

Distributive Property of Multiplication



We use the distributive property to break apart problems with larger numbers to make them easier to solve.

1. Break one of the factors apart: 4 × 6

2. Multiply: $4 \times 6 = (4 \times 2) + (4 \times 4)$

3. Add the Products: $4 \times 6 = 8 + 16$

4. Put a box around the final answer: $4 \times 6 = 24$

Directions: Solve the following problems using the distributive property of multiplication. For added fun, choose two colors to use as you show your work!

8 × 7	12 × 3
9 × 5	14 × 8
15 × 6	7 × 11
9 × 6	7 × 9
13 × 3	8 × 9