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## Applying the Exponent Laws

## Lesson 8

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## Exponents Laws

Recall the exponent laws for integers bases and whole number exponents

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## Simplify as Single Power

Product  
of Powers

$$a^3 \cdot a^8$$

$$a^{3+8}$$

$$\boxed{a^{11}}$$

Quotient  
of Powers

$$\frac{b^8}{b^3}$$

$$b^{8-3}$$

$$\boxed{b^5}$$

Power  
of Powers

$$(c^3)^4$$

$$c^{3 \cdot 4}$$

$$\boxed{c^{12}}$$

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## Simplify as Single Power

Product  
of Product

$$(ab)^5$$

$$a^5 b^5$$

Power  
of Quotient

$$\left(\frac{b^4}{c^2}\right)^3$$

$$\frac{b^{12}}{c^6}$$

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<p><b>Example 1:</b></p> $(x^4)(x^5)$ $x^9$ <hr/> $\frac{n^6}{n^2}$ $n^4$	<p><b>Laws to Remember</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Product of powers: <math>a^m \cdot a^n = a^{m+n}</math></li> <li>Quotient of powers: <math>a^m \div a^n = a^{m-n}, a \neq 0</math></li> <li>Power of a power: <math>(a^m)^n = a^{mn}</math></li> <li>Power of a product: <math>(ab)^m = a^m b^m</math></li> <li>Power of a quotient: <math>\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^m = \frac{a^m}{b^m}, b \neq 0</math></li> </ul> <p><b>Sometimes you need to do more than 1 law to find the answer</b></p>

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<p><b>Example 2:</b></p> $(n^2)^3$ $n^6$ <hr/> $\left(\frac{x^2}{y^2}\right)^{-3}$ $\frac{x^{-6}}{y^{-6}} = \frac{y^6}{x^6}$	<p><b>Laws to Remember</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Product of powers: <math>a^m \cdot a^n = a^{m+n}</math></li> <li>Quotient of powers: <math>a^m \div a^n = a^{m-n}, a \neq 0</math></li> <li>Power of a power: <math>(a^m)^n = a^{mn}</math></li> <li>Power of a product: <math>(ab)^m = a^m b^m</math></li> <li>Power of a quotient: <math>\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^m = \frac{a^m}{b^m}, b \neq 0</math></li> </ul> <p><b>Sometimes you need to do more than 1 law to find the answer</b></p>

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<p><b>Example 3:</b></p> $(4x^2y^3)^{-3}$ $\frac{1}{(4x^2y^3)^3}$ $\frac{1}{4^3x^6y^9}$ $\frac{1}{64x^6y^9}$	<p><b>Laws to Remember</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Product of powers: <math>a^m \cdot a^n = a^{m+n}</math></li> <li>Quotient of powers: <math>a^m \div a^n = a^{m-n}, a \neq 0</math></li> <li>Power of a power: <math>(a^m)^n = a^{mn}</math></li> <li>Power of a product: <math>(ab)^m = a^m b^m</math></li> <li>Power of a quotient: <math>\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^m = \frac{a^m}{b^m}, b \neq 0</math></li> </ul> <p><b>Sometimes you need to do more than 1 law to find the answer</b></p>

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<p><b>Example 4:</b></p> $\left(x^{\frac{3}{2}}y^2\right)\left(x^{\frac{1}{2}}y^{-1}\right)$ $x^2y$ $\boxed{x^2y}$	<p><b>Laws to Remember</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Product of powers: <math>a^m \cdot a^n = a^{m+n}</math></li> <li>Quotient of powers: <math>a^m \div a^n = a^{m-n}, a \neq 0</math></li> <li>Power of a power: <math>(a^m)^n = a^{mn}</math></li> <li>Power of a product: <math>(ab)^m = a^m b^m</math></li> <li>Power of a quotient: <math>\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^m = \frac{a^m}{b^m}, b \neq 0</math></li> </ul> <p><b>Sometimes you need to do more than 1 law to find the answer</b></p>

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**Example 5:**

$$\frac{4a^{-2}b^{\frac{2}{3}}}{2a^2b^{\frac{1}{3}}}$$

$$\frac{2b^{\frac{2}{3}}}{a^2a^2}$$

$$= \frac{2b^{\frac{2}{3}}}{a^4} \rightarrow \frac{2\sqrt[3]{b^2}}{a^4}$$

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**Example 6:**

$$\left(\frac{100a}{25a^5b^{\frac{1}{2}}}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\left(\frac{4b^{\frac{1}{2}}}{a^4}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$= \frac{4^{\frac{1}{2}}b^{\frac{1}{4}}}{a^{4 \cdot \frac{1}{2}}}$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{4}b^{\frac{1}{4}}}{a^2} = \frac{2\sqrt[4]{b}}{a^2}$$

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$$\frac{(25a^4b^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}}{(2\sqrt{25})^3 a^6 b^3}$$

$$\frac{5^3 a^6 b^3}{125 a^6 b^3}$$

$$\left(x^3 y^{\frac{3}{2}}\right) \left(x^{-1} y^{\frac{1}{2}}\right)$$

$$x^2 y^{\frac{3}{2} + \frac{1}{2}} = x^2 y^2 \rightarrow -\frac{3}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = -\frac{2}{2}$$

$$x^2 y^{-1} = x^2 \cdot \frac{1}{y}$$

$$\frac{x^2}{y}$$

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$$\frac{12x^{-5}y^{\frac{1}{2}}}{3x^{\frac{1}{2}}y^{\frac{1}{2}}}$$

$$4x^{-\frac{5}{2} - \frac{1}{2}}y^{\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}}$$

$$4x^{-3}y^0 = \frac{4}{x^3}$$

$$\frac{4y}{x^{\frac{3}{2}}} = \frac{4y}{\sqrt{x^3}}$$

$$\left(\frac{50x^2y^4}{2x^4y^7}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\left(\frac{25}{x^2y^3}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\frac{25^{\frac{1}{2}}}{x y^{\frac{3}{2}}} = \frac{\sqrt{25}}{x\sqrt[2]{y^3}}$$

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

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