Key Concept and Vocabulary -

Commutative Property

$$1 + 3 = 3 + 1 \qquad (Addition)$$

$$2 + (3 + 5) = (2 + 3) + 5$$
 (Addition)

Associative Property

Commutative Property

$$2 \cdot 5 = 5 \cdot 2$$

(Multiplication)

$$2 \cdot (3 \cdot 5) = (2 \cdot 3) \cdot 5$$
 (Multiplication)

Associative Property



Skill Examples

1.
$$3+6=6+3$$

2.
$$15 + (5 + 3) = (15 + 5) + 3$$

3.
$$4 \cdot 6 = 6 \cdot 4$$

4.
$$2 \cdot (3 \cdot 5) = (2 \cdot 3) \cdot 5$$

Application Example

5. Use the above properties and mental math to find the sum: 97 + 28 + 3 + 2.

$$97 + 28 + 3 + 2 = (97 + 3) + (28 + 2)$$

= $100 + 30$
= 130

• The sum is 130.

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Identify the property. Then find the sum or product.

7.
$$10 \cdot 4 = 4 \cdot 10$$

8.
$$5 \cdot (4 \cdot 2) = (5 \cdot 4) \cdot 2$$

9.
$$2 + (3 + 5) = (2 + 3) + 5$$

10.
$$2+3+4=2+4+3$$
 11. $5 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 = 2 \cdot 5 \cdot 3$

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Show how you can use the Commutative and Associative Properties to find the sum or product using mental math.

16. COMMUTATIVITY Describe two real-life activities that are *not* commutative. In other words, you get different results if you switch the order in which the activities are performed.