Lesson 4-1

Example 1 Identify Numbers as Prime or Composite Determine whether 32 is *prime* or *composite*.

The number 32 has six factors: 1, 2, 4, 8, 16, and 32. So, it is composite.

## Example 2 Identify Numbers as Prime or Composite Determine whether 19 is *prime* or *composite*.

The number 19 has only two factors, 1 and 19, so it is prime.

## **Example 3 Find the Prime Factorization Find the prime factorization of 18.**

Use a factor tree.



The prime factorization of 18 is  $3 \times 3 \times 2$  or  $2 \times 3^2$ .

**Example 4 Factor an Algebraic Expression ALGEBRA Factor 8x^2y.** 



 $8x^2y = 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot x \cdot x \cdot y$