Principles of Prime and Composite Numbers

- 1. True or False: In Eratosthenes' sieve there is no need to cross out multiples of composite numbers. Explain your reasoning.
- 2. The numbers from 2-1000:
 - A. In a listing of the numbers from 2 1000, how many numbers are crossed out in step 1 (crossing out all of the multiples of 2 that are greater than 2)?
 - B. How many new numbers are crossed in step 2 (crossing out all of the multiples of 3 that are greater than 3)? Explain your reasoning.
- 3. Finding greatest number of factors:
 - A. For numbers less than 50, which number has the most factors in its prime factorization?
 - B. Is there more than one answer?
 - C. What would be the next number with the same amount of factors in its prime factorization?