

REVIEW: Prime and Composite Numbers

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Key Concept and Vocabulary

A **prime number** is a whole number greater than 1 with exactly two factors, 1 and itself.

A **composite number** is a whole number greater than 1 with more than two factors.

Divisibility tests can help you determine whether a number is prime or composite.



Skill Examples

- 4 is even, so it is divisible by 2.
4 has a factor in addition to 1 and itself.
❖ So, 4 is *composite*.
- 11 has exactly two factors, 1 and itself.
❖ So, 11 is *prime*.
- 75 is divisible by 3 because $7 + 5 = 12$ is divisible by 3.
75 has factors in addition to 1 and itself.
❖ So, 75 is *composite*.

Application Example

- You collect 23 acorns. Can you separate the acorns into equal groups?
23 has exactly two factors, 1 and itself.
❖ You cannot separate the acorns into equal groups.



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Tell whether the number is *prime* or *composite*.

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| 5. 2 _____ | 6. 5 _____ | 7. 51 _____ |
| 8. 7 _____ | 9. 36 _____ | 10. 48 _____ |
| 11. 60 _____ | 12. 85 _____ | 13. 13 _____ |
| 14. 19 _____ | 15. 54 _____ | 16. 29 _____ |
| 17. 49 _____ | 18. 37 _____ | 19. 72 _____ |

20. **MARCHING BAND** A marching band has 65 students. Can the band director arrange the students into a rectangular array with more than 1 row and more than 1 student in each row? Explain.

21. **LISTING PRIME NUMBERS** List all the prime numbers that are less than 50.
