Lesson 4: Writing Sums as Products and Products as Sums

Classwork

Exercise 1

Rewrite the expressions as a product of two factors.

a.
$$72t + 8$$

c.
$$36z + 72$$

e.
$$3r + 3s$$

b.
$$55a + 11$$

d.
$$144q - 15$$

Exercise 2

a. Write the product and sum of the expressions being represented in the rectangular array.

b. Factor 48j + 60k + 24 by finding the greatest common factor of the terms.

Example 3

For each expression, write each sum as a product of two factors. Emphasize the importance of the distributive property. Use various equivalent expressions to justify equivalency.

a.
$$2 \cdot 3 + 5 \cdot 3$$

b.
$$(2+5)+(2+5)+(2+5)$$
 c. $2\cdot 2+(5+2)+(5\cdot 2)$

c.
$$2 \cdot 2 + (5 + 2) + (5 \cdot 2)$$

d.
$$x \cdot 3 + 5 \cdot 3$$

e.
$$(x+5) + (x+5) + (x+5)$$
 f. $2x + (5+x) + 5 \cdot 2$

f.
$$2x + (5 + x) + 5 \cdot 2$$

g.
$$x \cdot 3 + y \cdot 3$$

h.
$$(x + y) + (x + y) + (x + y)$$
 i. $2x + (y + x) + 2y$

$$2x + (y + x) + 2y$$

Example 4

A new miniature golf and arcade opened up in town. For convenient ordering, a play package is available to purchase. It includes two rounds of golf and 20 arcade tokens, plus three dollars off. There is a group of six friends purchasing this package. Let g represent the cost of a round of golf and let t represent the cost of a token. Write two different expressions that represent the total amount this group spent. Explain how each expression describes the situation in a different way.

Exercise 5

a. What is the opposite of (-6v + 1)?

b. Using the distributive property, write an equivalent expression for part (a).

Example 6

Rewrite 5a - (a - 3b) in standard form. Justify each step applying the rules for subtracting and the distributive property.

Exercise 6

Expand each expression and collect like terms.

a.
$$-3(2p - 3q)$$

b.
$$-a - (a - b)$$

Problem Set

1. Write each expression as the product of two factors.

a.
$$1 \cdot 3 + 7 \cdot 3$$

b.
$$(1+7)+(1+7)+(1+7)$$
 c. $2\cdot 1+(1+7)+(7\cdot 2)$

c.
$$2 \cdot 1 + (1+7) + (7 \cdot 2)$$

d.
$$h \cdot 3 + 6 \cdot 3$$

e.
$$(h+6)+(h+6)+(h+6)$$
 f. $2h+(6+h)+6\cdot 2$

f.
$$2h + (6+h) + 6 \cdot 2$$

g.
$$j \cdot 3 + k \cdot 3$$

h.
$$(j+k)+(j+k)+(j+k)$$
 i. $2j+(k+j)+2k$

i.
$$2j + (k+j) + 2k$$

2. Write each sum as a product of two factors.

a.
$$6 \cdot 7 + 3 \cdot 7$$

b.
$$(8+9)+(8+9)+(8+9)$$

c.
$$4 + (12 + 4) + (5 \cdot 4)$$

d.
$$2\mathbf{v} \cdot 3 + 4 \cdot 3$$

d.
$$2y \cdot 3 + 4 \cdot 3$$
 e. $(x+5) + (x+5)$

f.
$$3x + (2 + x) + 5 \cdot 2$$

g.
$$f \cdot 6 + g \cdot 6$$

g.
$$f \cdot 6 + g \cdot 6$$
 h. $(c+d) + (c+d) + (c+d)$ i. $2r + r + s + 2s$

$$i 2r + r + s + 2s$$

3. Use the following rectangular array to answer the questions below.

	?	?	?
?	15f	5g	45

- Fill in the missing information. a.
- b. Write the sum represented in the rectangular array.
- Use the missing information from part (a) to write the sum from part (b) as a product of two factors.

4. Write the sum as a product of two factors.

a.
$$81w + 48$$

b.
$$10 - 25t$$

c.
$$12a + 16b + 8$$

5. Xander goes to the movies with his family. Each family member buys a ticket and two boxes of popcorn. If there are five members of his family, let *t* represent the cost of a ticket and *p* represent the cost of a box of popcorn. Write two different expressions that represent the total amount his family spent. Explain how each expression describes the situation in a different way.

6. Write each expression in standard form.

a.
$$-3(1-8m-2n)$$

b.
$$5 - 7(-4q + 5)$$

c.
$$-(2h-9)-4h$$

d.
$$6(-5r-4)-2(r-7s-3)$$

7. Combine like terms to write each expression in standard form.

a.
$$(r-s) + (s-r)$$

b.
$$(-r+s)+(s-r)$$

c.
$$(-r-s)-(-s-r)$$

d.
$$(r-s) + (s-t) + (t-r)$$

e.
$$(r-s)-(s-t)-(t-r)$$