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Exponent Law Worksheet

1. Simplify. Then evaluate if possible. Write all powers with positive exponents.

a) $x^8 \cdot x^4$

$= x^{12}$

b) $a^4 \cdot a^{-7}$

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

c) $b^{-3} \times b^5$

$= b^2$

d) $m^3 \cdot m^{-5}$

$= \frac{1}{m^2}$

e) $\frac{x^9}{x^4} = x^5$

f) $\frac{x^3}{x^7} = \frac{1}{x^4}$

g) $m^9 \div m^{-5} = m^{14}$

h) $a^3 \div a^8 = \frac{1}{a^5}$

i) $(n^6)^3 = n^{18}$

j) $(n^{-4})^{-3} = n^{12}$

k) $(z^7)^{-3} = \frac{1}{z^{21}}$

l) $(n^0)^{-3} = 1$

m) $(c^{-2})^7 = \frac{1}{c^{14}}$

n) $\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^2 = \frac{a^2}{b^2}$

o) $\left(\frac{n^3}{m}\right)^3 = \frac{n^9}{m^3}$

p) $\left(\frac{c^5}{d^3}\right)^4 = \frac{c^{20}}{d^{12}}$

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

r) $(ab)^9 = a^9 b^9$

s) $(c^3 d^4)^{-5} = \frac{1}{c^{15} d^{20}}$

t) $(2xy^{-4})^5 = \frac{32x^5}{y^{20}}$

u) $(-3a^{-4}b^{-5})^3 = -\frac{a^{12}b^{15}}{27}$

v) $(4m^4 n^3)^{-3} = \frac{1}{64 m^{12} n^9}$

w) $\frac{x^9 y^5}{x^6 y^{-2}} = x^3 y^7$

x) $\frac{a^4}{a^5} \cdot a^{-6} = \frac{1}{a^7}$

2. Write as a single power then then evaluate.

$$\text{a) } \left[\left(\frac{3}{5} \right)^3 \right]^4$$

$$= \left(\frac{3}{5} \right)^{12}$$

$$= \frac{531441}{244140625}$$

$$\approx 0.00218$$

$$\text{b) } \left[\left(\frac{2}{4} \right)^2 \right]^{-3}$$

$$= \left(\frac{4}{2} \right)^6$$

$$= 2^6$$

$$= 64$$

$$\text{c) } \left[\left(\frac{4}{5} \right)^{-2} \right]^3$$

$$= \left(\frac{4}{5} \right)^6$$

$$= \frac{4096}{15625}$$

$$\approx 0.262144$$

$$\text{d) } \left[\left(\frac{2}{3} \right)^{-4} \right]^2$$

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

$$= \frac{6561}{256}$$

$$\approx 25.629$$

$$\text{e) } \left[\left(-\frac{2}{3} \right)^{-3} \right]^{-4}$$

$$= \left(-\frac{2}{3} \right)^{12}$$

$$= \frac{4096}{531441}$$

$$\approx 0.0077$$

$$\text{f) } \left[\left(-\frac{1}{2} \right)^{-3} \right]^5$$

$$= (-2)^{15}$$

$$= -32768$$