Break Down Strategy

When the bigger times tables stump you, it's okay to "break down" the equation into something more manageable. For example, here is a great strategy to use with the 7s tables.

7s Strategy

If the 7s times tables are tough for you, try...
Times 7 = Time 5 + Times 2

Example: 7 x 8
I know (5 x 8) and (2 x 8)
     40   +   16 = (56)

Now you try! Show your work.

7 x 9 = _____   7 x 6 = _____   7 x 12 = _____   7 x 7 = _____

What are some other ways that you can break down equations?

9 x 8 = _____   7 x 6 = _____

(x   ) + (x   ) = ___   (x   ) + (x   ) = ___

12 x 5 = _____   11 x 5 = _____

(x   ) + (x   ) = ___   (x   ) + (x   ) = ___