

$$2^x = 8 \qquad 3^? = \frac{1}{27}$$

$$x = 3 \qquad -3$$

$$1000^{.05x} = 7500$$

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Introduction to Logarithms Class Work

Objective: You will be able to convert between logarithmic & exponential form.

*** FORMAL DEFINITION:**

Logarithm – a quantity representing the power to which a number (called the base) must be raised to produce a given number (called the argument)

"Logarithms are the "opposite" or "inverse" of exponentials.

*** EXPONENTIAL FORM VS. LOGARITHMIC FORM**

base^{exponent} = argument \leftrightarrow $\log_{\text{base}}(\text{argument}) = \text{exponent}$

ex. $3^3 = \frac{1}{27}$ \leftrightarrow $\log_3(\frac{1}{27}) = -3$

base^{exponent} \leftrightarrow base^{exponent}

*** Examples (Converting Between Forms)**

A. $2^3 = 8 \leftrightarrow \log_2(8) = 3$ B. $3^2 = 9 \leftrightarrow \log_3(9) = 2$

C. $\log_2(4) = 2 \leftrightarrow 2^2 = 4$ D. $\log_5(125) = 3 \leftrightarrow 5^3 = 125$

E. $\log_{49}(7) = \frac{1}{2} \leftrightarrow 49^{\frac{1}{2}} = 7$ F. $x^0 = 1 \leftrightarrow \log_x(1) = 0$

*** Examples (Evaluating Logarithms)**

G. Evaluate $\log_7(343) = 3$ H. Evaluate $\log_6(1/36) = -2$

*** Examples (Evaluating Logarithms Part 2)**

I. Evaluate $\log_8(16)$:
 common base $8^x = 16$
 $(2^3)^x = (2^4)$
 $3x = 4$
 $x = 4/3$

J. Evaluate $\log_{128}(64)$:
 $128^x = 64$
 $(2^7)^x = (2^6)$
 $7x = 6$
 $x = 6/7$

Practice: (Converting Between Forms) Convert each logarithm to exponential form and vice versa.

1. $4^5 = \frac{1}{1024}$

$\log_4\left(\frac{1}{1024}\right) = -5$

3. $\log_2 400 = 2$

$2^2 = 400$

5. $\log_m n = p$

$M^p = n$

7. $\log_{-1} = 0$

$-7^0 = 1$

2. $\log_{12} 1728 = 3$

$12^3 = 1728$

4. $8^2 = 512$

$\log_8(512) = 3$

6. $w^v = z$

$\log_w(z) = v$

8. $9^{-1/2} = 1/3$

$\log_9(1/3) = -1/2$

Practice: (Evaluating Logarithms) Evaluate each logarithm.

9. $\log_3 1/27 = 3^x = \frac{1}{27} \Rightarrow x = -3$

10. $\log_2 16 = 4$

11. $\log_4 1/64 = 4^x = 1/64 \Rightarrow x = -3$

12. $\log_{10} 10000 = 4$

13. $\log_3 1 = 3^x = 1 \Rightarrow x = 0$

14. $\log_{11} 121 = 2$

15. $\log_4 2 = 4^x = 2 \Rightarrow x = 1/2$

16. $\log_8 1/2 = 8^x = 1/2 \Rightarrow (2^3)^x = 2^{-1} \Rightarrow 3x = -1 \Rightarrow x = -1/3$

17. $\log_8 8 = 8^x = 8 \Rightarrow x = 1$

18. $\log_{1/3} 3 = (1/3)^x = 3 \Rightarrow 3^{-x} = 3^1 \Rightarrow -x = 1 \Rightarrow x = -1$

19. $\log_{512} 8 = 512^x = 8 \Rightarrow (8^3)^x = 8^1 \Rightarrow 3x = 1 \Rightarrow x = 1/3$

20. $\log_w 64 = (1/4)^x = 64 \Rightarrow 4^{-x} = 64 \Rightarrow 4^{-x} = 4^3 \Rightarrow -x = 3 \Rightarrow x = -3$

***What about $\log_6(-36)$???

$6^x = -36$
No real solution
argument cannot be negative!

★ MOST COMMON LOGARITHM

↪ A common logarithm is **log base 10**. The base of 10 is typically not written.

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Practice:

21. Evaluate $\log(100)$

$10^x = 100 \Rightarrow x = 2$

22. Evaluate $\log(1/1000)$

23. If $\log(x) = -2$, what is x?

$10^{-2} = x \Rightarrow x = 1/100$

24. If $\log(y) = 4$, what is y?

Practice: (Evaluating Logarithms Part 2) Evaluate each logarithm.

25. $\log_{1/5} 5^{-2} = (1/5)^x = 5^{-2} \Rightarrow 5^{-x} = 5^{-2} \Rightarrow -x = -2 \Rightarrow x = 2$

26. $\log_{1/3} 1/27 = (1/3)^x = 1/27 \Rightarrow 3^{-x} = 3^{-3} \Rightarrow -x = -3 \Rightarrow x = 3$

27. $\log_3(27) = 3^x = 27 \Rightarrow 3^x = 3^3 \Rightarrow x = 3$

28. $\log_{27} 729 = (27)^x = 729 \Rightarrow (3^3)^x = 3^6 \Rightarrow 3x = 6 \Rightarrow x = 2$

29. $\log_{10}(1/10) = 10^x = 1/10 \Rightarrow 10^x = 10^{-1} \Rightarrow x = -1$

30. $\log_{16}(64) = (16)^x = 64 \Rightarrow (2^4)^x = 2^6 \Rightarrow 4x = 6 \Rightarrow x = 3/2$

How has your prior knowledge been helpful in learning about logarithms?
What questions do you still have? ©

$$22) \log(1/1000)$$

$$10^x = \frac{1}{1000} \quad (-3)$$

$$24) \text{ If } \log(y) = 4 \quad y = ?$$

$$10^4 = y \quad (y = 10000)$$

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1. Write $3^{-2} = 1/9$ in logarithmic form.
2. Write $\log_2 32 = 5$ in exponential form.

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3. Evaluate $\log_6(216)$.
4. Evaluate $\log_2(1/32)$.

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→ Another common logarithm is **log base e** (also known as the **natural log**). You can evaluate the natural log of a number using the "LN" button on your calculator! ☺

*e is a mathematical constant, also known as Euler's number, which is helpful in solving exponential functions. The number is irrational and begins with 2.718281828459...

*We will use the natural logarithm to our advantage pretty soon!

Practice: Evaluate each logarithm using your calculator. Round to the nearest ten-thousandth where necessary.

1. $\ln(8) = 2.0794$ 2. $\log(9) = 0.9542$ $\log(0) = \text{undefined}$ 4. $\ln(0.235) = -1.4482$
 5. $\ln(5.2/1.3) = 1.3863$ 6. $\log(-3) = \text{undefined}$ $\log(10^{28}) = 28$ 8. $\ln(e^2) = 2.3$
 $10^x = 10^{28}$ $e^x = e^{2.3}$

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1. Write $3^2 - 1/9$ in logarithmic form. 2. Write $\log_2 32 - 5$ in exponential form.

Exit Slip Evaluating: Complete on a separate sheet of paper please.

3. Evaluate $\log_e(216)$. 4. Evaluate $\log_2(1/32)$.

Exit Slip Common Log: Complete on a separate sheet of paper please.

5. Evaluate $\log(10,000)$. 6. If $\log(1/16) = p$, what is p?
 $p = 1/4$

Exit Slip Evaluating Part 2: Complete on a separate sheet of paper please.

7. Evaluate $\log_{343}(49)$.

Homework: pages 442-444

Converting: #6, 7, 9, 11, 12, 13, 53, 56-60

Evaluating: #14, 16, 18-25, 50, 93-96

Evaluating Part 2: #15, 17, 100 - 103 and 107-109 (throwback, required because practice for the final exam and to prepare for next year!

The following is also part of this section...

Evaluate:

- A. $\log \frac{1}{4} (8)$ B. $\log_{125}(1/5)$ C. $\log_{1.81}(27)$ D. $\log_{16}(1/32)$

*All solutions are on the Unit 7 HW page! ☺ Please ask questions if you have any!