

For the set  $G = \{1, 2, \dots, 12\}$  define a binary operation  $*$  :  $G \times G \rightarrow G$  that maps an ordered pair  $(a, b) \mapsto a * b$  according to the following table.

	$b = 1$	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
$a = 1$	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
2	2	1	4	3	7	8	5	6	12	11	10	9
3	3	4	1	2	8	7	6	5	10	9	12	11
4	4	3	2	1	6	5	8	7	11	12	9	10
5	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4
6	6	5	8	7	11	12	9	10	4	3	2	1
7	7	8	5	6	12	11	10	9	2	1	4	3
8	8	7	6	5	10	9	12	11	3	4	1	2
9	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
10	10	9	12	11	3	4	1	2	8	7	6	5
11	11	12	9	10	4	3	2	1	6	5	8	7
12	12	11	10	9	2	1	4	3	7	8	5	6

1. Collect all pairs  $(a, b)$  with  $a * b = 7$ .
- 2.. Compute each of the following. What do you observe?

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 (2 * 3) * 7 & (7 * 2) * 3 & (3 * 7) * 2 \\
 7 * (2 * 3) & 3 * (7 * 2) & 2 * (3 * 7)
 \end{array}$$

3. Find a subset  $H \subset G$  of size four such that  $a * b \in H$  for all  $a, b \in H$ .
4. Find all subsets  $H \subset G$  of size three such that  $a * b \in H$  for all  $a, b \in H$ .
5. For  $a \in G$  define  $\ell_a : G \rightarrow G$  as the function  $\ell_a(x) = a * x$ .  
Determine the composition  $\ell_4 \circ \ell_5 : G \rightarrow G$ .
6. For  $b \in G$  define  $r_b : G \rightarrow G$  as the function  $r_b(x) = x * b$ .  
Determine the composition  $r_4 \circ r_5 : G \rightarrow G$ .