

# Solving Exponential Equations with the Same Base

## Property of Equality for Exponential Equations

If  $b$  is a positive number other than 1, then  $b^x = b^y$  if and only if  $x = y$ .

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|--|--|
| Ex. 1 $9^{2x} = 27^{x-1}$                    | Ex. 2 $100^{7x} = 1000^{3x-2}$                     |
| Ex. 3 $4^x = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{x-3}$ | Ex. 4 $81^{3-x} = \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{5x-6}$ |
| Ex. 4 $\sqrt{5} = 25^{x-1}$                  | Ex. 5 $8^{x-1} = 32^{3x-2}$                        |
| Ex. 5 $3^x = \frac{1}{81}$                   | Ex. 6 $3^x = 9\sqrt{3}$                            |
| Ex. 7 $5^x = 5\sqrt{5}$                      | Ex. 7 $4^{2x} = 16\sqrt[3]{4}$                     |

## Day 2: Exponentials

### Exploring Exponential Models

#### Standard Form of an Exponential Function

Ⓒ The standard form of an exponential function is \_\_\_\_\_

Ⓒ This can also be written as \_\_\_\_\_

Ⓒ  $a$  and  $b$  are constants. " $a$ " is the \_\_\_\_\_ of the function or the \_\_\_\_\_

Ⓒ " $b$ " is the \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ factor

Ⓒ For  $a > 0$

Example:  $y = 2(3)^x$

Ⓒ If \_\_\_\_\_, the function models \_\_\_\_\_

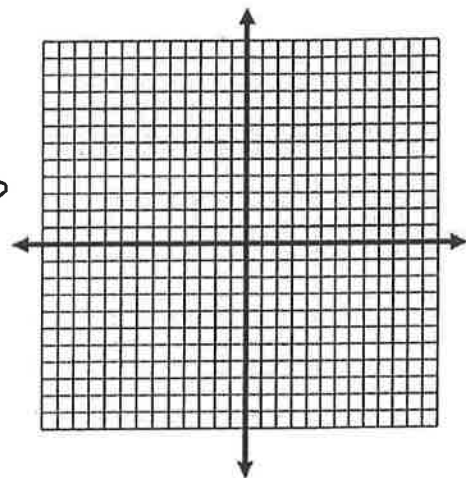
Ⓒ " $b$ " is the growth factor.

Ⓒ Will the value of  $y$  ever equal zero?

Ⓒ What is the domain? Range?

Domain:

Range:



Ⓒ If \_\_\_\_\_, the function models \_\_\_\_\_

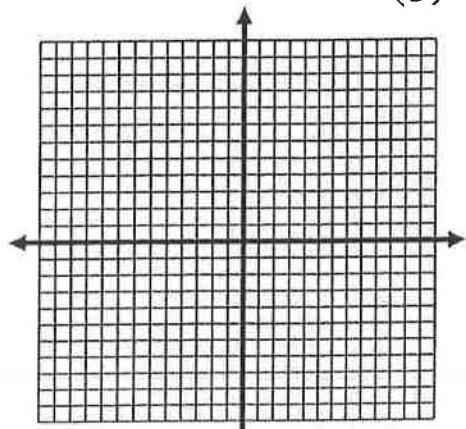
Example:  $y = 1\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^x$

Ⓒ " $b$ " is the decay factor

What is the domain? Range?

Domain:

Range:



Example 0.5 Name the transformations of  $y = 2^x$ . Then, give the domain and range.

A.  $y = 2^x + 7$

B.  $y = 2^{x-3}$

C.  $y = 2^{x+4} - 9$

Example 1: The population of the U.S. in 1994 was about 260 million, with an average annual rate of increase of about 0.7%

Ⓐ What is the growth factor for the U.S. population?

Ⓑ Suppose this rate of growth continues. Write an equation that models the future growth of the U.S. population.

Ⓒ Predict the population in the U.S. in the year 2001.

Example 2: Suppose the population of a certain endangered species decreases at a rate of 3.5% per year. You have counted 80 of these animals in the habitat you are studying.

Ⓐ Write the equation for the population each year.

Ⓑ Predict the number of animals that will remain after 10 years.

Ⓒ At this rate, after how many years will the population first drop below 15 animals?

Example 3: A car that 5 years ago cost \$20,000, is now worth only \$13,500. What is the average annual rate of depreciation?

Example 4: Given the function  $y = 5(1.61)^x$ , state whether the function represents growth or decay and state the percentage rate of increase or decrease.

Example 5: Given the function  $y = 3(.56)^x$ , state whether the function represents growth or decay and state the percentage rate of increase or decrease.

### I. Half Life

Ⓐ The half life of a substance is the time it takes for half of the material to

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Ⓑ A 3000-mg sample of a certain radioactive element has a half life of 3 seconds. How much of the sample remains after 1 minute?

- Arsenic-74 is used to locate brain tumors. It has a half life of 17.5 days. Write the exponential decay function of a 90-mg sample. Use the function to find the amount remaining after 6 days.

## II. Compound Interest

- The compound interest formula for the amount  $A$  in an account is

\_\_\_\_\_

$P =$  \_\_\_\_\_       $r =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$n =$  \_\_\_\_\_       $t =$  \_\_\_\_\_

- Jodie's parents started a savings account for her when she was born. They invested \$500 in an account that pays 6% interest compounded annually. Find the balance of the account after each of the first three years.

- Graham's grandparents started a savings account for him when he was born. They invested \$100 in an account with 8% annual interest compounded quarterly. How much is in his account on his 16<sup>th</sup> birthday?

## Logarithmic Functions Notes

Logarithm: In general, the inverse of  $y = b^x$  is  $x = b^y$ . In  $x = b^y$ ,  $y$  is called the logarithm of  $x$ . It is usually written as  $y = \log_b x$  and is read "y equals log base b of x."

\*\*The inverse function of the exponential functions with base  $b$ , is called the logarithmic function with base  $b$ .  
For  $x > 0, b > 0, b \neq 1$ ,

$$b^x = y \quad \longrightarrow \quad x = \log_b y$$

EXPONENTIAL FORM LOGARITHM FORM

### I. Rewriting in both forms.

Example 1) Rewrite logarithmic each equation in its equivalent exponential form.

a.  $\log_5 x = 2$

d.  $3 = \log_b 64$

b.  $\log_3 7 = y$

e.  $3 = \log_7 x$

c.  $2 = \log_b 25$

f.  $\log_4 26 = y$

Example 2) Rewrite each exponential equation in its equivalent logarithmic form.

a.  $12^2 = x$

d.  $b^3 = 8$

b.  $2^5 = x$

e.  $b^3 = 27$

c.  $8^3 = c$

f.  $4^y = 9$

### II. Basic and Inverse Log Properties- Because logs are exponents, they have properties that can be verified using the properties of exponents.

Basic Properties:

1.  $\log_b b = 1$  because  $b^1 = b$

2.  $\log_b 1 = 0$  because  $b^0 = 1$

Inverse Properties: (Cancel with the same base!)

1.  $\log_b b^x = x$

2.  $b^{\log_b x} = x$

Example 3) Evaluate using the log properties.

a.  $\log_7 7$

e.  $\log_9 9$

b.  $\log_5 1$

f.  $\log_8 1$

c.  $\log_4 4^5$

g.  $6^{\log_6 9}$

d.  $\log_7 7^8$

h.  $3^{\log_3 17}$

II. Common Logarithm: Base 10 Logarithm, usually written without the subscript 10.

$\log_{10} x = \log x, x > 0$ . Most calculators have a LOG key for evaluating common logarithms. The calculator is programmed in base 10.

Example 4) Find the value of each log. Round to the nearest ten-thousandths.

a.  $\log 81,000$

c.  $\log 0.35$

b.  $\log 6$

d.  $\log 0.0027$

V. Evaluating Logs using the Change of Base Formula

For all positive numbers, a, b, and n, where  $a \neq 1$  and  $b \neq 1$ ,

$$\log_a n = \frac{\log_b n}{\log_b a}$$

Example:  $\log_5 12 = \frac{\log_{10} 12}{\log_{10} 5}$

This formula allows us to evaluate a logarithmic expression of any base by translating the expression into one that involves common logarithms.

Example 5) Evaluate each logarithm

a.  $\log_3 18$

d.  $\log_{25} 5$

b.  $\log_4 25$

e.  $\log_2 1024$

c.  $\log_2 16$

f.  $\log_5 125$

V. Solving for variables with exponentials and logs.

\*\*\*\*MAY HAVE TO REWRITE AND APPLY PROPERTIES OR CHANGE OF BASE FORMULA!!!

Example 6) Solve for the variable:

a.  $\log_3 243 = y$

b.  $\log_9 x = -3$

c.  $\log_8 n = \frac{4}{3}$

Example 7) Evaluate:

a.  $\log_8 8^4 = x$

b.  $\log_9 9^2 = y$

Example 8) Solve each log equation. Be sure to check your answers!

a.  $\log_3(3x - 6) = \log_3(2x + 1)$

b.  $\log_6(3x - 1) = \log_6(2x + 4)$

## Solving using Simple Logarithms

| SWOOSH Method                                     | Change of Base                                    | Log = Log  |
|---|---|--|
| $\text{Log}_\#(x) = \#$                           | $\text{Log}_\#(\#) = x$                           | $\text{Log}(x) = \text{Log}(x)$  |
| Use when a variable is attached to the logarithm. | Use when a constant is attached to the logarithm. | Use when <u>one</u> log is = to <u>one</u> other log. Logs must have the same base in order to cancel. |

**Example 1:** Solving using the SWOOSH Method

a)  $\text{Log}_2(2x + 1) = 4$

b)  $\text{Log}_4(17x - 4) = 3$

c)  $\text{Log}(2x - 5) = 2$

**Example 2:** Solving using Change of Base

a)  $\text{Log}_2 8 = 3x + 3$

b)  $\text{Log}_5 125 = x^2 - 2x$

c)  $\text{Log}_2 16 = x^2$

**Example 3:** Solve by canceling the logs!

a)  $\log_4(3x - 1) = \log_4(2x + 3)$

b)  $\log_2(x - 6) = \log_2(2x + 2)$

## Properties of Logarithms

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Objective: To apply the properties of logs to condense and expand logarithms and to use these properties to solve logarithmic equations.

### Properties of Logarithms

1. Product Property:  $\log_b mn =$
2. Quotient Property:  $\log_b \frac{m}{n} =$
3. Product Property:  $\log_b m^x =$

**Example 1: Condense the following logarithmic expressions using the properties of logs**

A.  $\log x + \log 2 + \log y$

B.  $\log_2 x - \log_2 7$

C.  $2\log x + \log y$

D.  $\frac{1}{2}\log_3 x + 2\log_3 y$

E.  $\frac{1}{4}\log x - (2\log y - 5\log z)$

**Example 2 Expand the following the logarithmic expressions using the properties of logs**

A.  $\log(xyz)$

B.  $\log_2 \frac{4x}{y}$



**Example 3** Solve the following logarithmic equations.

A.  $\log_3 5 + \log_3 x = \log_3 10$

B.  $\log_2 x + \log_2(x + 2) = 3$

C.  $\log 16 - \log 2x = \log 2$

D.  $4\log_2 x + \log_2 5 = \log_2 405$

E.  $\log(x + 21) + \log x = 2$

F.  $2\log_2(x + 2) = 10$

## 2.5 Equations without Logs

SWBAT solve equations initially without logarithms by using either similar bases or the properties of logs.

Solving equations with NO logs!

### Method 1: Similar Bases

(Note: Does not work for every problem)

**Step 1:** Isolate the Base

**Step 2:** Write both sides of the equation as an exponential with like bases.

**Step 3:** Set exponents equal to each other.

**Step 4:** Solve for the unknown.

**Example 1:**  $2^{2x+1} = 32^x$

**Example 2:**  $-5 + 5^{3x-9} = 120$

**Example 3:** Solve for x:  $3^{2x} = 27$

**You Try!** Solve for x:  $2^x = 8$

Why would you need to use a log? Because the variable is in the \_\_\_\_\_ and logs bring them down!

### Method 2: Properties of Logs

**Step 1:** Make sure the piece with the unknown exponent is \_\_\_\_\_ on one side,

**Step 2:** \_\_\_\_\_ the logarithm to each side.

**Step 3:** Use the \_\_\_\_\_ to bring down the exponent and solve!

**Example 1:** Solve for x:  $5^{3x} = \frac{1}{125}$

**You Try!** Solve for x:  $2^{5x+1} = 32$

**Example 2:** Solve for x:  $3^x + 5 = 40$

**You Try!** Solve for x:  $2(6^{2x}) = 20$

### The Many Ways to Solve a Logarithmic Equation

|          |   |  |
|----------|---|--|
| One Log  | <p><b>SWOOSHI</b><br/>Use when a variable is attached to the logarithm.</p>   | Solve for x: $\log_4(4x - 2) = 3$        |
|          | <p><b>Change of Base</b><br/>Use when the variable is <u>not</u> attached to the logarithm.</p>   | Solve for x: $\log_2 45 = x$             |
| Two Logs | <p><b>Cancel the logs!</b><br/>Do this if and only if there is <u>one</u> log per side.</p>   | Solve for x: $\log_6 x = \log_6 2x - 2$  |
|          | <p><b>Condense the logs</b><br/>So that only one log appears per side. Then, decide whether to cancel, swoosh, or use change of base.</p> | Solve for x: $3 \log_2 x + \log_2 5 = 7$ |
| No Logs  | <p><b>Add a Log!</b><br/>Use this if you cannot get similar bases.</p>  | Solve for x: $7^{x-3} + 5 = 30$          |
|          | <p><b>Similar Bases!</b><br/>Break each base down so that they are the same, cancel the bases, and work only with the exponents!</p>      | Solve for x: $25^{2x} = 125$             |

**Practice:** Complete the following problems for extra practice using the above rules for solving logarithms.

1.  $2 \log_4 x = 12$

2.  $\log 5x - \log 7 = 2$

3.  $\log_5 15 = 3x$

4.  $4^{3x} \cdot 4^{2x} = 1048576$

## Natural Logarithms and Base e

The Natural Base \_\_\_\_\_ is an irrational number and is approximately \_\_\_\_\_. It is often called \_\_\_\_\_ number.

### Ex. 1 Simplify natural base expressions

|                    |                         |                  |                         |
|--------------------|-------------------------|------------------|-------------------------|
| A. $e^2 \cdot e^5$ | B. $\frac{12e^4}{3e^2}$ | C. $(5e^{-3})^2$ | D. $5e^{-3} \cdot 2e^2$ |
|--------------------|-------------------------|------------------|-------------------------|

### Ex. 2 Use your calculator to evaluate Natural Base Expressions

|              |             |          |
|--------------|-------------|----------|
| A. $e^{0.5}$ | B. $e^{-8}$ | C. $e^2$ |
|--------------|-------------|----------|

Natural Logarithm is a logarithm with base \_\_\_\_\_.

The Natural logarithm function is \_\_\_\_\_.

### Example 3 Evaluate Natural Base Expressions

|            |                      |               |            |
|------------|----------------------|---------------|------------|
| A. $\ln 3$ | B. $\ln \frac{1}{4}$ | C. $\ln 0.05$ | D. $\ln e$ |
|------------|----------------------|---------------|------------|

### Example 4 Simplify the expression

|                        |                  |               |            |
|------------------------|------------------|---------------|------------|
| A. $\frac{\ln e^4}{8}$ | B. $\ln e^{8.3}$ | C. $10 \ln e$ | D. $\ln 1$ |
|------------------------|------------------|---------------|------------|

**Example 5** Write each as a single logarithm. Use the properties to condense.

A.  $3 \ln 5$

B.  $\ln 24 - \ln 6$

C.  $\frac{1}{3}(\ln x + \ln y) - 4 \ln z$

D.  $2 \ln 8 - 3 \ln 4$

**Example 6** Solve Base e Equations Remember....Isolate the e. Then take the ln of each side.

A.  $e^{\frac{x}{4}} + 3 = 9$

B.  $5e^{-x} - 7 = 2$

C.  $e^{3x+1} = e^{13}$

**Example 7** Solve Natural Log Equations

A.  $\ln 5 - \ln x = 4$

B.  $\ln(2m + 3) = 8$

C.  $\ln \frac{x-3}{4} = 8$

### Applications of Natural Logs and Base e

\*\*\*To calculate continuously compounded interest, we use the formula:

$y =$

$r =$

$P =$

$t =$

**Example 6:** How much money will be in a bank account after 1.5 years if you invested \$400 at 7.6% compounded continuously?

**Practice:** Complete the following problems for class work. Show all work.

1. Solve  $\ln(14x - 3) = \ln(7x + 11)$

2. Solve  $2e^x - 5 = 1$

3.  $\ln(x - 1) = -2$

4.  $\ln(2x - 3) = 2.5$

5.  $\ln 48 - \ln x = \ln 4$

6.  $e^{3x} \cdot e^x = 15$

**Mixed Review:** Remember, all logarithms share the same rules. Always condense first before solving!

7.  $4^{3x} = 12$

8.  $\log_6 x + \log_6 9 = \log_6 54$

9.  $\log_2 x = -3$

10.  $\log_2 64 = x$

11.  $\log_2 x - \log_2 5 = 3$

12.  $\ln 4x + \ln 5 = \ln 20$

13. Mazie invested \$4500 in an account earning 4.3% interest compounded continuously. After how many years will she have \$7400 in her account?

## 2.7 Graphing Exponentials and Logs

SWBAT graph exponential and logarithmic functions on the coordinate plane.

| Exponential Function                                    |  | Logarithmic Function                                  |  |
|---|--|---|--|
| A function whose unknown (x) is located in the exponent |  | The inverse function of an exponential function.      |  |
| <b>Transformations:</b> $y = a(b)^{(x-h)} + k$          |  | <b>Transformations:</b> $y = a \cdot \log_b(x-h) + k$ |  |
| <b>Domain:</b>  |  | <b>Domain:</b>  |  |
| <b>Range:</b>   |  | <b>Range:</b>   |  |
| <b>Asymptote:</b>                                       |  | <b>Asymptote:</b>                                     |  |

### Example 2: Graphing Exponential Functions

a) Graph  $y = 2^{x+3} - 5$

Transformations:

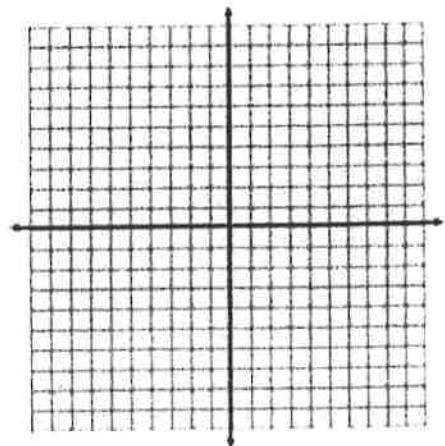
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b) Graph  $y = -3^{x-1} + 6$

Transformations:

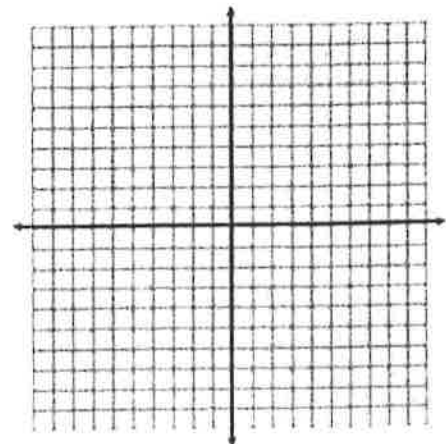
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**Example 3: Graphing Logarithmic Functions**

a) Graph  $y = \log_2 x - 3$

Transformations:

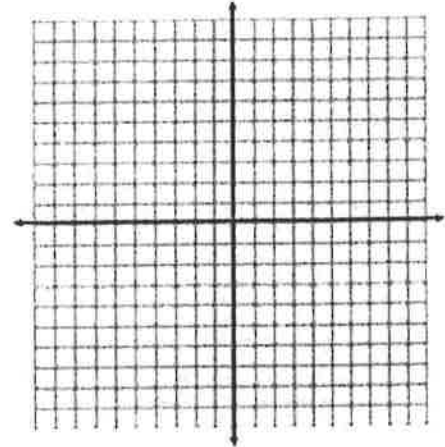
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b) Graph  $y = -\log_4(x + 4) + 2$

Transformations:

Asymptote:

Domain:

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End Behavior:

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