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Multiplication with Arrays

When you multiply, think of the multiplication symbol as having the meaning "rows of."

The fact 3 x 6 would actually mean "3 rows of 6"

To solve this fact, draw 3 rows of 6 symbols.

x x x x x x
x x x x x x   3 rows of 6 symbols equals 18 symbols.
x x x x x x   3 x 6 = 18

Symbols aranged in neat rows and columns are called arrays.

Look at each array. Count the symbols in each row and column carefully. Write the multiplication fact for each.

1. O O O O O O O O
    O O O O O O O O   _____ rows of _____ equals _____
    O O O O O O O O
    O O O O O O O O   _____ x _____ = _____

2. | | | | | | | | |
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    | | | | | | | | | _____ rows of _____ equals _____
    | | | | | | | | |
    | | | | | | | | | _____ x _____ = _____

3. ◆ ◆ ◆ ◆
    ◆ ◆ ◆ ◆   _____ rows of _____ equals _____
    ◆ ◆ ◆ ◆
    ◆ ◆ ◆ ◆   _____ x _____ = _____

Now try this: On the back of this paper, draw an array for each of these facts:
      7 x 4   8 x 3   9 x 6   3 x 7   8 x 5