

3.7 Pretest: Exponents

A.SSE.3c Exponent properties

Do Not Use a Calculator

1. Select all of the solutions to $x^2 = 16$.

(a) $x = 4$

(d) $x = -8$

(b) $x = -4$

(e) $x = 16$

(c) $x = 8$

(f) $x = -16$

2. Find the value of each variable that makes the equation true.

(a) $5^2 \cdot 5^3 = 5^a$

(d) $(4^3)^5 = 4^d$

(b) $\frac{3^7}{3^6} = 3^b$

(e) $2^e = \frac{1}{2}$

(c) $7^c = 1$

(f) $3^4 \cdot f^4 = 15^4$

3. Evaluate each expression.

(a) $\frac{1}{4} \cdot 24$

(c) $\frac{3}{5} \cdot 8 \cdot \frac{5}{3}$

(b) $\frac{3}{2} \cdot 10$

(d) $\frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{5}{2} \cdot 9$

4. $p = 3x + 1$ and $q = 2x - 5$.

For each expression, write an equivalent expression in standard form.

(a) $p + q$

(b) $p - q$

(c) pq

5. Identify the expressions that are equal to $\frac{2^2}{2^4}$

(a) 2^6

(d) $\frac{1}{4}$

(b) $\frac{1}{2^2}$

(e) 2^2

(c) 2^{-2}

(f) 0.5

6. Identify the expressions that are equal to 2^{-3}

(a) $2.333\dots$

(d) $\frac{1}{8}$

(b) $\sqrt{2}$

(e) 6

(c) $\frac{1}{2^3}$

(f) 0.125

7. Identify the expressions that are equal to $9^{\frac{1}{2}}$

(a) 9.5

(d) 3

(b) $\sqrt{3}$

(e) 81

(c) $\sqrt{9}$

(f) 4.5

A2-F.BF.2 Write arithmetic and geometric sequences with recursive formulas

8. Write a recursive definition of the sequence $a_1 = 3$, $a_2 = 6$, $a_3 = 12$, $a_4 = 24, \dots$

9. A geometric sequence begins $1, 3, 9, \dots$

(a) Write the first six terms of the sequence.

(b) Find the common ratio r .

(c) Find the sum of the first six terms of the sequence.

(d) Find the sum of the first 20 terms of the sequence.

10. Find all values of x that make the equation true.

(A.REI.4 Solve quadratics)

$$x - 1 = \frac{12}{x}$$

11. Given the rational function $r(x) = -1 + \frac{x+2}{x-1}$. (F.IF.7d Graph rational functions)

(a) Sketch a graph of the function.

(b) Mark the vertical asymptote as dotted line and label it with its equation.

(c) Explain why the asymptote is located there.

