

Exponents and Logarithms - It's the LAW

THEOREM 1 Laws of Exponents ($b > 0$)

| | Rule | Example |
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| Exponent zero | $b^0 = 1$ | |
| Products | $b^x b^y = b^{x+y}$ | $2^5 \cdot 2^3 = 2^{5+3} = 2^8$ |
| Quotients | $\frac{b^x}{b^y} = b^{x-y}$ | $\frac{4^7}{4^2} = 4^{7-2} = 4^5$ |
| Negative exponents | $b^{-x} = \frac{1}{b^x}$ | $3^{-4} = \frac{1}{3^4} = \frac{1}{81}$ |
| Power to a power | $(b^x)^y = b^{xy}$ | $(3^2)^4 = 3^{2(4)} = 3^8$ |
| Roots | $b^{1/n} = \sqrt[n]{b}$ | $5^{1/2} = \sqrt{5}$ |

Laws of Logarithms

| | Law | Example |
|-------------------|--|--|
| Log of 1 | $\log_b(1) = 0$ | |
| Log of b | $\log_b(b) = 1$ | |
| Products | $\log_b(xy) = \log_b x + \log_b y$ | $\log_5(2 \cdot 3) = \log_5 2 + \log_5 3$ |
| Quotients | $\log_b\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) = \log_b x - \log_b y$ | $\log_2\left(\frac{3}{7}\right) = \log_2 3 - \log_2 7$ |
| Reciprocals | $\log_b\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = -\log_b x$ | $\log_2 \frac{1}{7} = -\log_2 7$ |
| Powers (any n) | $\log_b(x^n) = n \log_b x$ | $\log_{10}(8^2) = 2 \cdot \log_{10} 8$ |

Guided Notes:

1) Who invented logarithms?

2) Exponents and logarithms are the _____ of each other.

3) You can graph exponents and logarithms by: _____
_____.

4) The common log is defined as _____.

5) The natural log is defined as _____.

6) $\log_b 1$ is always equal to _____.

7) $\log \frac{m}{N^2} =$

8) $\log 8 + \log 5 - \log 4 =$

9) $5(\log_b A + \log_b B) - 2\log_b C =$

10) a) $\ln e^4 =$

b) $\ln \frac{1}{e^3} =$

c) $\ln \sqrt[3]{e} =$

d) $\ln 1 =$

12) a) $\ln y - \ln x = 2 \ln 7$

b) $\ln y = 2 \ln x - \ln 4$

13) a) $\log_6(x + 1) + \log_6 x = 1$

b) $\log_3 x + \log_3(x - 2) = 1$

14) a) $\ln(x - 4) + \ln 3 \leq 0$

b) $\log(5 - x) - \log 7 > 0$

15) a) $\log_6 40 =$

b) $\log_6 3 =$