

# Divisibility

A number **a** is **divisible** by another number **b** if the division  $a \div b$  is exact (no remainder).

For example,  $18 \div 3 = 6$ . So, 18 is divisible by 3. Also, 18 is divisible by 6, because we can write the other division  $18 \div 6 = 3$ . So, 18 is divisible by both 6 and 3.

We say 6 and 3 are **divisors** or **factors** of 18.

You can use long division to check if a number is divisible by another.

$67 \div 4 = 16, R3$ . There is a remainder, so 67 is not divisible by 4.

Also, from this we learn that neither 4 nor 16 is a factor (divisor) of 67.

$$\begin{array}{r} 16 \\ 4 \overline{) 67} \\ \underline{-4} \phantom{0} \\ 27 \\ \underline{-24} \\ 3 \end{array}$$

1. Divide and determine if the numbers are divisible by the given number.

<p><b>a.</b> <math>21 \div 3 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}</math> Is 21 divisible by 3?</p>	<p><b>b.</b> <math>40 \div 6 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}</math> Is 40 divisible by 6?</p>	<p><b>c.</b> <math>84 \div 7 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}</math> Is 7 a factor of 84?</p>
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2. Answer the questions. You may need long division.

<p><b>a.</b> Is 98 divisible by 4?</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100%; height: 150px; margin-top: 10px;"></div>	<p><b>b.</b> Is 603 divisible by 7?</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100%; height: 150px; margin-top: 10px;"></div>	<p><b>c.</b> Is 3 a factor of 1256?</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100%; height: 150px; margin-top: 10px;"></div>
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In any multiplication, the numbers that are multiplied are called **factors** and the result is called a **product**.

factor	×	factor	=	product
7		6		42

So, since  $6 \times 7 = 42$ , 6 and 7 are **factors** of 42.

From this multiplication fact we can write two divisions:  $42 \div 6 = 7$  and  $42 \div 7 = 6$ . So, this also means that 42 is divisible by both 6 and 7.

Yet one more new word that ties in with all of this: **multiple**.

We say **42 is a multiple of 6**, because 42 is some number times 6, namely  $7 \times 6$ .

And of course 42 is also a multiple of 7, because it is some number times 7!

3. Fill in.

Here's a multiplication fact:  $8 \times 9 = 72$ . So, 8 is a \_\_\_\_\_ of 72, and so is 9. Also, 72 is a \_\_\_\_\_ of 8, and also 72 is a \_\_\_\_\_ of 9. And, 72 is \_\_\_\_\_ by 8 and also by 9.

4. Fill in.

<p>a. Is 5 a factor of 55? Yes, because <math>\_\_\_ \times \_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_\_.</math></p>	<p>b. Is 8 a divisor of 45? No, because <math>\_\_\_ \div \_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_\_.</math></p>
<p>c. Is 36 a multiple of 6? <math>\_\_\_\_\_\_.</math>, because <math>\_\_\_ \times \_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_\_.</math></p>	<p>d. Is 34 a multiple of 7? <math>\_\_\_\_\_\_.</math>, because <math>\_\_\_ \div \_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_\_.</math></p>
<p>e. Is 7 a factor of 46? <math>\_\_\_\_\_\_.</math>, because <math>\_\_\_\_\_\_.</math></p>	<p>f. Is 63 a multiple of 9? <math>\_\_\_\_\_\_.</math>, because <math>\_\_\_\_\_\_.</math></p>

**Multiples of 6** are all those numbers we get when we multiply 6 by other numbers. For example, we can multiply  $0 \times 6$ ,  $7 \times 6$ ,  $11 \times 6$ ,  $109 \times 6$ , and so on, and the resulting numbers are all multiples of six.

In fact, the skip-counting pattern of 6 gives us a list of multiples of 6:  
0, 6, 12, 18, 24, 30, 36, 42, 48, 54, 60, 66, 72, 78, 84, and so on.

5. a. Make a list of multiples of 11, starting at 0 and at least till 154.

b. Make a list of multiples of 111, starting at 0. Make it as long as you can in this space!

**Divisibility by 2**

Numbers that are divisible by 2 are called **even** numbers.  
Numbers that are NOT divisible by 2 are called **odd** numbers.  
Even numbers end in 0, 2, 4, 6, or 8. Every second number is even.

**Divisibility by 5**

Numbers that end in 0 and 5 are divisible by 5.  
For example, 10, 35, 720, and 3675 are such numbers.

6. Mark with "x" if the numbers are divisible by 2 or 5.

number	divisible		number	divisible		number	divisible	
	by 2	by 5		by 2	by 5		by 2	by 5
750			755			760		
751			756			761		
752			757			762		
753			758			763		
754			759			764		

**Divisibility by 10**

Numbers that end in 0 are divisible by 10.  
For example, 10, 60, 340, and 2570 are such numbers.

7. Mark an "x" if the numbers are divisible by 2 or 5 or 10.

number	divisible			number	divisible			number	divisible		
	by 2	by 5	by 10		by 2	by 5	by 10		by 2	by 5	by 10
860				865				870			
861				866				871			
862				867				872			
863				868				873			
864				869				874			

If a number is divisible by 10, it ends in zero, so it is ALSO divisible by  $\_\_\_$  and  $\_\_\_$ .

8. a. Write a list of numbers divisible by 2, from 0 to 60.

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This is also a list of \_\_\_\_\_ of 2.

- b. In the list above, *underline* those numbers that are divisible by 4.  
What do you notice?
- c. In the list above, *color* those numbers that are divisible by 6.  
What do you notice?
- d. Which numbers are divisible by both 4 and 6?

9. a. Write a list of numbers divisible by 3, from 0 to 60.

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This is also a list of \_\_\_\_\_ of 3.

- b. In the list above, *underline* those numbers that are divisible by 6.  
What do you notice?
- c. In the list above, *color* those numbers that are divisible by 9.  
What do you notice?

10. Use the lists you made in (7) and (8). Find numbers that are divisible by *both* 2 and 9.

11. What number is a factor of every number?

12. Twenty is a multiple of 4. It is also a multiple of 5. It is also a multiple of four other numbers. Which ones?

<p><i>Who am I?</i> (Hint: I am less than 50.)</p> <p>Divided by 9, I leave a remainder of 6. Divided by 4, I leave a remainder of 1. Divided by 10, I leave a remainder of 3.</p>	<p><i>Who am I?</i> (Hint: I am less than 100.)</p> <p>I am a multiple of 3, 4, 5, and 6. I am a factor of 120. Divided by 7, I leave a remainder of 4.</p>
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