LESSON 2-7

Using Multiplication Patterns



Find information about **Powers of 10** on page 5 of your *Student Reference Book*. Study the example below. Then try to use the same strategy to solve Problems 1 and 2.

$$20 * 300 = (2 * 10) * (3 * 100)$$

Write each factor in expanded form.

Remove the parentheses.

$$= 2 * 3 * 10 * 100$$

Use the Commutative Property so that the

$$= (2 * 3) * (10 * 100)$$

Multiply the basic fact, and multiply the

$$= 6 * 1,000$$

Multiply the partial products.

$$= 6,000$$

Solve the problems. Show your work.

3. Explain why you think counting zeros works in solving multiplication problems involving powers of 10.

 Use what you know about counting zeros in multiplication to help you figure out the missing numbers below.

5. On the back of this page, write two problems of your own that can be solved by counting zeros.