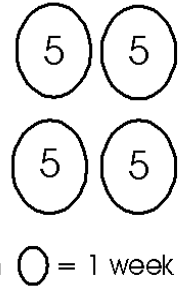



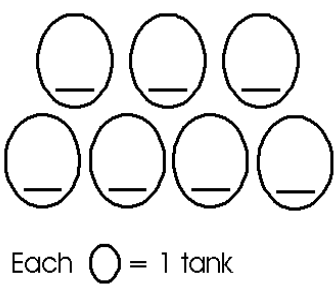

# 4-Square Problem Solver

Directions: Solving Multiplication word problems is simple when you follow these four steps:  
**READ, DRAW, WRITE, RECORD!**


Sample:

<p><b>READ the problem:</b> Factuary Al played golf five times a week during the month of February. How many times did he play golf?</p>	<p><b>DRAW a picture:</b></p>  <p>Each  = 1 week</p>
<p><b>RECORD the solution:</b></p> <p>Factuary Al played golf 20 times during the month of February.</p>	<p><b>WRITE an equation:</b></p> <p>Think: How many groups? <u>4</u> How many "things" in each group? <u>5</u></p> <p><math>4 \times 5 = \boxed{20}</math></p>


Practice 1:

<p><b>READ the problem:</b> Alex went to the pet store. There were 7 fish tanks and each one was home to 5 fish. How many fish were at the pet store?</p>	<p><b>DRAW a picture:</b></p>  <p>Each  = 1 tank</p>
<p><b>RECORD the solution:</b></p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p><b>WRITE an equation:</b></p> <p>Think: How many groups? ____ How many "things" in each group? ____</p> <p>__ X __ = <input type="text"/></p>

Practice 3:

<p><b>READ the problem:</b> PE class begins with a 5-minute run. If Amanda's class went to PE every day last week, how many total minutes did she and her classmates run?</p>	<p><b>DRAW a picture:</b></p> <p>Each  = _____</p>
<p><b>RECORD the solution:</b></p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p><b>WRITE an equation:</b></p> <p>Think: How many groups? ____ How many "things" in each group? ____</p> <p>__ X __ = <input type="text"/></p>

Practice 2:

<p><b>READ the problem:</b> Xaviar checked out 5 books by his favorite author. Each book has 9 chapters. How many chapters are there in all?</p>	<p><b>DRAW a picture:</b></p> <p>Each  = 1 book</p>
<p><b>RECORD the solution:</b></p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p><b>WRITE an equation:</b></p> <p>Think: How many groups? ____ How many "things" in each group? ____</p> <p>__ X __ = <input type="text"/></p>