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## MHF4U Test #6: Exponential and Logarithmic Functions

K &amp; U: 125 /18

APP: 9 /16

Comm: 6 /8

TIPS: 7 /11

## Part A: Knowledge and Understanding. [18 marks]

1. Fill in the blanks. [13 marks]

a) Simplify the logarithm  $\log_a \sqrt[n]{a}$

$\frac{1}{n} \checkmark$

b) Simplify the logarithm  $2^{\log_2(3x+4)}$

$3x+4 \checkmark$

c) The restriction on  $\log_2(x+2) + \log_2(x-2)$  is  
 $x = -2$        $x = 2$

$x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x > 2 \checkmark$

d) Express  $3 \log C - \log P - h \log O$  (... letter O, not 'zero' ...)

$\log \frac{C^3}{P} \checkmark$

e) Simplify  $\log_a 27 + \log_a 4 - \log_a 12$  (exact value, no decimals)

$\log_a 9 \checkmark$

f) The population of a colony of ants, after 't' weeks, is modelled by  $P(t) = 1000(1.28)^t$ . What is the doubling time, expressed to two decimal places?

$2000 = 1000(1.28)^t$

$2 = 1.28^t$

$t = 2.81$

$1\frac{1}{2} \checkmark$

$2.81 \text{ weeks} \checkmark$

g) Given  $2^x = 3^{x+1}$ , solve for 'x'. Express your answer as an exact value!

$\checkmark \checkmark$

$x = -\frac{\log 3}{\log 3 - \log 2} \checkmark$

h) Simplify  $\log_3 x + \log_9 x + \log_{27} x$ . Express as an exact value.  $1\frac{1}{2} \checkmark$

i) Evaluate the following by first rewriting the logarithm with an appropriate base change (not base 10 or e), then simplifying. Express your answer as an exact value, in fraction form.  $\checkmark \checkmark$

$\log_{243} 81 = \log_{3^5} 3^4$   
 $= \frac{4}{5}$

j) Rewrite  $\log_4 8x^3$  in terms of  $\log_2 x$

$\log_2 2^3 (2^4)(x^3)$

$\log_2 \frac{1}{2} x^3 ?$

$\checkmark \checkmark$

$\log_2 x^3 - 1 \checkmark$

$8 \checkmark$

2. Given  $\log_a 3 = 0.6131$  and  $\log_a 8 = 1.1606$ , rewrite the following in terms of  $\log_a 3$  and  $\log_a 8$ , then evaluate the following. [5 marks]

a)  $\log_a 72$

$$= \log_a (3 \cdot 3 \cdot 8) \quad \checkmark$$

$$= \log_a 3 + \log_a 3 + \log_a 8$$

$$= 0.6131 + 0.6131 + 1.1606 \quad \checkmark$$

$$= 2.3868$$

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b)  $\log_a 3.375$

$$= \log_a \left( \frac{3 \cdot 3 \cdot 3}{8} \right)$$

$$= \log_a 3 + \log_a 3 + \log_a 3 - \log_a 8$$

$$= 0.6131 + 0.6131 + 0.6131 - 1.1606$$

$$= 0.233 \quad ? \times$$

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### Part B: Application. [16 marks]

3. Use the laws of logarithms to express the following as a single logarithm. Show a logical progression to be awarded full marks. [6 marks]

a)  $\log_a 36 - \left( 2 \left( \frac{1}{\log_9 a} \right) - 3 \log_a x \right)$

$$= \log_a 36 - \left( \frac{2}{\log_9 a} - 3 \log_a x \right)$$

$$= \log_a 36 - \frac{2}{\log_9 a} + \log_a x^3$$

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b)  $(2 \log_2 10a) - \left( \frac{1}{2} \log_2 25b \right) - \left( 3 \frac{\log c}{\log 2} \right)$

$$= \log_2 (10a)^2 - \log_2 (25b)^{\frac{1}{2}} - 3 \log c - 3 \log 2 \quad ?$$

$$= \log_2 (100a^2) - \log_2 (5b^{\frac{1}{2}}) - \log c^3 - \log 2^3 \quad ?$$

$$= \log_2 \frac{100a^2}{5b^{\frac{1}{2}}} - \log c^3 - \log 2^3 \quad ?$$

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4. A \$2000 investment earns 8% interest, compounded monthly. Write an equation for the value of the investment as a function of time, in years, then determine how long it would take for the investment to triple in value. [3 marks]

$$A(t) = 2000 \left( 1 + \frac{0.08}{12} \right)^t \quad \frac{0.08}{12} = 0.0066$$

$$6000 = 2000 \left( 1.0066 \right)^t \quad ?$$

$$3 = \left( 1.0066 \right)^t$$

$$\frac{\log 3}{\log 1.0066} = \frac{t}{12}$$

$$167.005 = \frac{t}{12}$$

$$t = 167$$

∴ It will take 167 years  
to triple in value

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5. Solve the following equations. Express your answer as exact values. [7 marks]

a)  $3^{x+1} + 3^x = 96$  ✓✓✓  
 $=$

b)  $\log_9(2x-5) + \log_9(x-3) = \frac{1}{2}$  ✓✓✓✓  
 $\log_9(2x-5)(x-3) = 9^{\frac{1}{2}}$  ... not on the same line  
 $2x-5 > 0$ ?  
 $2x^2 - 11x + 15 = 3$   
 $2x^2 - 11x + 12 = 0$   
 $(x-4)(2x-3) = 0$   
 $x-4=0 \quad 2x-3=0$   
 $x=4 \quad x=\frac{3}{2}$  must be  $> \frac{5}{2}$   
 $\therefore$  the values are  $x=4$

**Part C: Communication. [8 marks]**

6. Use the laws of logarithms to rewrite the function  $y = \log_2 8x^5$  in terms of  $\log_2 x$ . Use this new expression to describe the transformations on this new logarithmic function. [5 marks]

$$\begin{aligned} y &= \log_2 8x^5 && \text{stretch the logarithmic function (base of 2)} \\ &= \log_2 8 + \log_2 x^5 && \text{by a factor of 5. Then translate it} \\ &= \log_2 8 + 5 \log_2 x && 3 \text{ units up} \\ &= 3 + 5 \log_2 x \\ &= 5 \log_2 x + 3 \end{aligned}$$

7. Does the equation below have an extraneous root? Explain what an extraneous root is, and why not all of the answers found would satisfy. [3 marks]

$$\begin{aligned} \log_2(x-4) + \log_2(x+3) &= 3 \\ \log_2(x-4)(x+3) &= 3 \\ (x-4)(x+3) &= 2^3 \\ x^2 - 16 &= 8 \\ x^2 &= 24 \end{aligned}$$

extraneous root is a root for the equation, but it can't be used. logs can't have a negative number

Therefore, only

$+\sqrt{24}$  will satisfy.  
 $-\sqrt{24}$  would not.

$\sqrt{24}$   $\downarrow$   
 $+\sqrt{24} > \sqrt{24}$  ← can't have negative number because you can't have negative number into  $\log_{10}(x)$

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**Part D: Thinking, Inquiry and Problem Solving. [11 marks]**

8. If  $\log_3 b = x$  and  $\log_a 3 = n$ , express the following in terms of ' $n$ ' and ' $x$ '. Express your answer as a single rational expression, showing a logical progression to be awarded full marks. [4 marks]

$$\log_{b^2}(27a^5)$$

$$= \log_{b^2}(27) + \log_{b^2}(a^5)$$

$$= \log_{b^2}(27) + 5 \log_{b^2} a$$

sub ② and ③ into

$$= \log_{3^{2x}}(27) + 5 \log_{3^{2x}}(3^n)$$

$$= \log_{9^x}(27 * 243^n)$$

$$\log_3 b = x$$

$$b = 3^x \quad ②$$

$$\log_a 3 = n$$

$$3 = a^n \quad ①$$

$$\frac{\log 3}{\log a} = n \quad ?$$

$$\frac{0.47712}{\log a} = n$$

$$\log a = 0.47712 n$$

$$a = 10^{0.47712 n}$$

$$a = 3^n \quad ③$$

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9. Solve the following. [5 marks]

$$\frac{1}{5 - \log x} + \frac{2}{1 + \log x} = 1$$

$$\frac{1}{5-K} + \frac{2}{1+K} = 1$$

$$\frac{1+K+2(5+K)}{(5-K)(1+K)} = 1$$

$$\frac{1+K+10+2K}{5+4K-K^2} = 1$$

$$\frac{-K^2-3K+11}{5+4K-K^2} = 1$$

$$-3K+11 = -K^2+4K+5$$

$$K^2-K+6 = 0$$

$$(K-3)(K+2) = 0$$

can't = -

Let  $K$  rep  $\log x$

sub  $\log x$  into  $K$

$$(K-3)(K+2) = 0$$

$$\log x = 3 \quad \log x = -2$$

$$x = 10^3 \quad x = 10^{-2}$$

$$= 1000 \quad = 0.01$$

Therefore, the values that satisfy are  $x = 1000$  or  $x = 0.01$

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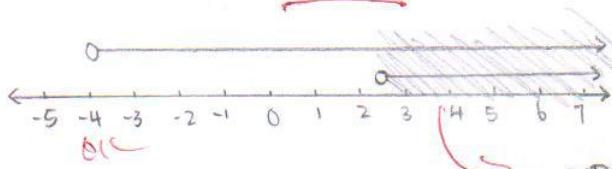
10. Determine the restrictions on the expression  $\log(x+4) + \log(-2x+5)$ . Show work to justify your answer. [2 marks]

$$x+4 = 0 \quad -2x+5 = 0$$

~~$x = -4$~~   
can't be negative

$$-2x = -5 \quad x = \frac{5}{2}$$

(1.5)



$$x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \left\{ x > \frac{5}{2} \right\}$$