

Powers Review

Answer Key

- Write $186^{4/5}$ as a radical. $\sqrt[5]{186^4}$
- Write $\sqrt[8]{\left(\frac{684}{15}\right)^{11}}$ as a power. $\left(\frac{684}{15}\right)^{11/8}$
- Evaluate $0.09^{1/2}$ without using a calculator. (Express as a radical and then evaluate)
- Evaluate $(-8)^{-1/3}$ without using a calculator. (Express as a radical and then evaluate)
- Evaluate $\left(\frac{16}{625}\right)^{1/4}$ without using a calculator. (Express as a radical and then evaluate)
- Evaluate $\left(\frac{125}{8}\right)^{4/3}$.
 - $\frac{625}{4}$
 - 7.858 958...
 - $\frac{625}{16}$
 - 625

③ $\left(\frac{9}{100}\right)^{1/2} = \sqrt{\frac{9}{100}} = \frac{3}{10}$

④ $(-8)^{-1/3} = \frac{1}{(-8)^{1/3}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{-8}} = \frac{1}{-2} = -\frac{1}{2}$

⑤ $\sqrt[4]{\frac{16}{625}} = \frac{2}{5}$

⑥ $\sqrt[3]{\frac{125}{8}} = \left(\frac{5}{2}\right)^4 = \frac{625}{16}$

7. Evaluate 2^{-3} without using a calculator.

8. Evaluate $\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{-3}$.

9. Simplify $x^{-2}y^6 \cdot x^3y^8$. Write using powers with positive exponents.

10. Simplify $\frac{12p^3q^{-7}}{15pq^6}$. Write using powers with positive exponents.

11. Evaluate $\left(-\frac{8}{5}\right)^{\frac{7}{4}} \cdot \left(-\frac{8}{5}\right)^{\frac{1}{4}}$.

12. Simplify $\frac{(5b^7)^3}{(2a^3)^4} = \frac{5^3 b^{21}}{2^4 a^{12}}$

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⑦ $2^{-3} = \frac{1}{2^3} = \frac{1}{8}$

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

⑪ $\left(-\frac{8}{5}\right)^{\frac{8}{4}} = \left(-\frac{8}{5}\right)^2 = \frac{64}{25}$

13. Simplify $\frac{(m^3 n^{-3})^{-1}}{(m^{-2} n)^4} = \frac{m^{-3} n^3}{m^{-8} n^4} = \frac{m^5 n^{-1}}{1} = \frac{m^5}{n}$

Evaluate:

a) $2401^{3/4}$
 $\sqrt[4]{2401}^3$
 7^3
 343

b) $32^{-0.4}$
 $= 32^{-4/10}$
 $= 32^{-2/5}$
 $= \frac{1}{32^{2/5}}$
 $= \frac{1}{2^5 \cdot 32^2}$
 $= \frac{1}{2^2} = \frac{1}{4}$

Simplify:

a) $\left(\frac{(6x^8 y^{-3} \cdot x^{11} y^3)}{(2xy^7)}\right)^{-2}$
 $\left(\frac{6x^{19} y^0}{2xy^7}\right)^{-2}$
 $(3x^{18} y^{-7})^{-2}$
 $\frac{3^{-2} x^{-36} y^{14}}{1} = \frac{y^{14}}{3^2 x^{36}}$

b) $\left(\frac{5^6 x^3 y^5}{5x^{-2} y^3}\right)^3$
 $(5^5 x^5 y^2)^3$
 $5^{15} x^{15} y^6$

Powers Worksheet

2. $\frac{m^8 n^{-2}}{m^{-5} n^{-3}}$

2. $\left(\frac{a^{-2} b^{-3}}{(b^5)^{-2} a^5}\right)^{-2}$

3. $\frac{24p^4 q^{-3}}{6p^2 q^3}$

4. $(3s^{-2} t^3)^{-2}$

5. $\frac{(a^4 b^{-2})^{-1}}{(a^{-3} b^4)^3}$

6. $4m^3 n^{-2} \times 3m^{-2} n^5$

7. $\left(\frac{x^3 y^5 \cdot x^4 y}{x^{-2} y^3}\right)^3$

8. $\left(\frac{a^4 b^5}{a^{-3} b^2}\right)^3$

9. $\frac{(z^3 (y^{-2})^3)^{-2}}{((z^{-2})^4 y^{-2})^3}$

10. $(4b^2 c^3)^2 \times (2b^{-2} c^2)^2$

11. $\frac{36\pi^{-2} n^5}{9m^{-4} n^7}$

12. $\left(\frac{4}{3} p^4 q^{-3}\right)^{-2}$

13. $\left(\frac{12c^5 d^{-2}}{3c^{-2} d^3}\right)^2$

14. $\frac{(r^7 s^{-2})^{-2}}{(r^{-10} s^5)^{-1}}$

15. $\left(\frac{g^3 h^{-1} \times g^{-7} h^5}{g^4 h^{-4} \times g^{-3} h^6}\right)^{-3}$

$\begin{matrix} -2-5 \\ -7 \\ -3-(-10) \\ 7 \end{matrix}$

1. $\frac{m^8 n^{-2}}{m^{-5} n^{-3}}$

$8-(-5)$ $m^{13} n^1$

$\begin{matrix} -2-3 \\ -3-3 \\ -6 \end{matrix}$

2. $\left(\frac{a^{-2} b^{-3}}{(b^5)^{-2} a^5}\right)^{-2}$

$\left(\frac{a^{-2} b^{-3}}{b^{-10} a^5}\right)^{-2}$
 $(a^{-7} b^7)^{-2}$
 $\frac{a^{14} b^{-14}}{1}$
 $\frac{a^{14}}{b^{14}}$

3. $\frac{24p^4 q^{-3}}{6p^2 q^3}$

$\frac{4p^2 q^{-6}}{1}$
 $\frac{4p^2}{q^6}$

4. $(3s^{-2} t^3)^{-2}$

$\frac{3^{-2} s^4 t^{-6}}{1}$
 $\frac{s^4}{3^2 t^6}$

b^{14}

$4 - (-3)$
 7

5. $\frac{(a^4 b^{-2})^{-1}}{(a^{-3} b^4)^3}$ 6. $4m^3 n^2 \times 3m^{-2} n^5$ 7. $\left(\frac{x^3 y^5 \cdot x^4 y}{x^{-2} y^3}\right)^3$ 8. $\left(\frac{a^4 b^5}{a^{-3} b^2}\right)^3$

$4 - (-9)$
 5
 $2 - (-12)$
 -10

$\frac{a^{-4} b^2}{a^{-9} b^{12}}$ $12 m^1 n^3$ $\left(\frac{x^7 y^6}{x^{-2} y^3}\right)^3$ $(a^7 b^3)^3$

$\frac{a^5 b^{-10}}{1}$ $(x^9 y^3)^3$ $a^{21} b^9$

$\frac{a^5}{b^{10}}$ $x^{27} y^9$

$\frac{-2 - (-4)}{2}$

9. $\frac{(z^3(y^{-2})^3)^{-2}}{((z^{-2})^4 y^{-2})^3}$ 10. $(4b^2c^3)^2 \times (2b^{-2}c^2)^{-2}$ 11. $\frac{36m^{-2}n^5}{9m^{-4}n^7}$ 12. $(\frac{4}{3}p^4q^{-3})^{-2}$

$\frac{(z^3 y^{-6})^{-2}}{(z^{-8} y^{-2})^3}$ $4^2 b^4 c^6 \cdot 4^{-2} b^4 c^4$ $\frac{4m^2 n^{-2}}{1}$ $\frac{4^{-2} p^{-8} q^6}{3^{-2}}$
 $\frac{z^{-6} y^{12}}{z^{-24} y^{-6}}$ $4^0 b^8 c^{10}$ $\frac{4m^2}{n^2}$ $\frac{3^2 q^6}{4^2 p^8}$
 $\frac{z^{18} y^{18}}$ $b^8 c^{10}$

$\frac{-6 - (-24)}{18}$ $\frac{2 - (-6)}{18}$

13. $\left(\frac{12c^5d^{-2}}{3c^{-2}d^3}\right)^2$ 14. $\frac{(r^7s^{-2})^{-2}}{(r^{-10}s^5)^{-1}}$ 15. $\left(\frac{g^3h^{-1} \times g^{-7}h^5}{g^4h^{-4} \times g^{-3}h^6}\right)^{-3}$

$\begin{matrix} -2-3 \\ -5 \end{matrix}$ $\left(\frac{4^2c^3d^{-5}}{1}\right)^2$ $\frac{r^{-14}s^4}{r^{10}s^{-5}}$ $\left(\frac{g^{-4}h^4}{g^1h^2}\right)^{-3}$

$\frac{4^2c^6d^{-10}}{1}$ $\frac{r^{-24}s^9}{1}$ $(g^{-5}h^2)^{-3}$

$\frac{4^2c^6}{d^{10}}$ $\frac{s^9}{r^{24}}$ $\frac{g^{15}h^{-6}}{1}$

$\frac{-14-10}{-24}$ $\frac{4-(-5)}{9}$ $= \frac{g^{15}}{h^6}$

$\frac{-4-1}{-5}$ *Hilroy*