### **Illustrative Mathematics**

## 5.NF Comparing a Number and a Product

# Alignments to Content Standards

• Alignment: 5.NF.B.5

# Tags

• This task is not yet tagged.

Decide which number is greater without multiplying.

a. 
$$817 \text{ or } 235 \times 817$$

b. 99 or 
$$\frac{1}{4} \times 99$$

c. 
$$\frac{51}{100}$$
 or  $\frac{51}{100} \times 301$ 

d. 
$$\frac{13}{90}$$
 or  $\frac{2}{3} \times \frac{13}{90}$ 

e. 
$$\frac{101}{102}$$
 or  $\frac{101}{102} \times \frac{101}{102}$ 

f. 
$$\frac{99}{5}$$
 or  $\frac{99}{5} \times \frac{1}{2}$ 

g. 
$$\frac{8}{21} \times 40 \text{ or } \frac{28}{21} \times 40$$

h. 
$$\frac{8}{3} \times \frac{5}{7}$$
 or  $\frac{8}{3} \times \frac{9}{4}$ 

## Commentary

The purpose of this task is for students to compare a number and its product with other numbers that are greater than and less than one. As written, this task could be used in a summative assessment context, but it might be more useful in an instructional setting where students are asked to explain their answers either to a partner or in a whole class discussion.

#### Solutions

Solution: Answers

- a.  $235 \times 817$
- b. 99
- c.  $\frac{51}{100} \times 301$
- e.  $\frac{101}{102}$
- g.  $\frac{28}{21} \times 40$
- h.  $\frac{8}{3} \times \frac{9}{4}$