

Notes: Composition notebook out

monomial: a number, variable, or the product of a and one or more variables with nonnegative integer exponents.

Constant: is a monomial that is a real number.

Determine whether each expression is a monomial.

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$f + 24$:

h^2 :

j :

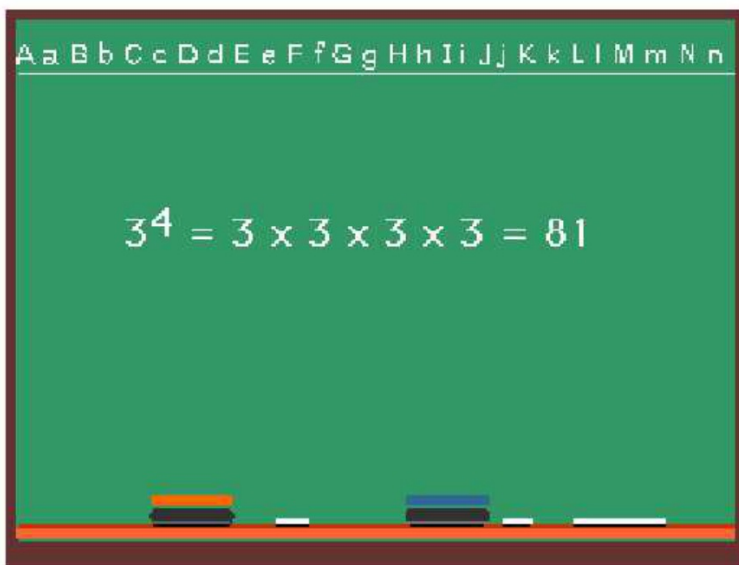
$-x + 5$

$23abcd^2$:

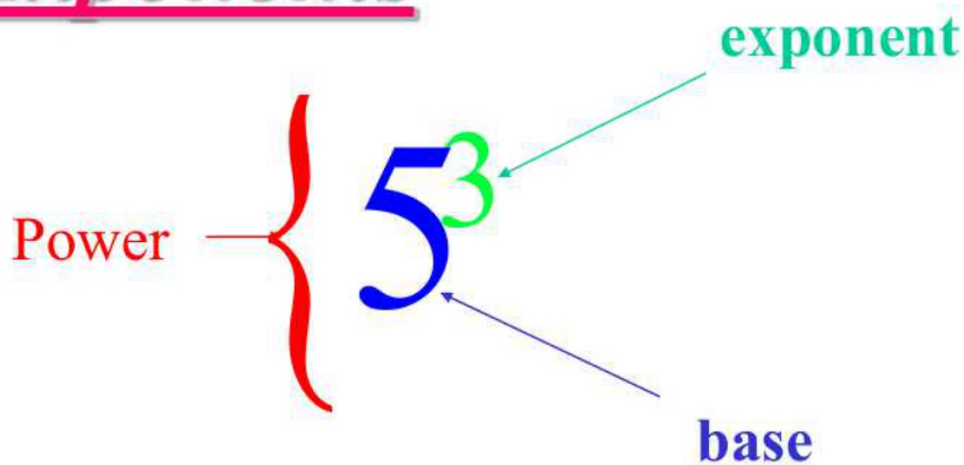
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The Laws of Exponents

So far this seems
pretty easy.



Exponents



Example: $125=5^3$ means that 5^3 is the exponential form of the number 125.

5^3 means 3 factors of 5 or $5 \times 5 \times 5$

The Laws of Exponents:

#1: Exponential form: *The exponent of a power indicates how many times the base multiplies itself.*

$$x^n = \underbrace{x \cdot x \cdot x \cdots x \cdot x \cdot x \cdot x}_{n\text{-times}}$$

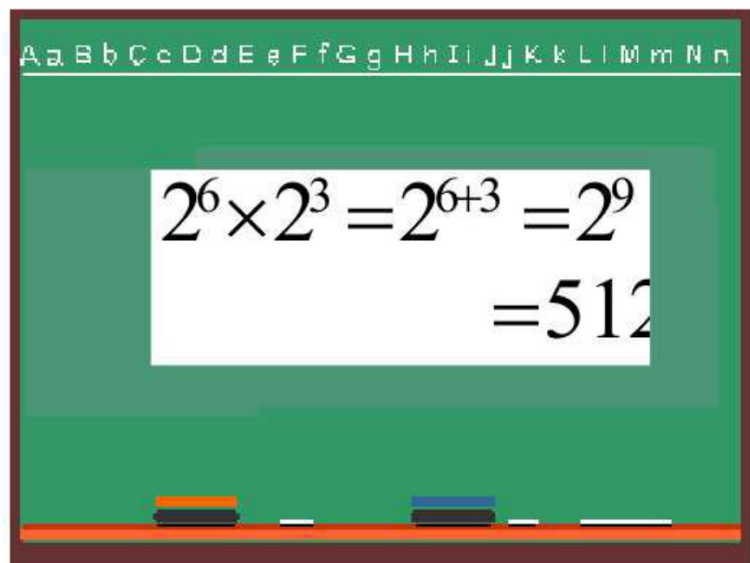
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n factors of x

Example: $5^3 = 5 \cdot 5 \cdot 5$

#2: Multiplying Powers: *If you are multiplying Powers with the same base, KEEP the BASE & ADD the EXPONENTS!*

$$x^m \cdot x^n = x^{m+n}$$

So, I get it!
When you
multiply
Powers, you
add the
exponents!



#3: Dividing Powers: *When dividing Powers with the same base, KEEP the BASE & SUBTRACT the EXPONENTS!*

$$\frac{x^m}{x^n} = x^m \div x^n = x^{m-n}$$

So, I get it!

When you
divide
Powers, you
subtract the
exponents!



$$\frac{2^6}{2^2} = 2^{6-2} = 2^4 = 16$$

Try these:

$$1. \quad 3^2 \times 3^2 =$$

$$2. \quad 5^2 \times 5^4 =$$

$$3. \quad a^5 \times a^2 =$$

$$4. \quad 2s^2 \times 4s^7 =$$

$$5. \quad (-3)^2 \times (-3)^3 =$$

$$6. \quad s^2t^4 \times s^7t^3 =$$

$$7. \quad \frac{s^{12}}{s^4} =$$

$$8. \quad \frac{3^9}{3^5} =$$

$$9. \quad \frac{s^{12}t^8}{s^4t^4} =$$

$$10 \quad \frac{36a^5b^8}{4a^4b^5} =$$

SOLUTIONS

1. $3^2 \times 3^2 = 3^{2+2} = 3^4 = 81$

2. $5^2 \times 5^4 = 5^{2+4} = 5^6$

3. $a^5 \times a^2 = a^{5+2} = a^7$

4. $2s^2 \times 4s^7 = 2 \times 4 \times s^{2+7} = 8s^9$

5. $(-3)^2 \times (-3)^3 = (-3)^{2+3} = (-3)^5 = -243$

6. $s^2t^4 \times s^7t^3 = s^{2+7}t^{4+3} = s^9t^7$

SOLUTIONS

$$7. \frac{s^{12}}{s^4} = s^{12-4} = s^8$$

$$8. \frac{3^9}{3^5} = 3^{9-5} = 3^4 = 81$$

$$9. \frac{s^{12}t^8}{s^4t^4} = s^{12-4}t^{8-4} = s^8t^4$$

$$10. \frac{36a^5b^8}{4a^4b^5} = 36 \div 4 \times a^{5-4}b^{8-5} = 9ab$$

#4: Power of a Power: *If you are raising a Power to an exponent, you multiply the exponents!*

$$\left(x^m\right)^n = x^{mn}$$

So, when I
take a Power
to a power, I
multiply the
exponents



A green chalkboard with a wooden frame. At the top, there is a small banner with the alphabet in two rows: 'Aa Bb Cc Dd Ee Ff Gg Hh Ii Jj Kk Ll Mm Nn'. In the center, the equation $(5^3)^2 = 5^{3 \times 2} = 5^6$ is written in white. At the bottom, there are some chalk pieces and erasers.

#5: Product Law of Exponents: *If the product of the bases is powered by the same exponent, then the result is a multiplication of individual factors of the product, each powered by the given exponent.*

$$(xy)^n = x^n \cdot y^n$$

So, when I take a Power of a Product, I apply the exponent to all factors of the product.



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$$(ab)^2 = a^2b^2$$

#6: Quotient Law of Exponents: *If the quotient of the bases is powered by the same exponent, then the result is both numerator and denominator, each powered by the given exponent.*

$$\left(\frac{x}{y}\right)^n = \frac{x^n}{y^n}$$

So, when I take a Power of a Quotient, I apply the exponent to all parts of the quotient.



$$\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^4 = \frac{2^4}{3^4} = \frac{16}{81}$$

Try these:

$$1. (3^2)^5 =$$

$$2. (a^3)^4 =$$

$$3. (2a^2)^3 =$$

$$4. (2^2 a^5 b^3)^2 =$$

$$5. (-3a^2)^2 =$$

$$6. (s^2 t^4)^3 =$$

$$7. \left(\frac{s}{t}\right)^5 =$$

$$8. \left(\frac{3^9}{3^5}\right)^2 =$$

$$9. \left(\frac{st^8}{rt^4}\right)^2 =$$

$$10. \left(\frac{36a^5 b^8}{4a^4 b^5}\right)^2 =$$

SOLUTIONS

$$1. (3^2)^5 = 3^{10}$$

$$2. (a^3)^4 = a^{12}$$

$$3. (2a^2)^3 = 2^3 a^{2 \times 3} = 8a^6$$

$$4. (2^2 a^5 b^3)^2 = 2^{2 \times 2} a^{5 \times 2} b^{3 \times 2} = 2^4 a^{10} b^6 = 16a^{10}b^6$$

$$5. (-3a^2)^2 = (-3)^2 \times a^{2 \times 2} = 9a^4$$

$$6. (s^2 t^4)^3 = s^{2 \times 3} t^{4 \times 3} = s^6 t^{12}$$

SOLUTIONS

$$7. \left(\frac{s}{t}\right)^5 = \frac{s^5}{t^5}$$

$$8. \left(\frac{3^9}{3^5}\right)^2 = (3^4)^2 = 3^8$$

$$9. \left(\frac{st^8}{rt^4}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{st^4}{r}\right)^2 = \frac{s^2t^8}{r^2}$$

$$10. \left(\frac{36a^5b^8}{4a^4b^5}\right)^2 = (9ab)^2 = 9^2a^2b^{3 \times 2} = 81a^2b^6$$

#7: Negative Law of Exponents: *If the base is powered by the negative exponent, then the base becomes reciprocal with the positive exponent.*

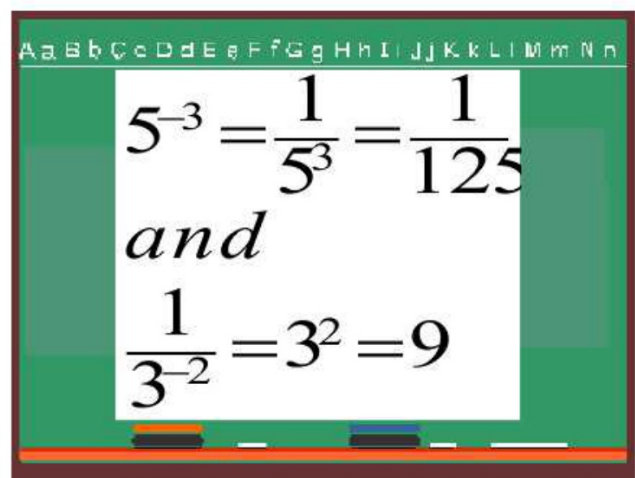
$$x^{-m} = \frac{1}{x^m}$$

So, when I have a Negative Exponent, I switch the base to its reciprocal with a Positive Exponent.

Ha Ha!

If the base with the negative exponent is in the denominator, it moves to the numerator to lose its negative sign!





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

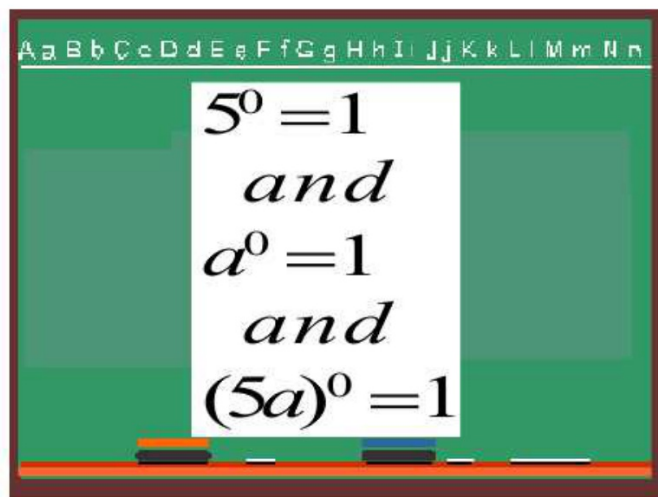
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$\frac{1}{3^{-2}} = 3^2 = 9$

#8: Zero Law of Exponents: *Any base powered by zero exponent equals one.*

$$x^0 = 1$$

So zero factors of a base equals 1. That makes sense! Every power has a coefficient of 1.



Try these:

$$1. (2a^2b)^0 =$$

$$2. y^2 \times y^{-4} =$$

$$3. (a^5)^{-1} =$$

$$4. s^{-2} \times 4s^7 =$$

$$5. (3x^{-2}y^3)^4 =$$

$$6. (s^2t^4)^0 =$$

$$7. \left(\frac{2^2}{x}\right)^{-1} =$$

$$8. \left(\frac{3^9}{3^5}\right)^{-2} =$$

$$9. \left(\frac{s^2t^2}{s^4t^4}\right)^{-2} =$$

$$10. \left(\frac{36a^5}{4a^4b^5}\right)^{-2} =$$

SOLUTIONS

$$1. (2a^2b)^0 = 1$$

$$2. y^2 \times y^{-4} = y^{-2} = \frac{1}{y^2}$$

$$3. (a^5)^{-1} = \frac{1}{a^5}$$

$$4. s^{-2} \times 4s^7 = 4s^5$$

$$5. (3x^{-2}y^3)^{-4} = (3^{-4}x^8y^{-12}) = \frac{x^8}{81y^{12}}$$

$$6. (s^2t^4)^0 = 1$$

SOLUTIONS

$$7. \left(\frac{2^2}{x}\right)^{-1} \left(\frac{4}{x}\right)^{-1} = \frac{x}{4}$$

$$8. \left(\frac{3^9}{3^5}\right)^{-2} = (3^4)^{-2} = 3^{-8} = \frac{1}{3^8}$$

$$9. \left(\frac{s^2 t^2}{s^4 t^4}\right)^{-2} = (s^{-2} t^{-2})^{-2} = s^4 t^4$$

$$10. \left(\frac{36a^5}{4a^4 b^5}\right)^{-2} = 9^{-2} a^{-2} b^{10} = \frac{b^{10}}{81a^2}$$