

Qu. 2:

$$1. b) (0.35)^5 = 5.25 \times 10^{-3} \times 10^8$$

$$5.25 \times 10^{-3}$$

$$0.00525$$

$$(0.01)$$

ex. c) $5\sqrt{72}$

$5(\sqrt{36} \times \sqrt{2})$	$5(\sqrt{9} \times \sqrt{8})$
$5(6\sqrt{2})$	$5(3\sqrt{8})$
$= \underline{30\sqrt{2}}$	$15\sqrt{8}$
	$15(\sqrt{4} \times \sqrt{2})$
	$15(2\sqrt{2})$
	$30\sqrt{2}$

(e) $\sqrt[5]{486}$	$2^5 = 32$
$\sqrt[5]{243} \times \sqrt[5]{2}$	$3^5 = 243$
$3\sqrt[5]{2}$	

5. a) $4\sqrt{5}$	b) $-10\sqrt{6}$	c) $5\sqrt[4]{3}$
$\sqrt{4^2 \cdot 5}$	$-\sqrt{10^2 \cdot 6}$	$\sqrt[4]{5^4 \cdot 3}$
$\sqrt{80}$	$-\sqrt{600}$	$\sqrt[4]{1875}$

NO CALCULATOR...Evaluate the following:

$$36^{\frac{1}{2}} = \sqrt{36}$$

$$= 6$$

$$16^{0.25} = \sqrt[4]{16}$$

$$= 2$$

$$27^{\frac{2}{3}} = (\sqrt[3]{27})^2$$

$$= 3^2$$

$$= 9$$

$$32^{\frac{6}{5}} = (\sqrt[5]{32})^6$$

$$(2)^6$$

$$= 64$$

$$125^{\frac{4}{3}} = (\sqrt[3]{125})^4$$

$$= 5^4$$

$$= \underline{\underline{625}}$$

$$4^{1.5} = (\sqrt{4})^3$$

$$= \underline{\underline{8}}$$

Warm Up:

1. Evaluate each of the following without using a calculator:

$$(a) 27^{\frac{1}{3}} = ? \quad \sqrt[3]{27} \quad 27 \quad 1, 3$$

$$(b) 64^{\frac{3}{2}} = ? \quad 512$$

$$(c) \left(\frac{16}{81}\right)^{\frac{3}{4}} = ? \quad \frac{16^{\frac{3}{4}}}{81^{\frac{3}{4}}} = \frac{8}{27}$$

$$(d) 32^{\frac{7}{5}} = ? \quad 128$$

2. Evaluate each of the following using a calculator:

$$(a) -32^{\frac{2}{7}} = ?$$

$$-\left(\sqrt[7]{32}\right)^2$$

$$-2.69\dots$$

$$(b) 20^{\frac{5}{8}} = ?$$

$$= 6.50\dots$$

4.5 Negative Exponents and Reciprocals



LESSON FOCUS

Relate negative exponents to reciprocals.

Reciprocals: $\frac{2}{3} \times \frac{3}{2} = \frac{6}{6} = 1$

What are some properties of numbers classified as reciprocals?

Definition:

Two numbers with a product of 1 are reciprocals.

Since $4 \cdot \frac{1}{4} = 1$, the numbers 4 and $\frac{1}{4}$ are reciprocals.

Similarly, $\frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{3}{2} = 1$, so the numbers $\frac{2}{3}$ and $\frac{3}{2}$ are also reciprocals.

$$4 \cdot \frac{1}{4} = \frac{4}{4} = 1$$

Use the concept of reciprocals to deal with NEGATIVE exponents...

We define powers with negative exponents so that previously developed properties such as $a^m \cdot a^n = a^{m+n}$ and $a^0 = 1$ still apply.

How can we explain the meaning of negative exponents?

$$\frac{5^2}{5^5} = 5^{-3}$$

$$\frac{5^{-3}}{1} = ? \quad \frac{1}{125} = \frac{1}{5^3}$$

$$\frac{\cancel{5} \times \cancel{5}}{\cancel{5} \times \cancel{5} \times \cancel{5} \times \cancel{5} \times \cancel{5}}$$

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

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

$$= \frac{1}{9}$$

$$x^{-\frac{3}{4}} = \frac{1}{x^{\frac{3}{4}}}$$

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

IMPORTANT PROPERTY!!

Powers with Negative Exponents

When x is any non-zero number and n is a rational number, x^{-n} is the reciprocal of x^n .

That is, $x^{-n} = \frac{1}{x^n}$ and $\frac{1}{x^{-n}} = x^n, x \neq 0$

Examples:

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

$$\left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{-3} = \left(\frac{5}{2}\right)^3 = \frac{5^3}{2^3} = \frac{125}{8}$$

$$\frac{3^{-2}}{4} = \frac{1}{3^2 \cdot 4} = \frac{1}{9 \cdot 4} = \frac{1}{36}$$

$$0.2^{-4} =$$