## Lesson 2.3 Powers of Ten

An **exponent** is a number that shows how many times a base number is to be used in multiplication. A **power of ten** is an exponent where the base number is always 10.

$$\begin{array}{l} 10^{1} = 1\underline{0} = 1\underline{0} \\ 10^{2} = 1\underline{0} \times 1\underline{0} = 1\underline{00} \\ 10^{3} = 1\underline{0} \times 1\underline{0} \times 1\underline{0} = 1,\underline{000} \\ 10^{4} = 1\underline{0} \times 1\underline{0} \times 1\underline{0} \times 1\underline{0} = 10,\underline{000} \end{array}$$

Convert the values below to a power of ten.

- a
- 1. 100,000

- b
- 1,000,000

c 10

**2.** 10,000,000

100

1,000,000,000

Convert these powers of ten to standard numbers.

- 3.
- 10<sup>7</sup>

- b
- 105

103

- 4.
- 108

1012

10<sup>6</sup>