Student Name: ________________________________

In this unit, students learned how to:
- Use a variety of strategies for multiplying and dividing multi-digit whole numbers
- Practice using the standard algorithm to multiply multi-digit whole numbers
- Begin multiplying and dividing with decimal numbers

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On the back are some examples of strategies and models used to develop these skills and concepts in this unit.
## Problem

### Write the following number in expanded notation:
three hundred six and twenty-five hundredths.

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300 + 6 + 0.20 + 0.05
\]

### Comments

Reviewing the place value concepts associated with decimal numbers helps students compare different numbers and compute with decimal numbers. The words and expression (in expanded form) in this example are two ways of representing the number 306.25 that make the place value of the digits clear.

### Solve the problems in the string below. Use the answers from the first few combinations to help solve the rest.

\[
\begin{align*}
28 \times 10 &= 280 \\
28 \times 5 &= 140 \\
28 \times 15 &= 420 \\
28 \times 100 &= 2,800 \\
28 \times 50 &= 1,400 \\
1,456 + 28 &= 1,484
\end{align*}
\]

### Comments

This series of calculations is closely related to the work with ratio tables (see next example) and resembles the problem string exercises that students do frequently in the classroom. The purpose is to use combinations that are easy to solve mentally to help solve problems that aren’t so easy at first. In this example, students can halve $28 \times 10$ (280) to solve $28 \times 5$ (140) and then add the products to solve $28 \times 15$ (420). Once they calculate that $28 \times 50 = 1,400$, they may also see that 1,456 is 2 groups of 28 more than 1,400, so 1,456 + 28 must be 52. These strings build a strong sense of number and mental computation strategies.

### Janelle was getting ready for a big party. She bought 13 bottles of juice for $3.25 per bottle. How much did she spend on juice?

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<thead>
<tr>
<th>bottles</th>
<th>cost</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>$3.25</td>
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<tr>
<td>10</td>
<td>$32.50</td>
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<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>$6.50</td>
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<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>$9.75</td>
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<tr>
<td>13</td>
<td>$42.25</td>
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</tbody>
</table>

### Comments

When you were a math student, you might have seen a problem like this solved as shown below. Using a ratio table to keep track of partial products (like $10 \times 3.25 = \text{32.5}$) helps students solve such problems with greater ease, while also building their number sense and ability to use strategies that lead to mental computation.

\[
\begin{align*}
3.25 & \times 13 \\
42.5 & \times 32.5 \\
& \times 42.25
\end{align*}
\]

### Fill in the blanks to complete the problems. Use the standard algorithm to solve the problem.

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\begin{align*}
27 \times 14 &= 378 \\
108 \times 28 &= 3,000
\end{align*}
\]

### Comments

Students are expected to be able to use the standard algorithm for multiplication, and toward the end of the unit you’ll see homework problems that require it. Some are only partially completed using the algorithm, and then students are asked to finish the work. This prepares students for assessment items shown this way. Other prompts ask students to examine a fictional student’s work and identify how and why that student made errors in their use of the algorithm. Those prompts are meant to help students think carefully about how the algorithm works and to help them avoid making common errors when they use the algorithm.

### Julissa bought her mom some flowers. Each flower cost $0.65, and Julissa spent $11.70 in all. How many flowers did she get for her mom?

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<tr>
<td>20</td>
<td>$13.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>$1.30</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>18</td>
<td>$11.70</td>
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</table>

\[
13 - 1.30
\]

She bought 18 flowers because $0.65 \times 18 = 11.70$

(That also means $11.70 - 0.65 = 18$)

### Comments

The ratio table can also be used to solve division problems. You might recall solving problems like this one by first converting the divisor (0.65) to a whole number, multiplying the dividend by the corresponding power of 10, and then carrying out the long division algorithm, using a process of informed trial and error to figure out the maximum number of times the divisor goes into each part of the dividend.

\[
\begin{align*}
0.65 &\left\| 11.70 \right. \\
65 &\left\| 1170 \right. \\
520 &\left\| 520 \right. \\
0 &\left\| 520 \right.
\end{align*}
\]

The ratio table gives students a way to keep track of related facts that can help them solve the problem, reinforces the inverse relationship between multiplication and division, and preserves the actual magnitude of the numbers in the problem.