Multiplication or Multiplication?

Focus: To recognise that multiplication can be done in any order.

Write the other order you could work out each multiplication sum underneath the one written.

1.
$$3 \times 5 =$$

$$3 \times 5 = 2$$
. $5 \times 4 = 3$. $5 \times 9 =$

3.
$$5 \times 9 =$$

6.
$$9 \times 2 =$$

8.
$$3 \times 11 =$$

$$9 \times 10 = 8. \quad 3 \times 11 = 9. \quad 10 \times 6 =$$

10.
$$5 \times 4 =$$

11.
$$7 \times 3 =$$

10.
$$5 \times 4 =$$
 11. $7 \times 3 =$ 12. $4 \times 8 =$

Why is it sometimes easier to do the sum in the other order?

Can you write down an example of a multiplication sum which would be easier to change the order of?