

Lab Framework

Text: CORD

Unit number and title: Unit 23 - Factoring

Short Description: Using starburst candy to have students start to think of integer pairs that multiply to a given number.

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Lab Title Starburst Stacks

LAB PLAN

TEACHER: Teacher Prep/ Lesson Plan

- **Lab Objective**

Have students start to think of integer pairs that multiply to a given number

- **Statement of pre-requisite skills needed** (i.e., vocabulary, measurement techniques, formulas, etc.)

Unit 7, Units 14-16, Unit 18

- **Vocabulary**

factor

- **Materials List**

starburst candy
lab sheet

- **State Standards addressed**

Math: A1.2.E and A1.2.F

Reading: 1.2.2

Writing: 1.1.1

- **Leadership Skills**

Students working together in pairs. Each student must show initiative when “switching off” to find factors of the numbers given.

- **SCAN Skills/Workplace Skills**

Writing: A. Communicates thoughts, ideas, information, and messages in writing

B. Records information completely and accurately

Arithmetic: A. Performs basic computations

D. And uses tables, graphs, diagrams, and charts to obtain or convey quantities information

Mathematics: B. Uses quantitative data to construct logical explanations for real world situations

C. Expresses mathematical ideas and concepts orally and in writing

D. And understands the role of occurrence and prediction of events.

Listening: A. Receives, attends to, interprets, and responds to verbal messages and other cues such as body language in ways that are appropriate to the purpose

B. For example, to comprehend

C. To learn

D. To critically evaluate

E. To appreciate

F. Or to support the speaker

Speaking: A. Organizes ideas and communicates oral messages appropriate to listeners and situations

B. Participates in conversation, discussion, and group presentations

C. Selects an appropriate medium for conveying a message

E. Speaks clearly and communicates a message

F. Understands and responds to listener feedback

- **Set-up information**

No set-up! Just buy lots of starburst!!

- **Lab organization**(-Grouping/leadership opportunities/cooperative learning expectations; -**Timeline required**)

This should only take one class period (50-55 minutes). See organization on student handout.

- **Teacher Assessment of student learning** (scoring guide, rubric)

See final page of this lab for scoring guide.

- **Summary of learning** (to be finished after student completes lab)

-discuss real world application of learning from lab

-opportunity for students to share/present learning

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- **Optional activities**

Give students pairs of numbers---one number that they must multiply to and the other that they must add to (the precursor to factoring, of course).

For example: Multiply to 18, add to 9. What are the two numbers? 3 & 6.

- **Career Applications**

Computer and information systems managers, engineering and natural sciences managers, computer control programmers and operators, computer software engineers, mathematicians, chemical/electrical/mechanical/nuclear engineers, engineering technicians, biological scientists, chemists, physicists, medical records and health information technicians, teachers (post-secondary)

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2 per group. Group members alternately give a factor pair. (Meaning each student does the same amount of work!)

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1. Arrange 12 starburst in stacks that are only 1 deep.
2. What are all of the ways you can arrange the starburst? Draw your results on another sheet of paper.

3. Now do the same thing with the following numbers of starburst. (Make sure you draw your pictures!):

30

35

48

50

4. Without using starburst, find all the ways to arrange 96. Make sure they are organized!

5. Find all the ways to arrange 1,184 starburst.

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$1 \times 12, 2 \times 6, 3 \times 4, 4 \times 3, 6 \times 2, 12 \times 1$

check pictures for accuracy.

3. Now do the same thing with the following numbers of starburst. (Make sure you draw your pictures!):

30

$1 \times 30, 2 \times 15, 3 \times 10, 5 \times 6,$
 $6 \times 5, 10 \times 3, 15 \times 2, 30 \times 1$

35

$1 \times 35, 5 \times 7,$
 $7 \times 5, 35 \times 1$

48

$1 \times 48, 2 \times 24, 3 \times 16, 4 \times 12, 6 \times 8,$
 $8 \times 6, 12 \times 4, 16 \times 3, 24 \times 2, 48 \times 1$

50

$1 \times 50, 2 \times 25, 5 \times 10,$
 $10 \times 5, 25 \times 2, 50 \times 1$

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4. Without using starburst, find all the ways to arrange 96. Make sure they are organized!

$1 \times 96, 2 \times 48, 3 \times 32, 4 \times 24, 6 \times 16, 8 \times 12$
 $12 \times 8, 16 \times 6, 24 \times 4, 32 \times 3, 48 \times 2, 96 \times 1$

5. Find all the ways to arrange 1,184 starburst.

$1 \times 1184, 2 \times 592, 4 \times 296, 8 \times 148, 16 \times 74, 32 \times 37$
 $37 \times 32, 74 \times 16, 148 \times 8, 296 \times 4, 592 \times 2, 1184 \times 1$

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