# Problem Solving: Draw a Picture and Write an Equation

A hardware store ordered 9 packs of screws from a supplier. Each pack contains 150 screws. How many screws did the store order?

### **Read and Understand**

What do you know?

The store ordered nine packs of screws.

Each pack contained 150 screws.

What are you trying to find?

The total number of screws ordered

#### Plan and Solve

Draw a picture of what you know.

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Write an equation.

Let x = the total number of screws.

$$9 \times 150 = x$$

Multiply.

The store ordered 1,350 screws.

### **Look Back and Check**

Is your answer reasonable?

Yes, 
$$150 \times 10 = 1,500$$
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A state aquarium has display tanks that each contains 75 fish. Three of these tanks are at the entrance. How many fish are on display at the entrance?

Draw a picture. Write an equation. Solve.







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Draw a picture and write an equation. Then solve.

- 1. When Mary was born, she weighed 8 pounds. When she was 10 years old, she weighed 10 times as much. How much did she weigh when she was 10 years old?
- 2. Sandi is 13 years old. Karla is 3 times Sandi's age. How old is Karla?
- 3. Hwong can fit 12 packets of coffee in a small box and 50 packets of coffee in a large box. Hwong has 10 small boxes and would like to reorganize them into large boxes. Which boxes should he use? Explain.

- **4.** Daniel has 12 tennis balls. Manuel has twice as many tennis balls as Daniel. Kendra has twice as many balls as Manuel. How many tennis balls do they have in all?
  - **A** 24
- **B** 36
- **C** 84
- **D** 96
- **5.** William travels only on Saturdays and Sundays and has flown 400 miles this month. Jason travels every weekday and has flown 500 miles this month. Who travels more miles *per day* for this month? Explain.