

Factors and Multiples

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Following is covered in the video

- What are Multiples?
- What are Factors?
- How to find the number whose two factors are given.
- Relationship between divisor, factor and multiple

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".

$$\Rightarrow n = 3 \times k \text{ (where } k \text{ is an integer)}$$

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.

$$\Rightarrow n = 3 \times k \text{ (where } k \text{ is an integer)}$$

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!