

## Break it Up: Distributive Property 3

The **distributive property** is a tool to make multiplication with larger numbers easier.

To use the distributive property:  
Break one factor into two addends,  
multiply both addends by the other  
factor, and add together both products.

Break up  
the bigger  
number  
into two  
addends

$$\begin{aligned}
 &16 \times 5 \\
 &\swarrow \\
 &(10 + 6) \times 5 \\
 &(10 \times 5) + (6 \times 5) \\
 &50 + 30 = 80
 \end{aligned}$$

$$16 \times 5 = 80$$



**Directions:** Solve each problem below using the distributive property. Show your work.

1.  $15 \times 9$

2.  $5 \times 14$

3.  $12 \times 8$

4.  $14 \times 10$

5.  $18 \times 7$

6.  $4 \times 13$

7.  $8 \times 19$

8.  $16 \times 3$

9.  $4 \times 15$