## Mathelpers

## Prime and Composite Numbers

A prime number has exactly two factors, I and the number itself. A composite number has more than two factors.

Make arrays to find the factors.

## Examples:

Write prime or composite for each number.
D) $\underline{7}$

List the factors.
The factors of 7 are 1 and 7 .
Make all the arrays you can with 7 square tiles.
$1 \times 7$


Irow of 7 tiles

7×|
7 rows of I tile each


2 factors, $I$ and 7 , it is prime.

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2) 15

Make all the arrays you can with 15 square tiles

|5×|
I5 rows of I tile each

$3 \times 5$
3 rows of 5 tiles

15

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|×15
I row of 15 tile

$5 \times 3$
5 rows of 3 tiles

List the factors.
The factors of 15 are $I, 3,5$, and 15 .
Since 15 only has more than 2 factors, $1,3,5$, and 15 , it is composite.

## Examples:

A- Write prime or composite for each number.
I) 26

Factors of 26 are: $1,2,13,26$
26 has more than two factors
26 is a composite number
2) 13

Factors of 13 are: 1,13
13 has two factors only
13 is a prime number
3) 35

Factors of 35 are: $1,5,7,35$
35 has more than two factors
35 is a composite number

