Student Worksheet 2 TI-15 Explorer™: Fractions



Name:

1. Complete this table and look for a method that will help you get to the answer without either a diagram or a calculator (if you know your tables!)

First fraction	Second fraction	Answer to first × second	Simplified fraction if possible
<u>1</u> 3	<u>3</u>		
$\frac{1}{4}$	<u>2</u> 3		
<u>2</u> 3	<u>1</u> 5		
<u>1</u> 5	<u>2</u> 3		

Did you notice that a quick way to do this is to simply multiply the numerators (top lines) and multiply the denominators (bottom lines). Sometimes the fraction can be written in a simpler form.

Predict the answers to the following questions and check on the calculator. Remember some may be able to be simplified.

i)
$$\frac{3}{4} \times \frac{1}{5} =$$

ii)
$$\frac{2}{3} \times \frac{5}{8} =$$

iii)
$$\frac{3}{8} \times \frac{4}{5} =$$

iv)
$$\frac{3}{4} \times 8 =$$
 (Hint: remember 8 is $\frac{8}{1}$)

$$(\frac{2}{3})^2 =$$
