Graph and Analyze Relationships

I Can use the strategy solve a simpler problem to help solve a problem with patterns.

Florida's B.E.S.T.

- Algebraic Reasoning 5.AR.3.1, 5.AR.3.2
- Mathematical Thinking & Reasoning MTR.1.1, MTR.2.1, MTR.3.1, MTR.4.1, MTR.5.1, MTR.6.1, MTR.7.1



UNLOCK the Problem

On an archaeological dig, Gabriel separates his dig site into sections with areas of 15 square feet each. There are 3 archaeological members digging in every section. What is the area of the dig site if 21 members are digging at one time?



Read the Problem

What do I need to find?

I need to find the

What information do I need to use?

I can use the area of each section, which is

_____, that

there are _____ members in each section, and that there are 21 members digging.

How will I use the information?

I will use the information to search for patterns to solve

a _____ problem.

Solve the Problem

Add 3.

Add 15.

Sections	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Number of members	3	6	9	12	15	18	21
Area (in square feet)	15	30	45	60	75	90	

Multiply by _____

So, the area of the dig site if 21 members

are digging is _____ square feet.

Possible Rules:

- Multiply the number of sections by _____ to find the number of members.
- Multiply the number of

members by ______ to find the total area. Complete the table.

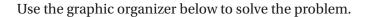


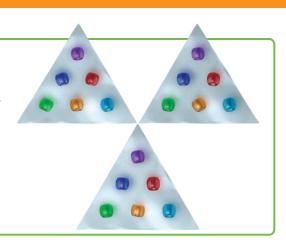
MTR Engage in discussions on 4.1 mathematical thinking.

Explain how you can use division to find the number of members if you know the dig site area is 135 square feet.

Try Another Problem

Mercy is making a design with triangles and beads for a costume. In the design, each pattern unit adds 3 triangles and 18 beads. Mercy uses 72 triangles in his design. How many beads does Mercy use?





Read the Problem					
What do I need to find?	What information do I need to use?	How will I use the information?			

Solve the Problem

So, Mercy uses _____ beads.

What rule could you use to find an unknown number of beads if you know the related number of triangles?