

Lesson 6-12

Reinforce Understanding

Least Common Multiple

I can find the least common multiple (LCM) of two numbers by listing or comparing their multiples.

Worked model

I want the LCM of 4 and 6. I skip count the multiples of 4: 4, 8, 12, 16, 20, 24.

1. Then I skip count the multiples of 6: 6, 12, 18, 24.
2. I look for the first number in BOTH lists. 12 is in both lists, and it comes before 24.
3. So the LCM of 4 and 6 is 12. I check: $12 \div 4 = 3$ and $12 \div 6 = 2$, so both go into 12 evenly.

Practice

Complete each exercise. Show the reasoning that supports your answer.

1. Find the LCM of 5 and 6 on the number line

Mark and label each value on the number line.

Show your thinking

2. What is the LCM of 3 and 5?

Circle the letter of the best answer. Show how you know.

- A. 3
- B. 5
- C. 15
- D. 30

Show your work

3. What is the LCM of 6 and 8?

Circle the letter of the best answer. Show how you know.

- A. 6
- B. 14
- C. 24
- D. 48

Show your work
