## Prime or Composite?

Materials: square tiles, grid paper


1. Work with a partner. Use square tiles to make all possible rectangular arrays for the numbers $2-25$. Draw the arrays on grid paper and record the factor pairs.
2. Record your data in a table with the following headings:

| Number | Factor <br> Pairs | Factors | Prime or <br> Composite? |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- |
| 2 | $1 \times 2$ | 1,2 |  |
| 3 |  |  |  |

3. Describe any patterns that you notice in the factors and rectangular arrays.
4. Suppose you were to continue looking at factors of numbers beyond 25 . Predict the next two numbers that will have at least 3 factors. Explain your reasoning.
