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Distributive Property of Multiplication Guided Lesson Explanation

1. If we look at the starting bag, we see 20 balls in 4 columns and 5 rows (4×5) .

 $4 \times 5 = 4 (2 + 3) = (4 \times 2) + (4 \times 3)$

Rewritten as (Using the distributive property)

We can redraw this as Bag A (bigger) getting 3 rows of 4 balls and Bag B (smaller) getting 2 rows of 4 balls.



2. These problems should follow the distributive property.

$$\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{B}+\mathbf{C}) = (\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B}) + (\mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{C})$$

- a) $2(4+9) = (_x 4) + (_x 9)$
 - $A(B+C) = (2 \times 4) + (2 \times 9)$
- b) 8 $(3 + _) = (8 \times 3) + (_ \times 7)$
 - $A(B+C) = (A \times B) + (A \times C)$
 - $8(3 + 7) = (8 \times 3) + (8 \times 7)$

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