

## Math extra examples

Some extra examples, if you are having any trouble:

In Scalar Values:

$$10 \times 10 = 100$$

$$10 \times 100 = 1\,000$$

$$10 \times 1\,000 = 10\,000$$

$$10 \times 10\,000 = 100\,000$$

and so on.

In Scientific Notation:

$$10^1 \times 10^1 = 10^2 = 100$$

$$10^1 \times 10^2 = 10^3 = 1\,000$$

$$10^1 \times 10^3 = 10^4 = 10\,000$$

$$10^1 \times 10^4 = 10^5 = 100\,000$$

You can see that

$$100 \times 1\,000 = 10 \times \underline{10 \times 1\,000} = 10 \times \underline{10\,000} = 100\,000 \quad \text{OR} \quad 10^2 \times 10^3 = 10^5$$

To answer the question, *What is the value of  $2000 \times 300$ ?*

There are several possible common **incorrect** answers including  
60 000 or 6 000 000

To get to the correct answer, make separate pieces of the problem:

$$2\,000 = 2 \times 1\,000 \quad \text{and} \quad 300 = 3 \times 100$$

This gives

$$\begin{aligned} 2\,000 \times 300 &= (2 \times 1\,000) \times (3 \times 100) \\ &= 2 \times 1\,000 \times 3 \times 100 \end{aligned}$$

Since the order of multiplication does not matter,  
the original problem can be rewritten as:

$$\begin{aligned} 2\,000 \times 300 &= 2 \times 3 \times 1\,000 \times 100 \\ &= (2 \times 3) \times (1\,000 \times 100) \\ &= 6 \times 100\,000 \\ &= 600\,000 \end{aligned}$$

OR in  $10^x$  notation, the same problem would be written:

$$(2.0 \times 10^3) \times (3.0 \times 10^2) = (2 \times 3) \times (10^3 \times 10^2) = 6 \times 10^5$$

Remember, in multiplying powers of ten, simply add the exponents,  
which is  $(3 + 2 = 5)$  for this problem

$$10^2 \times 10^3 = 10^{2+3} = 10^5 = 10 \times 10 \times 10 \times 10 \times 10 = 100\,000$$

When dividing powers of ten, subtract the exponents:

$$10^6 \div 10^3 = 10^{6-3} = 10^3 = 10 \times 10 \times 10 = 1\,000$$

To express 56,000 in scientific notation:

extract the scalar value = (56),

and place the decimal point so there is one numeral in the ones place = (5.6)

extract the multiples of ten = (10,000), and convert to  $10^x$  (10,000 =  $10^5$ )

So, 56,000 is equivalent to  $5.6 \times 10^5$

10,000 has 4 zeros; therefore, 3 zeros have to be placed to the right of the number, '5.6',  
in order to move the correct number of decimal places.

$$5.6 \times (10,000) = 56,000$$

$$\text{Divide: } 5.6 \div 10,000$$

3 zeros have to be placed to the left of the number, '5.6', in order to move the correct number of decimal places.

$$5.6 \div 10,000 = 0.00056$$

$$3.828 \times 100 = 382.8$$

$$382.8 \div 1000 = 0.3828$$