Practice the following problems using definitions and properties of exponential and logarithmic functions with natural base e.

Given $\ln 4 = 1.3863$ and $\ln 5 = 1.6094$, use properties of natural logarithms to find each value. Do not use a calculator.

28. ln 20

38.
$$\ln\left(\frac{e}{5}\right)$$

Solve for t. Round the answer to three decimal places.

42.
$$e^{2t} = 1000$$

48.
$$8e^{3t} = 25$$

Solve each logarithmic equation. Round the answer to three decimal places

66.
$$3 - 5 \ln(3x - 2) = 10$$

66.
$$\frac{1}{3}(e^{-1.4} + 2) \approx 0.749$$

68.
$$\ln(x+2) + \ln x = \ln 24$$

74. Value of a stock. The value of a share of St. Lawrence Corporation stock, *t* weeks after being purchased, is given by

$$V(t) = 140 - 80e^{-0.0225t}.$$

- a) What is the value of the share after 35 weeks?
- b) What was the original purchase price of the share?
- c) When will the share of stock be worth \$125?
- **74.** (a) \$103.60; (b) \$60; (c) after 74.4 weeks
- 76. Demand. The price, in dollars per unit, that consumers are willing to pay for the Trailmaster mountain bike is given by

$$p(x) = 980 - 90 \ln x$$

where x is in thousands of units.

- a) What price corresponds to a demand of 150,000 units?
- **b)** How many units will consumers buy at a price of \$400 per bicycle?
- **76.** (a) \$529.04; (b) about 629 thousand units