

## Lesson 3.8 Multiplying Decimals Using Rules

When multiplying decimals, count the number of decimal places in each factor to figure out the placement of the decimal point in the product.

$$\begin{array}{r} 3 \\ \times 5 \\ \hline 15 \end{array}$$

0 decimal places

$$\begin{array}{r} 0.\underline{3} \\ \times 5 \\ \hline 1.5 \end{array}$$

1 decimal place

$$\begin{array}{r} 0.\underline{3} \\ \times 0.\underline{5} \\ \hline 0.15 \end{array}$$

2 decimal places

$$\begin{array}{r} 0.\underline{3} \\ \times 0.\underline{05} \\ \hline 0.015 \end{array}$$

3 decimal places

How many decimal places will be in the product of the following multiplication problems?

**a**

**1.**  $3.25 \times 4.2$

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**b**

$6.3 \times 9.8$

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**c**

$5.6 \times 8.2$

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**2.**  $5.3 \times 7$

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$9.35 \times 8.43$

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$2.8 \times 7.46$

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Multiply to find the answer. Underline the decimal places in the factors and in the product.

**a**

**3.**  $\begin{array}{r} 5.\underline{44} \\ \times 901.\underline{02} \\ \hline \end{array}$

**b**

$\begin{array}{r} 25.\underline{9} \\ \times 47.\underline{6} \\ \hline \end{array}$

**c**

$\begin{array}{r} 291.\underline{23} \\ \times 4.\underline{34} \\ \hline \end{array}$

**d**

$\begin{array}{r} 3.\underline{08} \\ \times 608.\underline{8} \\ \hline \end{array}$

**4.**  $\begin{array}{r} 908.\underline{01} \\ \times 4.\underline{11} \\ \hline \end{array}$

$\begin{array}{r} 92.\underline{5} \\ \times 50.\underline{7} \\ \hline \end{array}$

$\begin{array}{r} 901.\underline{3} \\ \times 8.\underline{2} \\ \hline \end{array}$

$\begin{array}{r} 11.\underline{4} \\ \times 22.\underline{4} \\ \hline \end{array}$