\qquad$ $\times 7$
$\qquad$ $\times 7=21$
- $7 \times$ $\qquad$ $=35$ $\qquad$ $=1 \times 7$
- Dexter, Rosie and Whitney are working out $3 \times 7$ and explaining their methods.


Whose method do you prefer?
Is one method more efficient than the others?
Choose the method that you prefer to work out the multiplications.

## 7 times-table and division facts

## Reasoning and problem solving



## Notes and guidance

In this small step, children build on their knowledge of the 1 and 10 times-tables to explore the 11 times-table. They recognise that they can partition 11 into 10 and 1 and use known facts to support their understanding, for example $7 \times 11=7 \times 10+7 \times 1=77$

They use a range of concrete and pictorial representations to deepen their understanding of multiplying by 11 and to make links between multiplying and dividing by 11. They explore dividing by 11 through sharing into 11 equal groups and grouping into 11 s .

At this stage, children should already know the majority of facts from other times-tables, so highlighting the importance of commutativity is key in this step.

## Things to look out for

- Children may need support to use the multiplication facts that they are confident in to find the ones that they do not know as well.
- Children may not realise that 110, 121, 132 and so on are multiples of 11 , as the previous multiples of 11 all have repeated digits, for example 66, 77, 88


## Key questions

- How many equal groups are there?
- How many lots of 11 do you have?
- How many groups of 11 are there in $\qquad$ ?
- What can you partition 11 into to help you?
- How can you use base 10 to work out $\qquad$ $\times 11$ ?
- How can you use place value counters to work out $\qquad$ $\div 11$ ?
- How can you show this using an array?


## Possible sentence stems

- $\qquad$ $\times 11=$ $\qquad$
- $\qquad$ $\times 11=$ $\qquad$ $\times 10+$ $\qquad$ $\times 1$
- There are 11 groups of $\qquad$ in $\qquad$
- There are__ groups of 11 in


## National Curriculum links

- Recall multiplication and division facts for multiplication tables up to $12 \times 12$
- Recognise and use factor pairs and commutativity in mental calculations


## 11 times-table and division facts

## Key learning

- Complete the sentences.

$2 \times 10=$ $\qquad$ $2 \times 1=$ $\qquad$
2 lots of 10 doughnuts $=$ $\qquad$ 2 lots of 1 doughnut $=$ $\qquad$
$2 \times 10+2 \times 1=2 \times 11=$ $\qquad$ There are $\qquad$ doughnuts.
- Tommy is using base 10 to help him work out $3 \times 11$



## 

Use Tommy's method to work out the multiplications.

```
5\times11
```

$$
8 \times 11
$$

$7 \times 11$

```
\(10 \times 11\)
```

$6 \times 11$
$12 \times 11$

- There are 11 players in a football team.

How many players are there in 4 teams?

- Nijah is using place value counters to help her work out $66 \div 11$


Use Nijah's method to work out the divisions.

$$
99 \div 11
$$

$$
55 \div 11
$$

- 11 children can sit around one table.

There are 121 children.
How many tables are needed?

## 11 times-table and division facts

## Reasoning and problem solving



Amir bakes 11 batches of muffins.
How many muffins does he bake altogether?
In each batch, there are 3 strawberry, 3 vanilla, 4 chocolate and 2 toffee muffins.

How many of each type of muffin does Amir have in 11 batches?

Match the word problems to the bar models.


Dora has 88 footballs. She wants to put them into bags with 11 footballs in each bag.
How many bags does she use?


Explain your reasoning.

The first problem goes with the first bar model, and the second problem with the second bar model.

## 12 times-table and division facts

## Notes and guidance

In this small step, children build on their knowledge of the 2 and 10 times-tables to explore the 12 times-table. They recognise that they can partition 12 into 10 and 2 and use known facts to support their understanding, for example $7 \times 12=7 \times 10+7 \times 2=84$. They also build on their knowledge of the 6 times-table, recognising that multiplying by 12 is the same as multiplying by 6 and then doubling.
Children use a range of concrete and pictorial representations to deepen their understanding of multiplying by 12 and to make links between multiplying and dividing by 12. They explore dividing by 12 through sharing into 12 equal groups and grouping into 12 s .

At this stage, children should already know multiplication facts from other times-tables, so highlighting the importance of commutativity is key in this step.

## Things to look out for

- Children may need support to use known multiplication facts to find new ones.
- Children may find all multiplication facts by starting from $1 \times 12$ and then reciting their times-table facts, rather than using facts that they know.


## Key questions

- How many equal groups are there?
- How many lots of 12 do you have?
- How many groups of 12 are there in $\qquad$ ?
- What can you partition 12 into to help you?
- How can you use base 10 to work out $\qquad$ $\times 12$ ?
- How can you use place value counters to work out
$\qquad$ $\div 12$ ?


## Possible sentence stems

- $\qquad$ $\times 12=$ $\qquad$ $\times 10+$ $\qquad$ $\times 2$
- $\qquad$ $\times 12$ = double $\qquad$ $\times 6$
- There are 12 groups of $\qquad$ in $\qquad$
- There are__ groups of 12 in


## National Curriculum links

- Recall multiplication and division facts for multiplication tables up to $12 \times 12$
- Recognise and use factor pairs and commutativity in mental calculations


## 12 times-table and division facts

## Key learning

- Jack has made an array to help him work out $2 \times 12$

He has partitioned 12 into 10 and 2

$1 \times 12=12$


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| :---: |
|  |  |
|  |  |
|  |  |

Use base 10 to help you complete the multiplications.
$\rightarrow 12 \times 5=\_\quad>5 \times 12=\_\quad>48 \div 12=\_\quad>84 \div 12=$


- Write <, > or = to make each statement correct.




- A box holds 12 eggs.

How many boxes are needed for 36 eggs?

## 12 times-table and division facts

## Reasoning and problem solving


sometimes true or never true?
When you multiply any whole number by 12, the answer will always be even.

Explain your answer.

## Complete the table.

| $\times$ | 3 | 6 | 12 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3 |  |  |  |
| 6 |  |  |  |
| 12 |  |  |  |

What connections do you notice between the 3,6 and 12 times-tables?

How many possibilities are there?
 and children could attend if they spend $£ 60$ ?

Here are the prices of tickets to see a play.

| Adult | Child |
| :---: | :---: |
| $£ 12$ | $£ 6$ |

What possible combination of adults
9, 18, 36
18, 36, 72
36, 72, 144
$\square$

## Multiply by 1 and 0

## Notes and guidance

In this small step, children explore the effect of multiplying by 1. They notice that when they multiply a number by 1 , the result will always be the number itself.

This small step also focuses on multiplying by zero. Children learn that when multiplying any number by zero the result is always zero.
A common misconception with this small step is that children confuse the result of multiplying by zero with multiplying by 1. Ensure pictorial representations are used to address this misconception, so that children can see that $4 \times 0$ is the same as 4 lots of zero, which is equal to zero.

## Things to look out for

- Children may use addition instead of multiplication, for example $1 \times 1=2$ and $8 \times 1=9$
- Children may confuse the result of multiplying by zero with multiplying by 1
- When working out a longer multiplication, for example $3 \times 4 \times 5 \times 0$, children may start working from left to right rather than realising that as they are mutiplying by zero the answer must be zero.


## Key questions

- What does "zero" mean? How can you multiply by zero?
- What do you notice about the results of multiplying numbers by zero?
- What does "multiplying by 1 " mean?
- What do you notice about the results of multiplying numbers by 1?
- What is the same and what is different about multiplying by 1 and multiplying by zero?


## Possible sentence stems

- Any number multiplied by zero is equal to $\qquad$
- Any number multiplied by 1 is equal to $\qquad$ -
$\qquad$
___ groups of one $=$
- groups of zero $=$ $\qquad$


## National Curriculum links

- Use place value, known and derived facts to multiply and divide mentally, including: multiplying by 0 and 1 ; dividing by 1 ; multiplying together three numbers


## Multiply by 1 and 0

## Key learning

- Write a multiplication to work out the total number of pears.


$\qquad$
$\times$ $\qquad$ $=$ $\qquad$ -
$\qquad$ $\times$ $\qquad$ $=$ $\qquad$
- Complete the multiplications.

- Which calculations have an answer of zero?

$$
48 \times 1 \quad 0 \times 38 \quad 1 \times 1 \quad 0 \times 0 \quad 4 \times 0 \quad 10 \times 1
$$

What do you notice?

- Match the statements to the pictures.


How many apples are there in total? Complete the multiplication.
$4 \times$ $\qquad$ $=$ $\qquad$ 1 lot of 3


## Multiply by 1 and 0

## Reasoning and problem solving



## Divide a number by 1 and itself

## Notes and guidance

In this small step, children apply their knowledge of division and explore what happens to a number when they divide it by 1 or itself.

Children can sometimes confuse the result of dividing a number by 1 with dividing a number by itself. Ensure concrete and pictorial representations are used to address this misconception, including examples that involve both structures of division. Stem sentences can be used to encourage children to see this, for example: 5 grouped into 5 s is equal to $1(5 \div 5=1)$ and 5 grouped into 1 s is equal to $5(5 \div 1=5)$.

Following on from the previous small step, children may try to divide a number by zero and it should be highlighted that this is not possible.

## Things to look out for

- Children may assume that division is commutative and think that $12 \div 1=1 \div 12$
- Children may confuse the result of dividing a number by 1 with dividing the number by itself.
- Children may think a number divided by itself is zero.


## Key questions

- How many equal groups of $\qquad$ can you make?
- What is $\qquad$ shared equally into 1 group?
- What is __ grouped into groups of 1?
- What is the same and what is different about multiplying by 1 and dividing by 1 ?
- What is the same and what is different about dividing a number by 1 and dividing a number by itself?


## Possible sentence stems

- When you divide a number by itself, the answer is ...
- When you divide a number by $\qquad$ the number remains the same.
- There are $\qquad$ 1 sin $\qquad$
- There is 1 $\qquad$ in $\qquad$


## National Curriculum links

- Use place value, known and derived facts to multiply and divide mentally, including: multiplying by 0 and 1 ; dividing by 1 ; multiplying together three numbers


## Divide a number by 1 and itself

## Key learning

- Complete the sentences.


4 shared into 1 equal group is equal to $\qquad$
4 grouped into groups of 1 is equal to $\qquad$
$4 \div 1=$ $\qquad$

- Here is a bag of 3 pears.

The pears are shared between 3 children.
How many pears does each child get?
$3 \div 3=$ $\qquad$


- Write a division sentence for each statement. Use counters to help you.
- 4 counters shared into 4 groups
- 9 counters grouped into ones
- 7 counters shared into 1 group
- 6 counters grouped into sixes
- Dani bakes 7 cookies.

She shares them equally between her 7 friends.
How many cookies does each friend get?

$7 \div$ $\qquad$ $=$ $\qquad$

- A bag can hold 5 apples.

Ron has 5 apples.
How many bags can he fill?
-

```
8\div8=1
```

$$
12 \div 12=1
$$

What do you notice?
What other divisions can you write with an answer of 1 ?

- Which of the divisions have an answer of 1 ?
$100 \div 100$



## Divide a number by 1 and itself

## Reasoning and problem solving



## Notes and guidance

In this small step, children apply their knowledge of multiplication to multiply three numbers together.

They are introduced to the idea of the associative law (but do not need to know it by name), which focuses on the fact that it does not matter how they group the numbers when they multiply. For example, $4 \times 5 \times 2=(4 \times 5) \times 2=20 \times 2=40$ or $4 \times(5 \times 2)=4 \times 10=40$

Encourage children to link this idea to commutativity and change the order of the numbers to group them more efficiently.
Counters and cubes are effective concrete resources to use during this step to support children's understanding of the associative law.

## Things to look out for

- Children may need support ordering the numbers to group them more efficiently.
- If children are not confident with their times-table facts, they may struggle with multiplying three numbers.
- Children may automatically work from left to right without looking at the most efficient way to complete a calculation.


## Key questions

- Do you have to multiply the numbers from left to right?
- Which pair(s) of numbers do you know the product of?
- How will you decide which order to do the multiplication in?
- What is the same about these calculations/arrays?
- Which order do you find easier to calculate efficiently?
- If you worked out the calculation in a different order, would you get a different answer? Why/why not?


## Possible sentence stems

- I am going to work out ___ $\times \ldots$ first, because ...
- To work out $\qquad$ $\times$ $\qquad$ $\times$ $\qquad$ , I can first calculate
$\qquad$ $\times$ $\qquad$ and then multiply the answer by $\qquad$
- If $\qquad$ $\times$ $\qquad$ $=$ $\qquad$ then $\qquad$ $\times$ $\qquad$ $\times$ $\qquad$ $=$ $\qquad$


## National Curriculum links

- Use place value, known and derived facts to multiply and divide mentally, including: multiplying by 0 and 1 ; dividing by 1 ; multiplying together 3 numbers


## Multiply three numbers

## Key learning

- Complete the workings.

- How does the array show $4 \times 2$ ?


How does the array show $(4 \times 2) \times 5$ ?


Make an array to show $(5 \times 2) \times 4$
What do you notice?

- Find the products.


$$
8 \times 4 \times 5
$$

$$
2 \times 8 \times 6
$$

- Alex and Teddy are working out $6 \times 5 \times 2$

Alex

$$
\begin{aligned}
6 \times 5 \times 2 & =6 \times 5 \times 2 \\
& =30 \times 2 \\
& =60
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
6 \times 5 \times 2 & =6 \times 5 \times 2 \\
& =6 \times 10 \\
& =60
\end{aligned}
$$

Whose method do you prefer?
Is one method more efficient than the other?
Choose the method you prefer to work out the calculations.

$$
7 \times 4 \times 2
$$

```
\[
3 \times 5 \times 4
\]
```

$$
3 \times 4 \times 8
$$

- In a field there are 7 animal pens.

In each pen there are 4 rabbit hutches.
In each rabbit hutch there are 3 rabbits.
How many rabbits are there in total?

## Multiply three numbers

## Reasoning and problem solving

Choose three digit cards.


Find the product of your digit cards.
How many different calculations can you make?

What is the most efficient order to use to work out the product?

Kim rolls a 10 -sided dice three times.

The product of her numbers is 40
What numbers could she
have rolled?
Compare answers with a partner.

Answers will vary depending on the numbers chosen.


Is the statement true or false?
multiple possible answers, e.g.
1, 4, 10
1, 5, 8
2, 4, 5
$2,2,10$

$$
9 \times 8=9 \times 4 \times 2
$$

Explain your reasoning.

Which calculation is the odd one out?


True

Children can choose any card with the correct justification.


[^0]:    $42 \div 6=7$

