

EXPONENTS
& ROOTS

Positive exponents:

Simplify.

① $9^2 =$

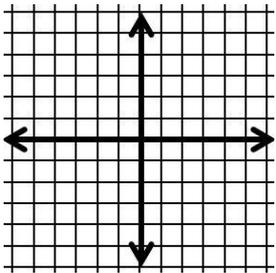
② $3^5 =$

③ $6^3 =$

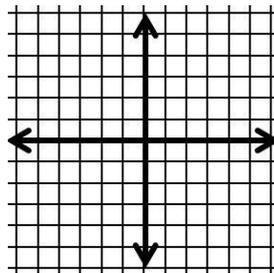
④ $12^0 =$

Find the distance between the two points. Round to the nearest tenth, if necessary.

⑤ $(1, 2)$ and $(6, 4)$



⑥ $(-3, 5)$ and $(2, -2)$

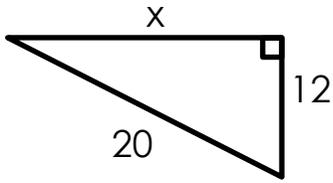


⑦ What is the length of the diagonal on a standard sheet of $8\frac{1}{2}$ x 11 inch computer paper? Round to the nearest tenth.

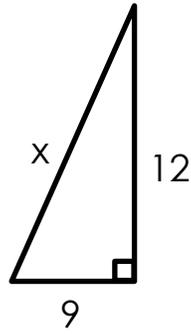
⑧ A ladder must be placed 5 feet from the base of a wall and must reach a height of 11 feet. What length ladder is needed? Round your answer to the nearest tenth.

Find the missing side length. Round your answer to the nearest tenth, if necessary.

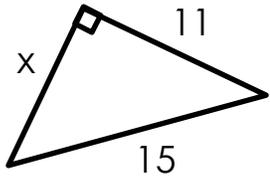
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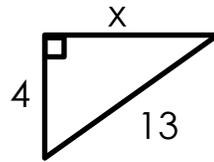
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Negative exponents:

Simplify.

5 $6^{-2} =$

6 $2^{-5} =$

7 $(-9)^{-3} =$

8 $(-3)^{-4} =$

integer Exponents

Scientific notation to Standard Form:

Write each number in standard form.

① $9.2 \times 10^6 =$

② $3.6 \times 10^{-2} =$

③ The mass of a dust particle is about 7.53×10^{-10} kg.
What is the mass in standard form?

MULTIPLY:

Simplify.

⑦ $\sqrt{32} \cdot \sqrt{2}$

⑧ $6\sqrt{3} \cdot \sqrt{3}$

⑨ $3\sqrt{12} \cdot -5\sqrt{4}$

DIVIDE:

Simplify.

①① $\sqrt{\frac{9}{16}}$

①① $\sqrt{\frac{12}{169}}$

①② $\sqrt{\frac{162}{49}}$

SQUARE ROOTS

SIMPLIFY:

① $\sqrt{500}$

② $\sqrt{63}$

③ $\sqrt{98}$

ADD & SUBTRACT:

④ $7\sqrt{13} - 2\sqrt{13}$

⑤ $-2\sqrt{3} + 2\sqrt{2} - 6\sqrt{3}$

⑥ $\sqrt{12} - \sqrt{8} + \sqrt{18}$

STANDARD FORM TO SCIENTIFIC NOTATION

Write each number in scientific notation.

④ $6,500,000 =$

⑤ $0.000729 =$

⑥ Jupiter is about 778,120,000 km from the Sun. Write this number in scientific notation.

Scientific Notation

MULTIPLY (*keep the base, add the exponents*)

① $6^3 \cdot 6^7 =$

② $27^5 \cdot 27^5 =$

③ $3^5 \cdot 3 \cdot 3^7 =$

④ $x^4 \cdot x^9 =$

DIVIDE (*keep the base, subtract the exponents*)

⑤ $\frac{7^9}{7^5} =$

⑥ $\frac{3^{12}}{3^5} =$

⑦ $\frac{8^4}{8^7} =$

⑧ $\frac{x^{10}}{x^9} =$

RAISING A POWER TO A POWER

(*keep the base, multiply the exponents*)

⑨ $(5^3)^6 =$

⑩ $(9^2)^7 =$

⑪ $(3^4)^8 =$

⑫ $(x^{10})^{-6} =$

Use the laws of exponents to simplify each expression.

⑬ $\frac{x^8y^4z^3}{x^5yz^7}$

⑭ $(9m^3n^5)^2$

Answer Key!

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EXPONENTS
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Positive exponents:

Simplify.

① $9^2 = 9 \cdot 9 = 81$

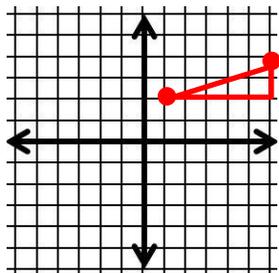
② $3^5 = 3 \cdot 3 \cdot 3 \cdot 3 \cdot 3 = 243$

③ $6^3 = 6 \cdot 6 \cdot 6 = 216$

④ $12^0 = 1$

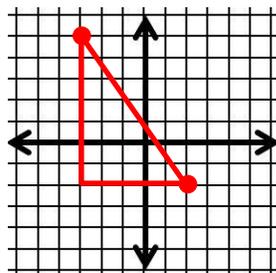
Find the distance between the two points. Round to the nearest tenth, if necessary.

⑤ (1, 2) and (6, 4)



$$\begin{aligned} a^2 + b^2 &= c^2 \\ 2^2 + 5^2 &= c^2 \\ 4 + 25 &= c^2 \\ 29 &= c^2 \\ c &= 5.4 \end{aligned}$$

⑥ (-3, 5) and (2, -2)



$$\begin{aligned} a^2 + b^2 &= c^2 \\ 7^2 + 5^2 &= c^2 \\ 49 + 25 &= c^2 \\ 74 &= c^2 \\ c &= 8.6 \end{aligned}$$

⑦ What is the length of the diagonal on a standard sheet of $8\frac{1}{2}$ x 11 inch computer paper? Round to the nearest tenth.

$$\begin{aligned} a^2 + b^2 &= c^2 \\ 8.5^2 + 11^2 &= c^2 \\ 72.25 + 121 &= c^2 \\ 193.25 &= c^2 \end{aligned}$$

13.9 inches

⑧ A ladder must be placed 5 feet from the base of a wall and must reach a height of 11 feet. What length ladder is needed? Round your answer to the nearest tenth.

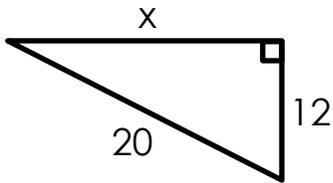
$$\begin{aligned} a^2 + b^2 &= c^2 \\ 5^2 + 11^2 &= c^2 \\ 25 + 121 &= c^2 \\ 146 &= c^2 \end{aligned}$$

12.1 feet

The PYthagorean Theorem

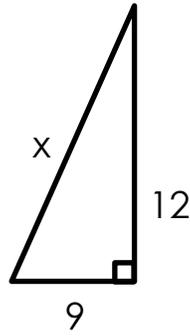
Find the missing side length. Round your answer to the nearest tenth, if necessary.

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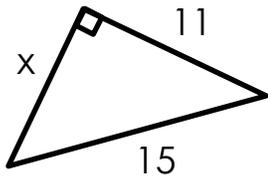
$$\begin{aligned} a^2 + b^2 &= c^2 \\ x^2 + 12^2 &= 20^2 \\ x^2 + 144 &= 400 \\ x^2 &= 256 \\ x &= 16 \end{aligned}$$

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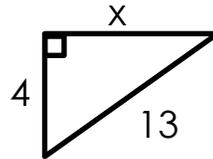
$$\begin{aligned} a^2 + b^2 &= c^2 \\ 9^2 + 12^2 &= x^2 \\ 81 + 144 &= c^2 \\ 225 &= c^2 \\ x &= 15 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} a^2 + b^2 &= c^2 \\ x^2 + 11^2 &= 15^2 \\ x^2 + 121 &= 225 \\ x^2 &= 104 \\ x &= 10.2 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} a^2 + b^2 &= c^2 \\ 4^2 + x^2 &= 13^2 \\ 16 + x^2 &= 169 \\ x^2 &= 153 \\ x &= 12.4 \end{aligned}$$

Negative exponents:

Simplify.

5 $6^{-2} = \frac{1}{36}$

6 $2^{-5} = \frac{1}{32}$

7 $(-9)^{-3} = \frac{-1}{729}$

8 $(-3)^{-4} = \frac{-1}{81}$

integer exponents

Scientific notation to standard form:

Write each number in standard form.

① $9.2 \times 10^6 = 9,200,000$

② $3.6 \times 10^{-2} = 0.036$

③ The mass of a dust particle is about 7.53×10^{-10} kg.
What is the mass in standard form?

0.000000000753

MULTIPLY:

Simplify.

⑦ $\sqrt{32} \cdot \sqrt{2}$
 $= \sqrt{64}$
 $= 8$

⑧ $6\sqrt{3} \cdot \sqrt{3}$
 $= 6\sqrt{9}$
 $= 6 \cdot 3$
 $= 18$

⑨ $3\sqrt{12} \cdot -5\sqrt{4}$
 $= -15\sqrt{48}$
 $= -15 \cdot \sqrt{16} \cdot \sqrt{3}$
 $= -15 \cdot 4 \cdot \sqrt{3}$
 $= -60\sqrt{3}$

DIVIDE:

Simplify.

①① $\sqrt{\frac{9}{16}} = \frac{\sqrt{9}}{\sqrt{16}}$
 $= \frac{3}{4}$

①① $\sqrt{\frac{12}{169}} = \frac{\sqrt{12}}{\sqrt{169}}$
 $= \frac{\sqrt{4 \cdot 3}}{13}$
 $= \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{13}$

①② $\sqrt{\frac{162}{49}} = \frac{\sqrt{162}}{\sqrt{49}}$
 $= \frac{\sqrt{81 \cdot 2}}{7}$
 $= \frac{9\sqrt{2}}{7}$

SQUARE ROOTS

SIMPLIFY:

$$\textcircled{1} \sqrt{500}$$

$$= \sqrt{100} \cdot \sqrt{5}$$
$$= \textcircled{10\sqrt{5}}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \sqrt{63}$$

$$= \sqrt{9} \cdot \sqrt{7}$$
$$= \textcircled{3\sqrt{7}}$$

$$\textcircled{3} \sqrt{98}$$

$$= \sqrt{49} \cdot \sqrt{2}$$
$$= \textcircled{7\sqrt{2}}$$

ADD & SUBTRACT:

$$\textcircled{4} 7\sqrt{13} - 2\sqrt{13}$$

$$= \textcircled{5\sqrt{13}}$$

$$\textcircled{5} -2\sqrt{3} + 2\sqrt{2} - 6\sqrt{3}$$

$$= \textcircled{2\sqrt{2} - 8\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\textcircled{6} \sqrt{12} - \sqrt{8} + \sqrt{18}$$

$$= \sqrt{4} \cdot \sqrt{3} - \sqrt{4} \cdot \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{9} \cdot \sqrt{2}$$
$$= 2\sqrt{3} - 2\sqrt{2} + 3\sqrt{2}$$
$$= \textcircled{\sqrt{2} + 2\sqrt{3}}$$

STANDARD FORM TO SCIENTIFIC NOTATION

Write each number in scientific notation.

$$\textcircled{4} 6,500,000 = \textcircled{6.5 \times 10^6}$$

$$\textcircled{5} 0.000729 = \textcircled{7.29 \times 10^{-4}}$$

$\textcircled{6}$ Jupiter is about 778,120,000 km from the Sun. Write this number in scientific notation.

$$\textcircled{7.7812 \times 10^8}$$

SCIENTIFIC NOTATION

MULTIPLY (*keep the base, add the exponents*)

$$\textcircled{1} \quad 6^3 \cdot 6^7 = 6^{3+7} = \textcircled{6^{10}}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad 27^5 \cdot 27^5 = 27^{5+5} = \textcircled{27^{10}}$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad 3^5 \cdot 3 \cdot 3^7 = 3^{5+1+7} = \textcircled{3^{13}}$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad x^4 \cdot x^9 = x^{4+9} = \textcircled{x^{13}}$$

DIVIDE (*keep the base, subtract the exponents*)

$$\textcircled{5} \quad \frac{7^9}{7^5} = 7^{9-5} = \textcircled{7^4}$$

$$\textcircled{6} \quad \frac{3^{12}}{3^5} = 3^{12-5} = \textcircled{3^7}$$

$$\textcircled{7} \quad \frac{8^4}{8^7} = 8^{4-7} = \textcircled{8^{-3} = \frac{1}{8^3}}$$

$$\textcircled{8} \quad \frac{x^{10}}{x^9} = x^{10-9} = x^1 = \textcircled{x}$$

RAISING A POWER TO A POWER

(*keep the base, multiply the exponents*)

$$\textcircled{9} \quad (5^3)^6 = 5^{3 \cdot 6} = \textcircled{5^{18}}$$

$$\textcircled{10} \quad (9^2)^7 = 9^{2 \cdot 7} = \textcircled{9^{14}}$$

$$\textcircled{11} \quad (3^4)^8 = 3^{4 \cdot 8} = \textcircled{3^{32}}$$

$$\textcircled{12} \quad (x^{10})^{-6} = x^{10 \cdot -6} = x^{-60} = \frac{1}{x^{60}}$$

Use the laws of exponents to simplify each expression.

$$\textcircled{13} \quad \frac{x^8 y^4 z^3}{x^5 y z^7} = \frac{x^3 y^3}{z^4}$$

$$\textcircled{14} \quad (9m^3 n^5)^2 = \textcircled{81m^6 n^{10}}$$

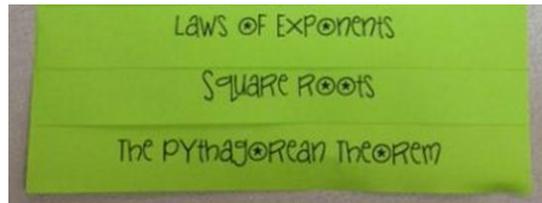
LAWS OF EXPONENTS

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