Lesson 13

Objective: Use multiplication, addition, or subtraction to solve multi-step word problems.

Suggested Lesson Structure

- Fluency Practice (12 minutes)
- Concept Development (35 minutes)
- Student Debrief (13 minutes)
- Total Time (60 minutes)

Fluency Practice (12 minutes)

- Sprint: Mental Multiplication  4.NBT.5  (9 minutes)
- Multiply Using the Standard Algorithm  4.NBT.4  (3 minutes)

Sprint: Mental Multiplication (9 minutes)

Materials: (S) Mental Multiplication Sprint

Note: This Sprint reinforces partial product multiplication strategies.

Multiply Using the Standard Algorithm (3 minutes)

Materials: (S) Personal white board

Note: This fluency activity reviews the Concept Development from Lessons 10 and 11.

T:  (Write 773 × 2.) On your personal white board, solve the expression using the standard algorithm. Repeat the process for the following possible sequence: 147 × 3, 1,605 × 3, and 5,741 × 5.

Concept Development (35 minutes)

Materials: (S) Problem Set

Note: For this lesson, the Problem Set comprises word problems from the Concept Development and is therefore to be used during the lesson itself.

Students may work in pairs to solve Problems 1–4 below using the RDW approach to problem solving.

NOTES ON MULTIPLE MEANS OF REPRESENTATION:

Depending on English language learners’ needs, it may be helpful to provide today’s Problem Set in students’ first language.
1. **Model the problem.**

Have two pairs of students who can be successful with modeling the problem work at the board while the others work independently or in pairs at their seats. Review the following questions before beginning the first problem.

- Can you draw something?
- What can you draw?
- What conclusions can you make from your drawing?

As students work, circulate. Reiterate the questions above.

After two minutes, have the two pairs of students share only their labeled diagrams.

For about one minute, have the demonstrating students receive and respond to feedback and questions from their peers.

2. **Calculate to solve and write a statement.**

Give everyone two minutes to finish work on that question, sharing work and thinking with a peer. All should then write their equations and statements of the answer.

3. **Assess the solution.**

Give students one to two minutes to assess the solutions presented by their peers on the board, comparing the solutions to their own work. Highlight alternative methods to reach the correct solution.

**Problem 1**

Over the summer, Kate earned $180 each week for 7 weeks. Of that money, she spent $375 on a new computer and $137 on new clothes. How much money did she have left?

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T x $180

$1260

\[\text{M} = \text{dollars left}\]
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This multi-step problem requires students to apply their knowledge of multiplication of a multi-digit number by a single-digit number. While most students may apply the multiplication algorithm, they should be encouraged to use whichever strategy they are most comfortable with to complete the multiplication. The sum of $375 and $137 may be found before subtracting it from Kate’s total salary, or the two amounts may be subtracted separately.
Problem 2

Sylvia weighed 8 pounds when she was born. By her first birthday, her weight had tripled. By her second birthday, she had gained 12 more pounds. At that time, Sylvia’s father weighed 5 times as much as she did. What was Sylvia and her dad’s combined weight?

In this problem, students need to compute Sylvia’s weight at two separate points in time. Some students may gravitate to calculations. Others may use tape diagrams or other models to represent the problem. Either is acceptable. Then, they may multiply Sylvia’s current weight by 6 to find her and her father’s combined weight.

Problem 3

Three boxes weighing 128 pounds each and one box weighing 254 pounds were loaded onto the back of an empty truck. A crate of apples was then loaded onto the same truck. If the total weight loaded onto the truck was 2,000 pounds, how much did the crate of apples weigh?

This multi-step problem may be modeled or simply solved using algorithms. Students need to recognize that 128 must be tripled before that total is added to 254. To arrive at the answer to the problem, this new sum must be subtracted from 2,000, requiring students to use a simplifying strategy or to regroup across multiple zeros (a skill they mastered in Module 1).
Problem 4

In one month, Charlie read 814 pages. In the same month, his mom read 4 times as many pages as Charlie, and that was 143 pages more than Charlie’s dad read. What was the total number of pages read by Charlie and his parents?

Solution A:

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\begin{align*}
814 \times 4 &= 3256 \\
3256 - 143 &= 3113 \\
3113 + 814 &= 3927 \\
\text{Total} &= 3927
\end{align*}
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Solution B:

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\begin{align*}
814 \times 8 &= 6512 \\
7326 - 143 &= 7183 \\
\text{Total} &= 7183
\end{align*}
\]

Charlie and his parents read 7,183 pages in one month.

In this multi-step problem, students may find that each calculation is dependent upon the following calculation. Encourage students to use simplifying strategies when solving, such as seeing in the model that there are 9 equal-size rectangles worth 814 pages, minus 143 pages.

Problem Set

Please note that the Problem Set for Lesson 13 comprises the problems from the Concept Development, as stated in the introduction.

Student Debrief (13 minutes)

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The Student Debrief is intended to invite reflection and active processing of the total lesson experience.

Invite students to review their solutions for the Problem Set. They should check work by comparing answers with a partner before going over answers as a class. Look for misconceptions or misunderstandings that can be addressed in the Debrief. Guide students in a conversation to debrief the Problem Set and process the lesson.
Any combination of the questions below may be used to lead the discussion.

- Explain to your partner how you solved Problem 1. If you used different strategies, discuss how you arrived at the same answer.
- Let’s look at how two different students modeled Problem 2. How are they similar? How are they different?
- Student A, in Problem 4, why did you multiply 814 by 9 and subtract 143? From the model, I only see 5 units of 814. (Also, draw out the alternate strategies from Problem 3.)
- Student B, would you present your solution? (Student presents.) Does anyone have comments or questions for Student B?
- How did you know what to do when you saw the word *tripled* in Problem 2?
- When might it be better to use multiplication rather than addition?
- What are the advantages of knowing several methods for solving a multiplication problem?

**Exit Ticket (3 minutes)**

After the Student Debrief, instruct students to complete the Exit Ticket. A review of their work will help with assessing students’ understanding of the concepts that were presented in today’s lesson and planning more effectively for future lessons. The questions may be read aloud to the students.
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**Mental Multiplication**

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Solve using the RDW process.

1. Michael earns $9 per hour. He works 28 hours each week. How much does he earn in 6 weeks?

2. David earns $8 per hour. He works 40 hours each week. How much does he earn in 6 weeks?

3. After 6 weeks, who earned more money? How much more money?
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3. All 3,000 seats in a theater are being replaced. So far, 5 sections of 136 seats and a sixth section containing 348 seats have been replaced. How many more seats do they still need to replace?

4. Computer Depot sold 762 reams of paper. Paper Palace sold 3 times as much paper as Computer Depot and 143 reams more than Office Supply Central. How many reams of paper were sold by all three stores combined?