

# Questions: Laws of indices

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## Summary

A selection of questions for the study guide on laws of indices.

Before attempting these questions, it is highly recommended that you read [Guide: Laws of indices](#).

## Q1

Express each of the following as a single real number.

1.1.  $3^4$

1.2.  $125^{\frac{2}{3}}$

1.3.  $32^{\frac{2}{5}}$

1.4.  $729^{-\frac{2}{3}}$

1.5.  $4^3 \cdot 2^5$

1.6.  $2^2 \cdot 3^2$

1.7.  $8^5 \cdot 6^5$

1.8.  $12^6 \cdot 3^6$

1.9.  $\frac{9^2}{27^2}$

1.10.  $(5^2)^2$

1.11.  $(35^0)^9$

1.12.  $(35^9)^0$

1.13.  $(729^9)^{\frac{1}{9}}$

1.14.  $7^{-3}$

1.15.  $\frac{4^5}{2^5}$

1.16.  $\frac{2^{-2}}{13^{-2}}$

1.17.  $64^{\frac{4}{3}}$

1.18. 
$$\left(\frac{4^3 \cdot 3^3}{6^3}\right)$$

1.19. 
$$\left(\frac{4^2 \cdot 8^2}{2^2}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2$$

1.20. 
$$\frac{\left[\left(\frac{-2}{3}\right)^{-3} \cdot \left(\frac{-3}{5}\right)^{-3}\right]}{\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{-3}}$$

1.21. 
$$\frac{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^4 \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^4}{\left(\frac{8}{3}\right)^4}$$

1.22. 
$$\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{14} \cdot \left(\frac{9}{12}\right)^{14}$$

## Q2

Evaluate the following expressions, writing your answer in the simplest possible form.

2.1.  $(b^7)^4$

2.2.  $y^{13} \cdot y^5$

2.3.  $a^2 \cdot b^2$

2.4.  $\frac{x^{13}}{x^5}$

2.5.  $(y^{-2})^5$

2.6.  $a^{-4} \cdot b^{-4}$

2.7.  $(7z^{-5})^3$

2.8.  $\frac{8x^5}{4x^{-5}}$

2.9.  $(x^2)^3 \cdot x^5$

2.10.  $\frac{2a^{-4}}{3a^{-2}}$

2.11.  $\frac{x^5}{y^5}$

2.12.  $\frac{2y^3}{2y^5}$

2.13.  $\left(\frac{2}{a}\right)^4 \cdot \left(\frac{a}{12}\right)^3$

2.14.  $\frac{25t^{-4}}{60t^5}$

$$2.15. \left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^{-4} \cdot \left(\frac{c}{d}\right)^4 \cdot \left(\frac{e}{f}\right)^4$$

$$2.16. \frac{5^{x+1} \cdot 6^{x+1}}{3^{x+1}}$$

$$2.17. \left(a^{\frac{1}{2}}\right) \cdot \left(b^{-\frac{1}{2}}\right)$$

$$2.18. \left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^n \cdot \left(\frac{c}{d}\right)^{-n}$$

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After attempting the questions above, please click [this link](#) to find the answers..

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