

TOPIC: INTRODUCTION TO LOGARITHMS

Evaluate Logarithms

◆ You can evaluate many logarithms using properties that come from the log being the _____ of an exponential.

New Properties of Logarithms			
Name	Example	Property	Description
Inverse Property	$\log_2 2^3 = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$ $2^{\log_2 3} = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$	$\log_b b^x = x$ $b^{\log_b x} = x$	Logs & exponentials w/ the <i>same base</i> _____
Log of the Base	$\log_2 2 = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$	$\log_b b = 1$	Log of its <i>base</i> equals ____
Log of 1	$\log_2 1 = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$ _____ "2 to what power gives 1?"	$\log_b 1 = 0$	ANY log of 1 equals ____

EXAMPLE Using known properties, evaluate the given logarithms.

(A)

$\log_2 \sqrt[3]{2}$

(B)

$\ln 1$

(C)

$\log 10$

(D)

$\log_5 \frac{1}{5}$

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PRACTICE

Evaluate the given logarithm.

(A)

$$\log_7 7^{0.3}$$

(B)

$$\frac{3}{2} \log 1$$

(C)

$$\log_9 \frac{1}{81}$$

TOPIC: PROPERTIES OF LOGARITHMS

Product, Quotient, and Power Rules of Logs

- ◆ Properties of **exponents** correspond to properties of **logarithms** that we can use to **expand** log expressions.

New				Properties of Logarithms	
Name	Exponents	Property	Description		
Product Rule	$b^m \times b^n = b^{m+n}$	$\log_b(m \times n) = \log_b m \text{ ___ } \log_b n$	<i>Multiply</i> terms in a log \rightarrow [ADD SUBTRACT] logs		
		EX. $\log_2 3x =$			
Quotient Rule	$\frac{b^m}{b^n} = b^{m-n}$	$\log_b\left(\frac{m}{n}\right) = \log_b m \text{ ___ } \log_b n$	<i>Divide</i> terms in a log \rightarrow [ADD SUBTRACT] logs		
		EX. $\log_5 \frac{5}{y} =$			
Power Rule	$(b^m)^n = b^{m \cdot n}$	$\log_b m^n = \text{ ___ } \log_b m$	Term to a <i>power</i> \rightarrow _____ log by power		
		EX. $\ln 7^2 =$			

Expand & Condense Expressions Using Properties of Logs

- ◆ You may be given problems in which you are asked to either **expand** **OR** _____ logarithmic expressions.
 - ▶ Properties of logarithms can be applied in _____ directions depending on your goal.

Properties of Logarithms	
Name	Property
Product Rule	$\log_b(m \times n) = \log_b m + \log_b n$
Quotient Rule	$\log_b \left(\frac{m}{n} \right) = \log_b m - \log_b n$
Power Rule	$\log_b m^n = n \log_b m$

EXAMPLE

Expand the log expression as much as possible.

$$\log_2 3xy^2$$

EXAMPLE

Condense the given expression into a single log.

$$2 \ln x - \ln(x + 2)$$

- ◆ When **condensing** logs, remember the base must be the _____ & always apply the power rule _____.

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PRACTICE

Write each logarithmic expression as a single log.

(A)

$$\log_2 \frac{1}{9x} + 2 \log_2 3x$$

(B)

$$\ln \frac{3x}{y} + 2 \ln 2y - \ln 4x$$

PRACTICE

Write each single logarithm as a sum or difference of logs.

(A)

$$\log_3 \left(\frac{\sqrt{x}}{9y^2} \right)$$

(B)

$$\log_5 \left(\frac{5(2x+3)^2}{x^3} \right)$$

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Evaluating Logarithms Using the Change of Base Property

- ◆ If a logarithm doesn't have a base that is easy to evaluate, you can simply _____ the base.
 - You'll most often want to change the base to be either ____ or ____, to easily evaluate with any calculator.

New

Change of Base Property

$$\log_b M = \frac{\log_a M}{\log_a b}$$

$$\log_b M = \frac{\log_{10} M}{\log_{10} b} = \frac{}{}$$
$$\log_b M = \frac{\log_e M}{\log_e b} = \frac{}{}$$

EXAMPLE

Evaluate the given logarithms using the change of base property and a calculator. Use common logs for (A), (B) and natural logs for (C), (D).

(A) $\log_7 31 =$

(B) $\log_\pi 9 =$

(C) $\log_\pi 9 =$

(D) $\log_{\sqrt{3}} e =$

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PRACTICE

Evaluate the given logarithms using the change of base formula and a calculator. Use common logs.

(A)

$$\log_3 17$$

(B)

$$\log_9 67$$

PRACTICE

Evaluate the given logarithms using the change of base formula and a calculator. Use natural logs.

(A)

$$\log_8 41$$

(B)

$$\log_2 3789$$