

# Honors Algebra 2

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## CHAPTER ONE

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### Radical and Polynomial Operations

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#### Lesson 1: Rational Exponents

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In this lesson, I go over how you:

- Convert radical expressions to rational exponents.
- Convert rational exponents to radical expressions.

**Definition 1** (Simplifying radical expressions). Rational expressions can be written as radical exponents.

$$\begin{aligned}t^{\frac{3}{4}} &= t^{\frac{3}{4}} \times t^{\frac{3}{4}} \times t^{\frac{3}{4}}. \\ \sqrt[4]{t^3} &= \sqrt[4]{t} \times \sqrt[4]{t} \times \sqrt[4]{t}. \\ t^{\frac{3}{4}} &= \sqrt[4]{t^3}.\end{aligned}$$

**Definition 2** (Simplifying radical expressions). Radical expressions can be written as rational exponents.

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt[5]{x^3} &= \sqrt[5]{x} \times \sqrt[5]{x} \times \sqrt[5]{x}. \\ x^{\frac{3}{5}} &= x^{\frac{1}{5}} \times x^{\frac{1}{5}} \times x^{\frac{1}{5}}. \\ x^{\frac{3}{5}} &= \sqrt[5]{x^3}.\end{aligned}$$

### Quiz Questions

**Question 1.** Which of the following is the radical expression of  $4d^{\frac{3}{8}}$ ?

Answer

$$\sqrt[8]{4d^3}$$

**Question 2.** Which of the following is the radical expression of  $4d^{\frac{3}{8}}$ ?

Answer

$$4\sqrt[8]{d^3}$$

**Question 3.** Which of the following is the rational exponent expression of  $\sqrt[4]{f}$ ?

Answer

$$f^{\frac{1}{4}}$$

**Question 4.** Which of the following is the rational exponent expression of  $\sqrt[3]{4n}$ ?

Answer

$$4n^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

**Question 5.** Which of the following is the simplified form of  $\sqrt[5]{x} \times \sqrt[5]{x} \times \sqrt[5]{x} \times \sqrt[5]{x}$ ?

Answer

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

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Todo list

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