The **Commutative Property** states that no matter what order we place numbers in an addition sentence or multiplication sentence the answer will be the same.

$$2 + 5 + 7 = 14 \quad \text{also} \quad 2 + (5 + 7) = 14$$
$$(2 \times 5) \times 7 = 70 \qquad 2 \times (5 \times 7) = 70$$

Finish each math sentence.

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