Sample assessment item from MTQ 1

2a) What is the answer to $8 \times 7$? ____________
   
b) What do the eight and seven tell you?
   
c) Make up a word problem or story problem about $8 \times 7$

Some sample responses from children in Year Five

1a) $8 \times 7 = 56$
   
b) What do the eight and seven in the unfinished number sentence tell you?
   
   I used my fingers to answer the problem

   c) Write a story (a story problem or a word problem) to go with $8 \times 7$
   
   I don’t know how because I just used my fingers

1a) $8 \times 7 = 56$
   
b) What do the eight and seven in the unfinished number sentence tell you?
   
   I don’t know?

   c) Write a story (a story problem or a word problem) to go with $8 \times 7$
   
   There are 7 classes with 8 kids in each class. How many kids altogether?
1a) $8 \times 7 = 56$

b) What do the eight and seven in the expression tell you?
   
   They are two factors which make the product 56.

c) Write a story (a story problem or a word problem) to go with 8x7
   
   Jill had 2 x 8 sweets. Tom had 2 x 7 sweets. They added the mumps together and they got 56.