

**EXPONENTIAL FUNCTIONS
UNIT REVIEW**

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1. Write as a single power. Express answers with positive exponents. (5 marks)

a) $3^4 \times 3^8 \times 3$

$$= 3^{4+8+1}$$

$$= 3^{13}$$

b) $((-9)^2)^5$

$$= (-9)^{10}$$

c) $\frac{5^6}{5^4}$

$$= 5^{6-4}$$

$$= 5^2$$

d) $\frac{4^7 \times 4^5}{4^{12}}$

$$= 4^{7+5-12}$$

$$= 4^0$$

e) $\frac{6^{10}}{(6^6)^2}$

$$= 6^{10-12}$$

$$= 6^{-2}$$

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

2. Evaluate each expression without using a calculator. (5 marks)

a) $125^{\frac{1}{3}}$

$$\sqrt[3]{125}$$

$$= 5$$

b) $16^{\frac{2}{3}}$

$$= (\sqrt[3]{16})^2$$

c) $(2x^2y)^2$

$$= 2^2 x^{2 \times 2} y^2$$

$$= 4x^4y^2$$

d) $9^{\frac{1}{2}}$

$$= \sqrt{9}$$

$$= 3$$

e) $\frac{2^2}{2^{-1}}$

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

$$= 2^3$$

$$= 8$$

Simplify each of the following. Answers must have positive exponents. (15 marks)

a) $(x^4)(x^3)$

$$= x^7$$

b) $(5x^8)(4x^{-1})$

$$= 20x^{8+(-1)}$$

$$= 20x^7$$

c) $(x^2y)^4$

$$= x^8y^4$$

d) $(y^2)^2 \times (y^3)^{-1}$

$$= y^4 \times y^{-3}$$

$$= y^{4-3} = y^1$$

e) $x^7 \div x^3$

$$= x^{7-3}$$

$$= x^4$$

f) $\frac{16x^5}{4x^2}$

$$= 4x^{5-2}$$

$$= 4x^3$$

g) $a^3 \times a^{-1} \div a^4 \times a^3$

$$= a^{3+(-1)-4+3}$$

$$= a^1$$

h) $\frac{(3x^4y^2)(15x^5y^3)}{9x^6y^7}$

$$= \frac{45x^{4+5}y^{2+3}}{9x^6y^7}$$

$$= 5x^{9-6}y^{5-7}$$

$$= 5x^3y^{-2}$$

i) $\frac{(5x^4y^3)(4xy^2)}{10x^3y}$

$$= \frac{20x^5y^5}{10x^3y}$$

$$= 2x^2y^4$$

$$= \frac{5x^3}{y^2}$$

4. Calculate the differences for each table of values. Then use the first and/or second differences to classify each function as **linear**, **quadratic** or **exponential**. (3 marks each)

x	y
1	-1
2	3
3	9
4	17
5	27
6	39

4
6
8
10
12

2
2
2
2

quadratic

b)

x	y
-1	0.25
1	0.5
3	1
5	2
7	4
9	8

.25
.5
1
2
4

.25
.5
1
2

exponential

c)

x	y
-2	3
-1	8
0	13
1	18
2	23
3	28

5
5
5
5
5

linear

d)

x	y
-2	10
-1	30
0	90
1	270
2	810
3	2430

20
60
180
540
1620

40
120
360
1080

exponential

5. The value of a car after it is purchased depreciates according to the formula $V(n) = 35000(0.88)^n$, where $V(n)$ is the car's value in the n th year after it was purchased.

a) What is the purchase price of the car? (1 mark)

\$ 35000

b) What is the annual rate of depreciation? (1 mark)

$$P = P_0(1-r)^n \quad 1-r = 0.88 \quad r = 1-0.88 = 0.12 = 12\%$$

c) What is the car's value at the end of 3 years? (2 mark)

$$V_{(3)} = 35000(0.88)^3 = \$23851.52$$

d) How much value does the car lose in its first year? (2 marks)

$$V_{(1)} = 35000(0.88)^1 = \$30800$$

$$\text{Value Lost} = \$35000 - \$30800 = \$4200 \text{ lost}$$

6. The population of a small town has increased at a rate of 1.5% per year since 1980. The town had a population of 2500 that year.

$$P = P_0 (1 + r)^n$$

a) Write the equation that models the growth in population of the town. (2 marks)

$$P_0 = 2500$$

$$r = 1.5\% = 0.015$$

$$P = 2500(1 + 0.015)^n$$

b) Use your equation to determine the population of the town in 2015. (1 mark)

$$n = 2015 - 1980 = 35$$

$$P = 2500(1.015)^{35}$$

$$= 4209.70$$

$$= 4210$$

7. The decay of a radioactive substance can be modelled by the equation below. Assume mass is in grams and time is measured in minutes. Determine:

$$A = 600 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{\frac{t}{25}}$$

→ total time

a) The initial mass of the radioactive substance. (1 mark)

$$600$$

b) The time it takes for half of the substance to decay. (1 mark)

$$25 \text{ minutes}$$

In 100

$$A = 600 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{\frac{100}{25}}$$

$$= 600 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^4$$

c) The amount of radioactive material remaining after 65 minutes (to one decimal place) (2 marks).

$$A = 600 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{\frac{65}{25}}$$

$$= 600 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{2.6}$$

$$=$$

$$98.96 = 99.0g$$