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Solve each equation.

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10. $36^{2x - 7} = 6^{x - 5}$

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 $-\frac{54}{5}$

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 $\frac{27}{5}$

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Sample answer: First, raise each side to the $\left(\frac{q}{p}\right)$ power. By the Power of a Power Property, $\left(\frac{p}{q}\right)\left(\frac{q}{p}\right) = 1$, and x to the first power is x . So $x = a^{\frac{q}{p}}$.

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base = 4 m, height = 8 m