

# NOTES & HOMEWORK

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## Multiplication & Division Properties of Exponents

Using what you know about multiplying exponents complete the following:

1.  $5^3 \cdot 4^4 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

2.  $3^2 \cdot 3^5 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

3.  $1.2^3 \cdot 1.2^3 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

4.  $7^3 \cdot 7^2 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

### Multiplying Powers with the Same Base:

For any nonzero number  $a$  and any integers  $m$  and  $n$ ,  $a^m \cdot a^n = a^{m+n}$

Example:  $3^5 \cdot 3^4 = 3^{5+4} = 3^9$

Simplify each expression:

a.)  $c^4 \cdot d^3 \cdot c^2$

b.)  $5x \cdot 2y^4 \cdot 3x^8$

$= c^4 \cdot c^2 \cdot d^3$

← Rearrange factors. →

$= (5 \cdot 2 \cdot 3) (x \cdot x^8) (y^4)$

Multiply coefficients. → \_\_\_\_\_

← Add exponents of →  
powers with the same base.

Try this:

Simplify each expression:

1.)  $a \cdot b^2 \cdot a^5 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

2.)  $6x^2 \cdot 3y^3 \cdot 2y^4 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

3.)  $m^2 \cdot n^2 \cdot 7m =$  \_\_\_\_\_

## Division Properties of Exponents

You can use repeated multiplication to simplify fractions. Expand the numerator and denominator using repeated multiplication. Then cancel like terms.

$$\frac{5^6}{5^2} = \frac{5 \cdot 5 \cdot 5 \cdot 5 \cdot 5 \cdot 5}{5 \cdot 5} = 5^4$$

Simplify each expression by expanding the numerator and the denominator and then canceling like terms.

1.)  $\frac{5^7}{5^3} =$

2.)  $\frac{5^{12}}{5^8} =$

3.)  $\frac{5^5}{5^1} =$

Dividing Powers with the Same Base:

For any nonzero number  $a$  and any integers  $m$  and  $n$ ,  $\frac{a^m}{a^n} = a^{m-n}$

Example:  $\frac{3^7}{3^2} = 3^{7-2} = 3^5$

Simplify each expression. Use only positive exponents.

a.)  $\frac{a^6}{a^{14}} = a^{6-14} \leftarrow \text{Subtract exponents when dividing powers with the same base.}$

$$= a^{-8}$$

$$= \frac{1}{a^8} \leftarrow \text{Rewrite using positive exponents.}$$

b.)  $\frac{c^{-1}d^3}{c^5d^{-4}} = c^{-1-5} \cdot d^{3-(-4)} \leftarrow \text{Subtract exponents.}$

$$= c^{-6}d^7$$

$$= \frac{d^7}{c^6} \leftarrow \text{Use positive exponents.}$$

Simplify each expression. Use positive exponents.

1.)  $\frac{b^4}{b^5} =$

2.)  $\frac{a^2b}{a^4b^3} =$

1. Rewrite each expression with a single exponent.

a.  $4^3 \cdot 4^4$

b.  $(-3)^5 \cdot (-3)^2$

c.  $(-2)^8(-2)^7$

d.  $(8^6)(8^3)$

e.  $x^9 \cdot x^4$

f.  $n^{10} \cdot n^{12}$

g.  $(-5)^3(-5)^7$

h.  $a^p \cdot a^q$

i.  $7^3 \cdot 7^5$

2. Rewrite each expression with a single exponent.

a.  $(4^5)^5$

b.  $(8^2)^7$

c.  $(x^9)^4$

d.  $(y^3)^{10}$

e.  $(5^3)^7$

f.  $[(-3)^3]^2$

g.  $(z^8)^2$

h.  $(10^9)^3$

i.  $(0.5^2)^5$

j.  $(100^3)^8$

k.  $[(-6)^5]^4$

l.  $(t^7)^2$

3. Use the properties of exponents to rewrite each expression.

a.  $4x \cdot 3x$

b.  $(6m)(2m^2)$

c.  $(-5n^2)(4n^4)$

d.  $xy^2 \cdot x^2y^4$

e.  $8s^5w^6 \cdot 5s^2w^3$

f.  $-9m^4n^7 \cdot -m^6n$

g.  $(2x^4)^6$

h.  $(-4m^5)^2$

i.  $(n^6p^2)^5$

4. Evaluate each expression for the given value of the variables.

a.  $2x^3$  for  $x = -5$

b.  $-3y^4$  for  $y = -3$

c.  $3x^2y^3$  for  $x = 3$  and  $y = -2$

d.  $-5x^3yz^2$  for  $x = -2$ ,  $y = 5$ , and  $z = -3$

5. Use the properties of exponents to rewrite each expression.

a.  $(xy^2)^3(x^2y^3)^4$

b.  $(2m^3n^2)^4(-mn^5)^2$

c.  $(-2s^4w)^3(-4sw^6)^2$

d.  $(4a^4b^2)^3(0.5a^7b^3)^2$

1. Eliminate factors equivalent to 1 and rewrite the right side of this equation.

$$\frac{p^3q^5r^2}{pq^3r^2} = \frac{p \cdot p \cdot p \cdot q \cdot q \cdot q \cdot q \cdot q \cdot r \cdot r}{p \cdot q \cdot q \cdot q \cdot r \cdot r}$$

2. Use the properties of exponents to rewrite each expression.

a.  $\frac{m^{10}}{m^4}$

b.  $\frac{m^8}{n}$

c.  $\frac{24x^9}{8x^5}$

d.  $\frac{36x^5y^6}{4xy^3}$

e.  $\frac{45m^7n^4}{-9m^4n^2}$

g.  $\frac{42x^{10}y^5}{6x^3y}$

h.  $\frac{-12m^5n^7}{-3m^4n^2}$

i.  $\frac{-15r^{12}s^5}{5r^4s^2}$

f.  $\frac{-50x^{12}y^8}{-2x^{11}y^6}$