

# Factors and Multiples

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- What are Factors?
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## What are Multiples?

**We say that "a" is a multiple of "b" when we can express "a" as a product of "b" and any integer**

$$a = kb, \text{ where } k \text{ is an integer}$$

Example 1: 6 is a multiple of 2 because we can express 6 as a product of 2 and an integer (3). ( $6 = 2 \times 3$ )

Example 2: "a number(n) is a multiple of 3".  
 $\Rightarrow n = 3 \times k$  (where k is an integer)

## What are Factors?

**We say that a number "a" is a factor of a number "b" when we can write "b" as a multiple of "a"**

$$b = ka, \text{ where } k \text{ is an integer}$$

Example 1: 2 is a factor of 6 because we can write 6 as a multiple of 2 i.e.  $6 = 2 \times 3$

Example 2: "a number(n) has 3 as one of its factor's".  
So, n is a multiple of 3.  
 $\Rightarrow n = 3 \times k$  (where k is an integer)

## How to find the number whose two factors are given.

**If a number has 2 and 3 as its factors then the number will be a multiple of LCM of these two factors**

$$n = \text{LCM}(2,3) \times k = 6k$$

## Relationship between divisor, factor and multiple

If  $n$  is divisible by 3 then

- ▣ 3 is a factor of  $n$
- ▣  $n$  is a multiple of 3
- ▣  $n$  can be written as,  $n = 3k$ , where  $k$  is an integer

Hope it helps!

Good Luck!