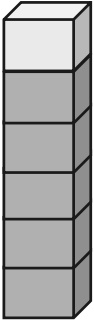Name _____   Date _____
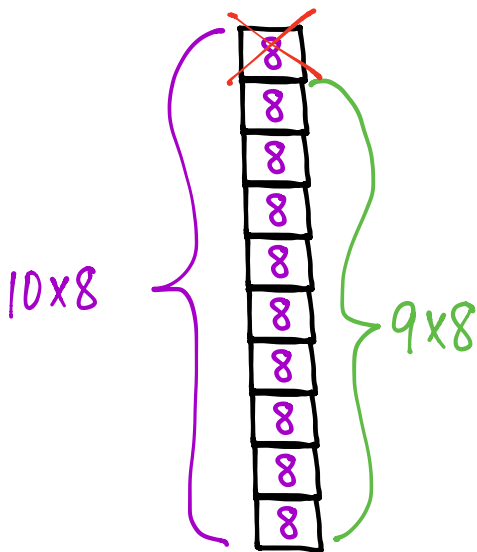
1. Each ⬛ has a value of **9**. Complete the equations to find the total value of the tower of blocks.

$$\underline{6} \times 9 = (5 + \underline{1}) \times 9$$
$$= (5 \times \underline{9}) + (\underline{1} \times \underline{9})$$
$$= 45 + \underline{9}$$
$$= \underline{54}$$

2. Hector solves 9 × 8 by subtracting 1 eight from 10 eights. Draw a model, and explain Hector's strategy.

$$9 \times 8 = 10 \times 8 - 1 \times 8$$
$$= 80 - 8$$
$$= 72$$

10×8

9×8

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9 groups of 8 is equal to 10 groups of 8 minus 1 group of 8.