

Notes: Laws of Exponents Day 1

Base → 5<sup>4</sup> ← Exponent Power

Expanded Form		
3 <sup>3</sup>	3 · 3 · 3	27
3 <sup>2</sup>	3 · 3	9
3 <sup>1</sup>	3	3
3 <sup>0</sup>		1
3 <sup>-1</sup>	1/3	1/3
3 <sup>-2</sup>	1/3 · 1/3	1/9
3 <sup>-3</sup>	1/3 · 1/3 · 1/3	1/27

**Positive Exponents**

3<sup>5</sup> = 3 · 3 · 3 · 3 · 3 = 243

**Zero Exponent**

ANYTHING TO 0 POWER = 1

**Negative Exponents**

Change position, Reciprocal

The rules are the same when the base is a variable:

b<sup>3</sup> = b · b · b      k<sup>0</sup> = 1       $\frac{g^{-5}}{1} = \frac{1}{g^5}$        $\frac{1}{m^{-3}} = \frac{m^3}{1} = m^3$

Exponents are possessive and are only attached to what is directly in front of it

What happens when you multiply?

(4<sup>3</sup>)(4<sup>5</sup>) = (4 · 4 · 4)(4 · 4 · 4 · 4 · 4) = 4<sup>8</sup>

Simplify by expansion:

65536

(x<sup>4</sup>)(x<sup>2</sup>) = (x · x · x · x)(x · x) = x<sup>6</sup>

Simplify by expansion:

**Same Base → Add Exponents**

Use Product of Powers Property  $a^m \cdot a^n = a^{m+n}$

(x<sup>3</sup>)(x<sup>5</sup>) = x<sup>3+5</sup> = x<sup>8</sup>

**Same Base → Subtract Exponents**

Use Division Property  $\frac{a^m}{a^n} = a^{m-n}$

$\frac{4x^{12}}{2x^7} = \frac{4}{2} \cdot \frac{x^{12}}{x^7} = \frac{2}{1} \cdot \frac{x^5}{1} = 2x^5$

$a^4 \cdot a^5 \cdot a^{-2}$   
a<sup>4+5-2</sup> = a<sup>7</sup>

$d^2 \cdot d^{-4} \cdot d^3$   
d<sup>2-4+3</sup> = d<sup>1</sup>

$a^4 \cdot b^5 \cdot a^{-2}$   
(a<sup>4</sup> · a<sup>-2</sup>) b<sup>5</sup>  
a<sup>2</sup> b<sup>5</sup>

$x^3 \cdot x^{-5} \cdot y^{-2}$   
(x<sup>3</sup> · x<sup>-5</sup>) y<sup>-2</sup>  
x<sup>-2</sup> y<sup>-2</sup> =  $\frac{1}{x^2 y^2}$

$\frac{36x^{10}}{48x^8}$

$\frac{36}{48} \cdot \frac{x^{10}}{x^8}$

$\frac{3}{4} \cdot \frac{x^2}{1}$

$\frac{3x^2}{4}$

$\frac{-3^2 x^4}{2^2 x^3}$

$-3^2 \cdot 2^{-2} x^4 \cdot x^{-3}$

$-9 \cdot 4 x^4 \cdot x^{-3}$

$-36x$

$\frac{32x^{-5} y^6 z^0}{40x^{-3} y^2}$

$\frac{32}{40} \cdot \frac{x^{-5}}{x^{-3}} \cdot \frac{y^6}{y^2} \cdot \frac{z^0}{1}$

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

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

$\frac{10 \cdot 1^0}{2^{-2}} \rightarrow 10 \cdot 1^0 \cdot 2^2 = 40$	$\frac{-6^2 \cdot x^{-4}}{1 \cdot 12} = \frac{-6^2}{1} \cdot \frac{1}{x^4}$ $\frac{-36}{x^4}$	$-6^2 \cdot x^4$ $-36x^4$
$\frac{2^{-1}x^4}{3^3} \cdot \frac{x^4}{1} \cdot \frac{1}{2^1 \cdot 3^3}$ $\frac{x^4}{54}$	$\frac{ab^{-3}}{c^0} = \frac{a}{b^3}$	$\frac{-4 \cdot 2^{-3}}{a^{-1}b^2} = \frac{-4a^1}{2^3b^2} = \frac{-4a}{8b^2} = \frac{-a}{2b^2}$

Evaluate for	$x=2$	$y=0$	$w=-3$	$v=1$
$x^y$ $(2)^0 = 1$	$\frac{v^w}{w^y} = \frac{(1)^{-3}}{(-3)^0} = \frac{1}{1}$		$\frac{w^x v^x}{w^w} = \frac{(-3)^2 (1)^2}{(-3)^{-3}} = -243$	$\frac{2wx^y}{2(-3)(2)^0} = -6$

Simplify: use only POSITIVE exponents;

$(15x^5)(\frac{1}{5}x^2y)$ $(15 \cdot \frac{1}{5})(x^5 \cdot x^2)(y)$ $3x^7y$	$x^{-3} \cdot y^{-3} \cdot x^3$ $(x^{-3} \cdot x^3)(y^{-3})$ $\frac{x^0 \cdot y^{-3}}{1} = \frac{1}{y^3}$	$(-4x^{-20})(-4^2x^2)$ $(-4^1 \cdot -4^2)(x^{-20} \cdot x^2)$ $\frac{64x^{-18}}{1} = \frac{64}{x^{18}}$
$\frac{2}{x^3} \cdot \frac{2}{x^{-3}} = \frac{4}{1} \cdot \frac{x^3}{x^3}$ $4$	$\frac{p^6 \cdot \frac{1}{p^0} \cdot 6p}{p^0} = 6p^7$	$(-4)^2(x^{-2}y^4)$ $\frac{16x^{-2}y^4}{1} = \frac{16y^4}{x^2}$
$m^{-4} \cdot n^{-3} \cdot m^{-1}$ $(m^{-4} \cdot m^{-1})(n^{-3})$ $\frac{m^{-5} \cdot n^{-3}}{1} = \frac{1}{m^5 n^3}$	$\frac{16x^{10}y^{-4}}{24x^3y^{-2}}$ $\frac{16}{24} \cdot \frac{x^{10}}{x^3} \cdot \frac{y^2}{y^4}$ $\frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{x^7}{1} \cdot \frac{1}{y^2} = \frac{2x^7}{3y^2}$	$\frac{1}{2p^4} \cdot \frac{2^{-3}}{1}$ $\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2^3} \cdot \frac{1}{p^4} = \frac{1}{16p^4}$
$\frac{2x^{-3}y^4}{3^{-1}x^2y^{-7}}$ $\frac{2 \cdot 3^1}{1} \cdot \frac{1}{x^2x^3} \cdot \frac{y^4y^7}{1}$ $\frac{6y^{11}}{x^5}$	$(12xy^4)(-3x^{-2}y)$ $(12 \cdot -3)(x^1 \cdot x^{-2})(y^4 \cdot y^1)$ $\frac{-36x^{-1}y^5}{1} = \frac{-36y^5}{x}$	$\frac{x^{14}}{x^5} \cdot x^0 = x^9$