





# Exponents

★ Exponents are shorthand for multiplication:  
 $(5)(5) = 5^2$      $(5)(5)(5) = 5^3$

★ The "exponent" stands for however many times the term is being multiplied.

Exponent

→  
 $5^3$

(3 times)  $5 \times 5 \times 5 = 125$

★ The term that's being multiplied is called the "base".

Base →  $5^3$

**Write each power as a product, then evaluate.**

**#1 a)  $3^4$**

$$3 \times 3 \times 3 \times 3 \\ = 81$$

**b)  $5^3$**

$$5 \times 5 \times 5 \\ = 125$$

**c)  $\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^3$**

$$\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) \\ = \frac{8}{27}$$

**d)  $\left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^2$**

$$\left(\frac{4}{5}\right)\left(\frac{4}{5}\right) \\ = \frac{16}{25}$$

Write each product as a power, then evaluate.

#2

a)  $(4)(4)(4)$

$$4^3$$

b)  $(-6)(-6)(-6)(-6)(-6)$

$$(-6)^5 \leftarrow \begin{matrix} \text{odd} \\ \text{---} \end{matrix}$$

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Can you see the difference?

$$\begin{aligned} & -4^2 \\ & - (4)(4) \\ & = 16 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & (-4)^{\textcircled{2}} \rightarrow \text{Even} \\ & (-4)(-4) \\ & = +16 \end{aligned}$$

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$$(-1)^{\textcircled{2}} = 1$$

$$(-1)^{\textcircled{3}} = -1$$

$$(-1)^{\textcircled{4}} = 1$$

$$(-1)^{\textcircled{5}} = -1$$

Did you see a pattern??

$$(-1)^{1024\textcircled{0}} = -1$$

$$(-1)^{2958\textcircled{0}} = +1$$



$$(-1)^{10247} = -1$$

$$(-1)^{29584} = 1$$

**THINK**

😊 Evaluating powers when the base is negative...

If the exponent is **even** the answer will be **positive**.

If the exponent is **odd** the answer will be **negative**.



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Please complete questions...

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