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G4 OK, so what if I gave you eighty-four for X?

James Huh?

G4 What if I gave you eighty-four for X?

Ariel Let's see. [pointing his finger to G4] I got that on lock down.

[Ariel starts extending the table writing 26 in the X column and then

stops.]

Ariel Wait a minute. You said eighty-four, right? That's easy.

[James writes in his paper:

84 ×3

252 + 1 = 253

Ariel Two fifty three.

G4 [to James] What do you think? James Two fifty three for what?

Ariel I used my rule. James Eighty-four?

Ariel I just used my rule. Eighty-four times three is two hundred and fifty-two

plus one is two hundred and fifty-three.

G4 [to James] What do you think?

James [turning his head towards G4] Eighty-four? Why eighty-four?

G4 I don't know. I picked up any number. James Stop giving us these big numbers.

Ariel [laughs]

James What if I give a thousand two hundred and fifty?

G4 A thousand two hundred and fifty?

James [shaking his head] I don't. I don't want to do that. I don't want to do

that.

Ariel [starts writing in his paper and mumbles]

[Ariel has written in his paper:

1,250

<u>× 3</u>

3,750 + 1

3,751]

Ariel Three thousand seven hundred and fifty-one.

My goodness, what do you think about this James?

James What?

Ariel One two fifty times three is three seven fifty plus one is three seven fifty

one.

Ariel [pointing something in his paper to G4 who is coming around to his

side] I know that there is some pattern... between this one and this one. I

don't know how to say it.

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G4	Between which one and which one?
Ariel	I know twenty-five times three is seventy-five, there is something out
	there, I just don't know how to explain it.
G4	What about twenty-five?
Ariel	It is seventy-six. I forgot to write down. [writes something in the paper]
G4	Alright, so what are you noticing with the numbers?
Ariel	Huh?
G4	What are you noticing with the numbers?
Ariel	I just noticed that twenty-five times three is seventy-five that's how I
	solved this real quick.
G4	Do you think there is anything that is same with what you are doing and
	what James came up with?
Ariel	Uh, uh, ahhh, I don't know. Oh, wait a minute. Uh, hmm, maybe. I don't
	know. Because I'm adding three, that's an odd number, he is adding odd
	numbers, so might be the same. [shrugs]
G4	So might be the same.
Ariel	I'm doing odd and he is doing odds, so [shrugs again] same thing.
G4	So odd numbers are the common [stops talking and steps back and
	waves to someone in the background]
Ariel	[to G4] Have you guys got more problems?
G4	I think you should make up your own.

that maybe we could give it to the rest of the class?

[bending a little towards Ariel] would you like to make up your own so