1. Warm up: For each of the following words, find the number of unique strings that can be formed from its letters.

(a) country (b) brittle (c) popping (d) crevice (e) mississippi

Summary of Theory in Combinatorics and Probability

Product Rule. If you can take the first step in a different ways, and the second step in b different ways (for any first step), then both steps together can be completed in $a \cdot b$ different ways.

1 2 3 B	
A (x,1) (x,2) (x,3)	
y (y,1) (y,2) (y,3) -A×B	
z (z,1) (z,2) (z,3)	Let $A = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$ be the alphabet of all digits and $B = \{0, 2, 4, 6, 8\}$ be the alphabet of even digits, it is possible to make $10 \cdot 5 = 50$ 2-letter words with the first letter in A , and the second letter in B