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1. Evaluate each of the following using the definition of Absolute value.
a) $|x - 2| = 6$ b) $|2n + 1| = 11$ c) $\left|\frac{3}{k-1}\right| = 4$ d) $\left|x - \frac{2}{3}\right| = \frac{3}{4}$ e) $|-4|$ f) $|4|$
g) $|2x - 3| \leq 5$ h) $|5x - 4| \leq 8$
2. State the property that justifies each of the statements
a) $x(2) = 2(x)$ b) $(7+4)+6=7+(4+6)$ c) $1(x)=x$ d) $\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) = 1$
3. Evaluate each of the following if x is a nonzero real number.
a) $\frac{|x|}{x}$ b) $\frac{x}{|x|}$ c) $\frac{|-x|}{-x}$ d) $|x| - |-x|$
4. Evaluate each of the algebraic expressions for the given values of the variables
a) $|x - y| - |x + y|$; if $x = -4$ and $y = -7$
b) $|3x + y| + |2x - 4y|$; if $x = 5$ and $y = -3$
c) $\left|\frac{x-y}{y-x}\right|$ if $x = -6$ and $y = 13$
d) $\left|\frac{2a-3b}{3b-2a}\right|$ if $a = -4$ and $b = -8$
5. Evaluate each of the following numerical expressions
a) $(3^{-4} + 4^{-1})^{-1}$ b) $2^{-3} + 3^{-1}$ c) $\left(\frac{2^{-1}}{3^{-3}}\right)^{-2}$ d) $\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^{-1} - \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{-1}$
6. Simplify each of the following ; express final results without using zero or negative integers as exponents
a) $(a^2b^{-1}c^{-2})^{-4}$ b) $\left(\frac{x^{-2}}{y^{-3}}\right)^{-2}$ c) $\left(\frac{3x^2y}{4a^{-1}b^{-3}}\right)^{-1}$ d) $\left(\frac{24x^5y^{-5}}{-8x^6y^{-1}}\right)^{-3}$
7. Evaluate each of the following in simplest radical form. All variables represent positive real number

a) $\sqrt{64x^4y^7}$ b) $\sqrt[3]{81x^5y^6}$ c) $\frac{\sqrt[3]{12xy}}{\sqrt[3]{3x^2y^5}}$ d) $\sqrt[4]{162x^6y^7}$ e) $\frac{\sqrt[3]{2y}}{\sqrt[3]{3x}}$ f) $\sqrt[3]{\frac{5}{2x}}$

8. Simplify the following

a) $2\sqrt{28} - 3\sqrt{63} + 8\sqrt{7}$ b) $4\sqrt[3]{2} + 2\sqrt[3]{16} - \sqrt[3]{54}$ c) $\frac{2\sqrt{8}}{3} - \frac{3\sqrt{18}}{5} - \frac{\sqrt{50}}{2}$ d) $\frac{3\sqrt[3]{54}}{2} + \frac{5\sqrt[3]{16}}{3}$
 e) $4\sqrt{50} - 9\sqrt{32}$ f) $5\sqrt{12} + 2\sqrt{3}$

9. Multiply and express the results in simplest radical form. All variables represent non-negative real numbers

a) $2\sqrt{3}(5\sqrt{2} + 4\sqrt{10})$ b) $(2\sqrt{x} - 3\sqrt{y})^2$ c) $(3\sqrt{x} + 5\sqrt{y})(3\sqrt{x} - 5\sqrt{y})$
 d) $\sqrt{6y}(\sqrt{8x} + \sqrt{10y^2})$ e) $(\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y})^2$

10. For each of the following, rationalize the denominator and simplify. All variables represent positive real numbers.

a) $\frac{3}{\sqrt{5}+2}$ b) $\frac{\sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{x}-1}$ c) $\frac{5}{5\sqrt{2}-3\sqrt{5}}$ d) $\frac{3\sqrt{x}-2\sqrt{y}}{2\sqrt{x}+5\sqrt{y}}$ e) $\frac{5}{3-2\sqrt{3}}$
 f) $\frac{7}{\sqrt{10}-3}$ g) $\frac{\sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{x}+2}$ h) $\frac{2\sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{x}-\sqrt{y}}$

11. Evaluate each of the following

a) $-8^{2/3}$ b) $-16^{5/4}$ c) $(0.01)^{3/2}$ d) $\left(\frac{1}{27}\right)^{-2/3}$

12. Perform the indicated operations and express the answers in simplest radical form.

a) $\frac{\sqrt[3]{16}}{\sqrt[6]{4}}$ b) $\frac{\sqrt[4]{x^9}}{\sqrt[3]{x^2}}$ c) $\sqrt{ab^3}\sqrt[3]{a^4b^5}$ d) $\sqrt[3]{x^5}\sqrt{x^3}$

13. Rationalize the denominators and express the final answers in simplest radical form.

a) $\frac{5}{\sqrt[3]{x}}$ b) $\frac{2\sqrt{x}}{3\sqrt[3]{y}}$ c) $\frac{5\sqrt[3]{y^2}}{4\sqrt[4]{x}}$ d) $\frac{\sqrt{xy}}{\sqrt[3]{a^2b}}$

$$\text{e) } \frac{\sqrt[3]{x}}{\sqrt{y}} \quad \text{f) } \frac{\sqrt[4]{x}}{\sqrt{y}} \quad \text{g) } \frac{3}{\sqrt[3]{x^2}}$$

14. Simplify each of the following, expressing the final result as one radical.

$$\text{a) } \sqrt{\sqrt[3]{2}} \quad \text{b) } \sqrt[3]{\sqrt[4]{3}} \quad \text{c) } \sqrt[3]{\sqrt{x^3}} \quad \text{d) } \sqrt{\sqrt[3]{x^4}}$$

15. Add or subtract as indicated

$$\text{a) } (5 + 3i) + (7 - 2i)(-8 - i) \quad \text{b) } (4 + i\sqrt{3}) + (-6 - 2i\sqrt{3})$$

$$\text{c) } (5 - 7i) - (6 - 2i) - (1 - 2i) \quad \text{d) } \left(\frac{5}{8} + \frac{1}{2}i\right) - \left(\frac{7}{8} + \frac{1}{5}i\right)$$

16. Write each of the following in terms of i , perform the indicated operations, and

Simplify if possible.

$$\text{a) } \sqrt{-4}\sqrt{-16} \quad \text{b) } \sqrt{-25}\sqrt{-9} \quad \text{c) } \frac{\sqrt{-36}}{\sqrt{-4}} \quad \text{d) } \frac{\sqrt{-64}}{\sqrt{-16}} \quad \text{f) } \frac{\sqrt{-18}}{\sqrt{-3}}$$

17. Find each of the following products and express the answers in standard form

$$\text{a) } (-2 + 5i)^2 \quad \text{b) } (5 + 3i)(5 - 3i) \quad \text{c) } (1 + i)(2 - i) \quad \text{d) } (5i)(2 + 6i) \quad \text{e) } (-5i)(8i)$$

$$\text{f) } (5i)(2 + 6i)$$

18. Find each of the following quotients and express the answers in standard form

$$\text{a) } \frac{2+3i}{3i} \quad \text{b) } \frac{3-5i}{4i} \quad \text{c) } \frac{4+7i}{2-3i} \quad \text{d) } \frac{3-7i}{4i+2}$$

$$\text{e) } \frac{1+\sqrt{2}i}{\sqrt{3}-2i} \quad \text{f) } \frac{1+2i}{1-i} + \frac{1-2i}{1+3i}$$

19. Plot each complex number and find its absolute value

$$\text{a) } 3 + 4i \quad \text{b) } -4 \quad \text{c) } \frac{3}{5} - \frac{4}{5}i \quad \text{d) } -5i \quad \text{e) } 1 - 2i \quad \text{f) } 3 - 2i$$

$$\text{e) } \frac{1}{(2+i)(\sqrt{3}-2i)} \quad \text{f) } 5 - 4i + \frac{5}{3-4i}$$

20. Let $z_1 = 2 + i$, $z_2 = 1 - i\sqrt{3}$ and $z_3 = 3 + 4i$. Verify the following identities

$$\text{(i) } \overline{z_1 z_2} = \overline{z_1} \cdot \overline{z_2} \quad \text{(ii) } z_3 \cdot \overline{z_3} = \overline{z_3} \cdot z_3 = |z_3|^2 \quad \text{(iii) } \overline{\left(\frac{z_1}{z_2}\right)} = \frac{\overline{z_1}}{\overline{z_2}}$$

21. Solve for x and y given that:

- a) $(x + iy)(4i) = 8$ b) $\frac{1}{x + iy} + \frac{1}{1 + 3i} = 1$
- c) $\frac{x}{1 + i} - \frac{y}{2 - i} = \frac{1 - 5i}{3 - 2i}$
22. Let $z = x + iy$ be a non zero complex number
- a) Express $\frac{1}{z}$ in the form $a + ib$
- b) Given that $z + \frac{1}{z} = k$, where k is a real number, prove that either z is real or $|z| = 1$
- 23 Express each of the following in the form $a + ib$ where a and b are real numbers:
- a) $\frac{1}{i^3}$ b) i^{15} c) i^{1002}
- 24 . a) Express $\frac{\sqrt{3} + 1}{\sqrt{3} - 1} + \sqrt{3} - 1$ in the form $a + b\sqrt{3}$ where a and b are rational numbers.
- b) Rationalize the denominator of each of the following:
- (i) $\frac{2\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2}}{4\sqrt{3}}$ (ii) $\frac{x}{x + \sqrt{y}}$ (iii) $\frac{2\sqrt{7} + \sqrt{3}}{3\sqrt{7} - \sqrt{3}}$
- (iv) $\frac{x - \sqrt{x^2 - 9}}{x + \sqrt{x^2 - 9}}$ (v) $\frac{1}{(\sqrt{2} + 1)(\sqrt{3} - 1)}$
- (c) Rationalize the numerator in each of the following:
- (i) $\frac{\sqrt{5 + h} - 3}{h}$ (ii) $\frac{\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{5}}{7}$ (iii) $\frac{\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{x + h}}{h\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{x + h}}$
- 25a) Give a reason why Z – a set of integers, N – a set of natural numbers are not Fields while Q – a set of rational number, R – a set of real numbers and C – a set of complex numbers are Fields.
- b) Prove that if $a + c = b + c$ then $a = b$ when $a, b, c \in R$
- c) Prove that if $ac = bc$ then $a = b$ when $a, b, c \in R$ and $c \neq 0$