

### 3 Develop the Concept: Visual



## Visual Learning

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What information from the calendar do you need to solve the problem? [You need to know that there are 31 days in March.]

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## 1 Visual Learning

**Set the Purpose** Call students' attention to the Visual Learning Bridge at the top of the page. *In this lesson, you will learn to estimate products.*

**Animated Glossary** Students can see highlighted words defined in the Online Student Edition.

**underestimate, overestimate**

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### Another Example

This example shows how to estimate the product of 24 and 39 using compatible numbers. *Why was 39 changed to 40?* [39 is close to 40; 40 is a multiple of 10 and is a compatible number.] *Why was 24 changed to 25?* [24 is close to 25, and it is an easy number to use for mental math.] *1,000 is an overestimate for  $24 \times 39$ . How could you change the estimate to an underestimate?* [Change the compatible numbers to 20 and 40 and then multiply.]

### Another Example

How can you use compatible numbers to estimate products?

Estimate  $24 \times 39$ .

You can also use compatible numbers to estimate products.

It is easy to find  $25 \times 40$ , since 25 and 40 are compatible numbers. Remember that  $25 \times 4 = 100$ . So,  $25 \times 40 = 1,000$ , and 1,000 is a good estimate for  $24 \times 39$ .

Both numbers used to estimate were greater than the actual numbers. So, 1,000 is an **overestimate**.

## 2 Guided Practice



Formative Assessment

Remind students that when estimating, they should use numbers that they can multiply by using mental math.

Exercise 3

### Error Intervention

**If** students don't notice that they can use the Associative Property to multiply 27 by 4 before multiplying by 43,

**then** ask: *In Exercise 3, which property can you use to change the order of the multiplication?* [The Commutative Property;  $27 \times 4 \times 43$ ] *Why would changing the order make Exercise 3 easier to use compatible numbers?* [27 is close to 25, and 25 and 4 are compatible numbers and are easy to multiply mentally.]

**Reteaching** For another example and more practice, assign Reteaching Set C on p. 80.

### Guided Practice\*

#### Do you know HOW?

In 1 and 2, estimate by using rounding. Tell if your estimate is an overestimate or underestimate.

**Sample answers are given.**

1.  $58 \times 6$  2.  $733 \times 21$  14,000;

360; overestimate underestimate

In 3 and 4, estimate by using compatible numbers. Tell if your estimate is an overestimate or underestimate.

**Sample answers are given.**

3.  $43 \times 27 \times 4$  4.  $38 \times 69$

4300; 2800;

underestimate overestimate

#### Do you UNDERSTAND?

5. **Writing to Explain** Susan used rounding to estimate  $243 \times 4$  and found  $200 \times 4$ . Jeremy used compatible numbers and found  $250 \times 4$ . The actual product is 972. Whose method gives an estimate closer to the actual product?

**Jeremy;  $250 \times 4 = 1,000$**

6. **Reasonableness** In the example above, why is it better to adjust \$525 to 500 rather than leave the number at 525? **Adjusting \$525 to 500 is easier to multiply and gives an underestimate.**



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\*For another example, see Set C on page 80.