

# MATHEMATICS

## Chapter 12: Exponents And Powers



## Important Questions

### Multiple Choice Questions-

Question 1.  $a^m \times a^m$  is equal to

- (a)  $a^{m+n}$
- (b)  $a^{m-n}$
- (c)  $a^{mn}$
- (d)  $a^{n-m}$

Question 2.  $a^m \div a^n$  is equal to

- (a)  $a^{m-n}$
- (b)  $a^{m+n}$
- (c)  $a^{mn}$
- (d)  $a^{n-m}$

Question 3.  $(a^m)^n$  is equal to

- (a)  $a^{m+n}$
- (b)  $a^{m-n}$
- (c)  $a^{mn}$
- (d)  $a^{n-m}$

Question 4.  $a^m \times b^m$  is equal to

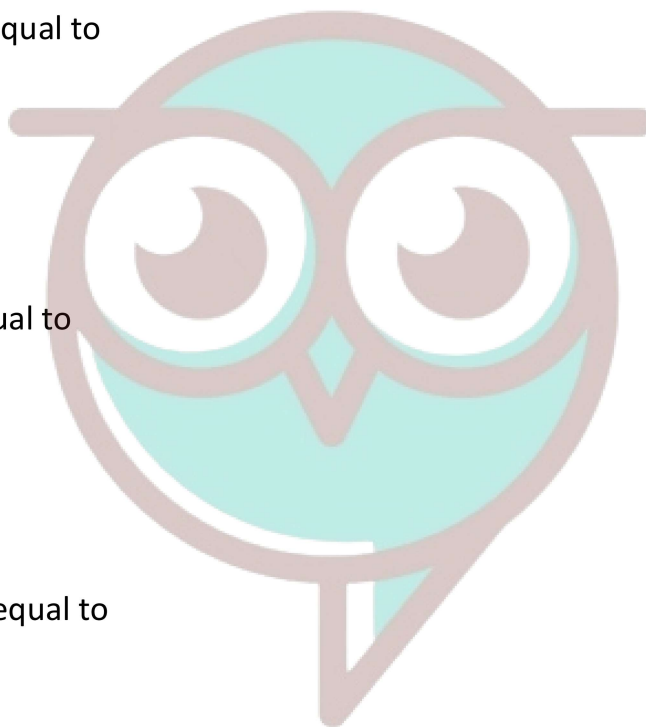
- (a)  $(ab)^m$
- (b)  $(ab)^{-m}$
- (c)  $a^m b$
- (d)  $ab^m$

Question 5.  $a^0$  is equal to

- (a) 0
- (b) 1
- (c) -1
- (d) a.

Question 6.  $\frac{a^m}{b^m}$  is equal to

- (a)  $\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^m$
- (b)  $\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^m$



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(c)  $\left(\frac{a^m}{b}\right)^m$

(d)  $\left(\frac{a}{b^m}\right)^m$

Question 7.  $2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2$  is equal to

(a)  $2^4$

(b)  $2^3$

(c)  $2^2$

(d)  $2^5$

Question 8. In  $10^2$ , the exponent is

(a) 1

(b) 2

(c) 10

(d) 1.

Question 9. In  $10^2$  the base is

(a) 1

(b) 0

(c) 10

(d) 100.

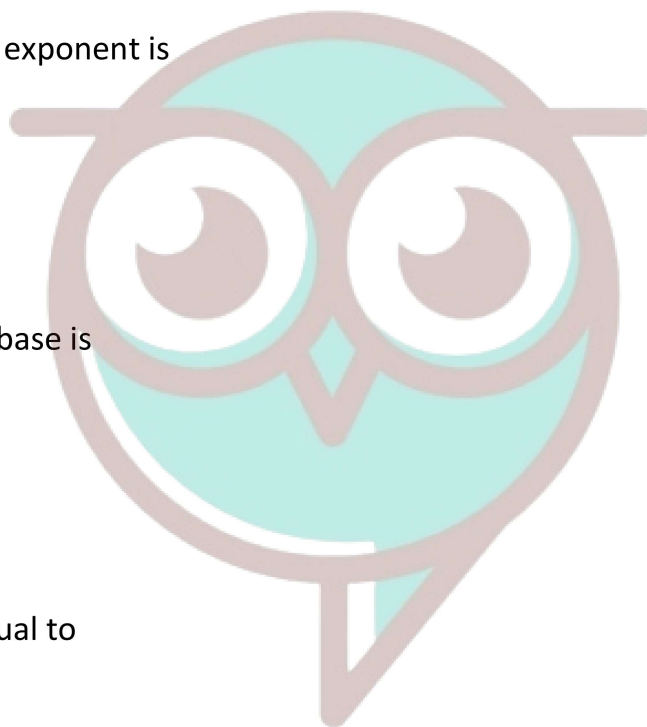
Question 10.  $10^{-1}$  is equal to

(a) 10

(b) -1

(c)  $\frac{1}{10}$

(d)  $\frac{-1}{10}$



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**Very Short Questions:**

1. Find the multiplicative inverse of:
  - (i)  $3^{-3}$
  - (ii)  $10^{-10}$
2. Expand the following using exponents.
  - (i) 0.0523
  - (ii) 32.005
3. Simplify and write in exponential form.

(i)  $(-5)^2 \times (-5)^{-3}$     (ii)  $\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{-3} \times \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{-2}$

4. Simplify the following and write in exponential form.

(i)  $2^3 \times 3^3$     (ii)  $\left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^5 \times \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^5$

5. Express  $8^{-4}$  as a power with the base 2.

We have  $8 = 2 \times 2 \times 2 = 2^3$

$8^{-4} = (2^3)^{-4} = 2^{3 \times (-4)} = 2^{-12}$

**Short Questions :**

1. Simplify the following and write in exponential form.

(i)  $(3^6 \div 3^8)^4 \times 3^{-4}$

(ii)  $\frac{1}{27} \times 3^{-3}$

2. Find the value of k if  $(-2)^{k+1} \times (-2)^3 = (-2)^7$

3. Simplify the following:

(i)  $\left\{ \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{-3} - \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{-3} \right\} \div \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{-2}$

(ii)  $\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{-6} \times \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{-4}$

4. Find the value of  $\left[ \left(-\frac{3}{4}\right)^{-2} \right]^2$

5. Write the following in standard form

(i) 0.0035

(ii) 365.05

6. Find the value of P if

$\left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^3 \times \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{-6} = \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{2P-1}$

**Long Questions :**

- 1.

If  $\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) = \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{-2} + \left(\frac{3}{7}\right)^0$ , find the value of  $\left(\frac{x}{y}\right)^{-3}$ .

2. Find the value of x if

$$\left(\frac{125}{27}\right) \times \left(\frac{125}{27}\right)^x = \left(\frac{5}{3}\right)^{18}$$

3. Solve the following:  $(81)^{-4} \div (729)^{2-x} = 9^{4x}$

4.

Simplify: 
$$\frac{(x^{m+n})^2 \times (x^{n+p})^2 \times (x^{p+m})^2}{(x^m \cdot x^n \cdot x^p)^3}$$

5.

Simplify: 
$$\frac{(-2)^3 \times (-2)^7}{3 \times 4^6}$$

6. Find x so that  $(-5)^{x+1} \times (-5)^5 = (-5)^7$

**Answer Key-**

**Multiple Choice questions-**

1. (a)  $a^{m+n}$
2. (a)  $a^{m-n}$
3. (c)  $a^{mn}$
4. (a)  $(ab)^m$
5. (b) 1
6. (a)  $\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^m$
7. (d)  $2^5$
8. (b) 2
9. (c) 10
10. (c)  $\frac{1}{10}$

**Very Short Answer :**

1.

(i) Multiplicative inverse of  $3^{-3} = \frac{1}{3^{-3}} = 3^3$

(ii) Multiplicative inverse of  $10^{-10} = \frac{1}{10^{-10}} = 10^{10}$

2.

$$\begin{aligned}
 (i) 0.0523 &= \frac{5}{100} + \frac{2}{1000} + \frac{3}{10000} \\
 &= 5 \times \frac{1}{100} + 2 \times \frac{1}{1000} + 3 \times \frac{1}{10000} \\
 &= 5 \times \frac{1}{10^2} + 2 \times \frac{1}{10^3} + 3 \times \frac{1}{10^4} \\
 &= 5 \times 10^{-2} + 2 \times 10^{-3} + 3 \times 10^{-4}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (ii) 32.005 &= 3 \times 10 + 2 \times 1 + \frac{5}{1000} \\
 &= 3 \times 10 + 2 \times 1 + 5 \times \frac{1}{1000} \\
 &= 3 \times 10 + 2 \times 1 + 5 \times \frac{1}{10^3} \\
 &= 3 \times 10 + 2 \times 1 + 5 \times 10^{-3}
 \end{aligned}$$

3.

$$\begin{aligned}
 (i) (-5)^2 \times (-5)^{-3} &= (-5)^{2+(-3)} = (-5)^{-1} \\
 &= (-5)^{-1} = -\frac{1}{5} \\
 (ii) \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{-3} \times \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{-2} &= \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{(-3)+(-2)} \\
 &= \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{-5} = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{-5} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2^{-5}} = 2^5
 \end{aligned}$$

4.

$$\begin{aligned}
 (i) 2^3 \times 3^3 &= (2 \times 3)^3 = 6^3 \\
 (ii) \left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^5 \times \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^5 &= \left(\frac{4}{5} \times \frac{5}{6}\right)^5 \\
 &= \left(\frac{4}{6}\right)^5 = \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^5
 \end{aligned}$$

5. We have  $8 = 2 \times 2 \times 2 = 2^3$

$$8^{-4} = (2^3)^{-4} = 2^{3 \times (-4)} = 2^{-12}$$

### Short Answer :

1.

$$\begin{aligned} (i) (3^6 \div 3^8)^4 \times 3^{-4} \\ = (3^{6-8})^4 \times 3^{-4} = 3^{-2 \times 4} \times 3^{-4} \\ = 3^{-8} \times 3^{-4} = 3^{-8-4} = 3^{-12} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (ii) \frac{1}{27} \times 3^{-3} \\ = \frac{1}{3^3} \times 3^{-3} \\ = 3^{-3} \times 3^{-3} = 3^{-3-3} = 3^{-6} \end{aligned}$$

2.  $(-2)^{k+1} \times (-2)^3 = (-2)^7$

$$\Rightarrow (-2)^{k+1+3} = (-2)^7$$

$$\Rightarrow (-2)^{k+4} = (-2)^7$$

$$\Rightarrow k + 4 = 7$$

$$\Rightarrow k = 3$$

Hence,  $k = 3$ .

3.

$$\begin{aligned} (i) \left\{ \left( \frac{1}{4} \right)^{-3} - \left( \frac{1}{3} \right)^{-3} \right\} \div \left( \frac{1}{4} \right)^{-2} \\ = \left\{ \frac{1^{-3}}{4^{-3}} - \frac{1^{-3}}{3^{-3}} \right\} \div \frac{1^{-2}}{4^{-2}} \end{aligned}$$

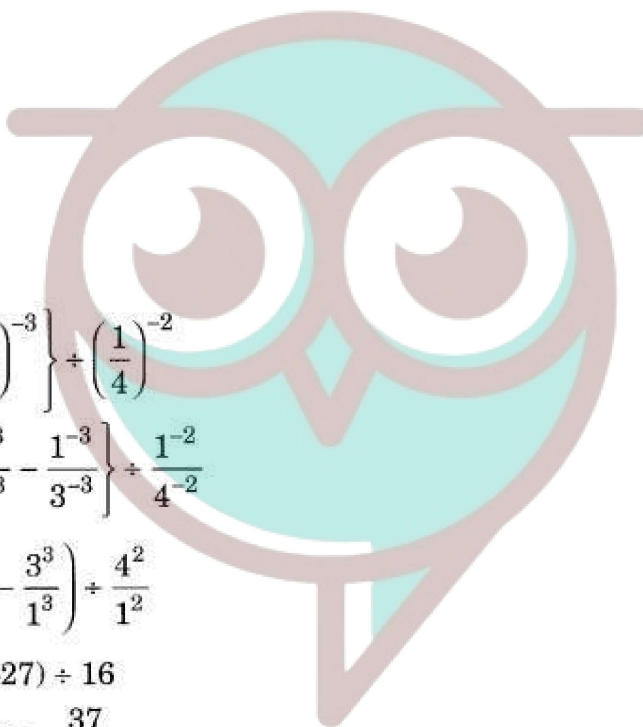
$$\Rightarrow \left( \frac{4^3}{1^3} - \frac{3^3}{1^3} \right) \div \frac{4^2}{1^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow (64 - 27) \div 16$$

$$\Rightarrow 37 \div 16 = \frac{37}{16}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (ii) \left( \frac{2}{3} \right)^{-6} \times \left( \frac{3}{2} \right)^{-4} \\ = \frac{2^{-6}}{3^{-6}} \times \frac{3^{-4}}{2^{-4}} = \frac{3^6}{2^6} \times \frac{2^4}{3^4} \\ = \frac{3^{6-4}}{2^{6-4}} = \frac{3^2}{2^2} = \left( \frac{3}{2} \right)^2 \end{aligned}$$

4.



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$$\begin{aligned} \left[ \left( -\frac{3}{4} \right)^{-2} \right]^2 &= \left( -\frac{3}{4} \right)^{-4} \\ &= (-1)^{-4} \times \left( \frac{3}{4} \right)^{-4} \\ &= 1 \times \frac{3^{-4}}{4^{-4}} = \frac{4^4}{3^4} = \frac{256}{81} \end{aligned}$$

5.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i) } 0.0035 &= \frac{35}{10000} \\ &= \frac{3.5 \times 10}{10^4} = 3.5 \times 10^{1-4} = 3.5 \times 10^{-3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(ii) } 365.05 &= \frac{36505}{100} = \frac{3.6505 \times 10^4}{10^2} \\ &= 3.6505 \times 10^2 \end{aligned}$$

6.

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \frac{2}{5} \right)^3 \times \left( \frac{2}{5} \right)^{-6} &= \left( \frac{2}{5} \right)^{2P-1} \\ \Rightarrow \left( \frac{2}{5} \right)^{3-6} &= \left( \frac{2}{5} \right)^{2P-1} \\ \Rightarrow \left( \frac{2}{5} \right)^{-3} &= \left( \frac{2}{5} \right)^{2P-1} \end{aligned}$$

Equating the powers of the same base

$$2P - 1 = -3$$

$$2P = -3 + 1$$

$$2P = -2$$

$$\therefore P = -1$$

Long Answer :

1.



$$\left(\frac{x}{y}\right) = \left(\frac{3^{-2}}{2^{-2}}\right)^{-1} \quad \left[\because \left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^0 = 1\right]$$

$$= \frac{2^2}{3^2} = \frac{4}{9}$$

$$\therefore \left(\frac{x}{y}\right)^{-3} = \left(\frac{4}{9}\right)^{-3}$$

$$= \frac{4^{-3}}{9^{-3}} = \frac{9^3}{4^3}$$

$$= \frac{729}{64}$$

2.

$$\left(\frac{125}{27}\right) \times \left(\frac{125}{27}\right)^x = \left(\frac{5}{3}\right)^{18}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{5^3}{3^3}\right) \times \left(\frac{5^3}{3^3}\right)^x = \left(\frac{5}{3}\right)^{18}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{5}{3}\right)^3 \times \left(\frac{5}{3}\right)^x = \left(\frac{5}{3}\right)^{18}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{5}{3}\right)^{3+x} = \left(\frac{5}{3}\right)^{18}$$

$\Rightarrow 3 + x = 18$  [Equating the powers of same base]

$$x = 18 - 3 = 15$$

3.

$$(81)^{-4} \div (729)^{2-x} = (9)^{4x}$$

$$\Rightarrow (9^2)^{-4} \div (9^3)^{2-x} = (9)^{4x}$$

$$\Rightarrow 9^{-8} \div 9^{6-3x} = 9^{4x}$$

$$\Rightarrow 9^{-8-(6-3x)} = 9^{4x}$$

$$\Rightarrow 9^{-8-6+3x} = 9^{4x}$$

$$\Rightarrow 9^{-14+3x} = 9^{4x}$$

Equating the power of same base, we have

$$-14 + 3x = 4x$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x - 3x = -14$$

$$\therefore x = -14$$

4.

$$\frac{(x^{m+n})^2 \times (x^{n+p})^2 \times (x^{p+m})^2}{(x^m \cdot x^n \cdot x^p)^3}$$

$$= \frac{x^{2m+2n} \times x^{2n+2p} \times x^{2p+2m}}{x^{3m} \cdot x^{3n} \cdot x^{3p}}$$

[∵  $(x^a)^b = (x^{ab})$ ]

$$= \frac{x^{2m+2n+2n+2p+2p+2m}}{x^{3m+3n+3p}}$$

[∵  $x^a \times x^b = x^{a+b}$ ]

$$= \frac{x^{4m+4n+4p}}{x^{3m+3n+3p}}$$

$$= x^{(4m+4n+4p) - (3m+3n+3p)}$$

$$= x^{4m+4n+4p - 3m - 3n - 3p}$$

$$= x^{m+n+p}$$

[∵  $\frac{x^a}{x^b} = x^{a-b}$ ]

5.

$$\frac{(-2)^3 \times (-2)^7}{3 \times 4^6} = \frac{(-2)^{3+7}}{3 \times (2^2)^6} \{a^m \times a^n = a^{m+n}\}$$

$$= \frac{(-2)^{10}}{3 \times 2^{12}} \{(a^m)^n = a^{m \times n}\}$$

$$= \frac{(-2)^{10}}{3 \times 2^{12}} = \frac{2^{10-12}}{3} \{a^m \div a^n = a^{m-n}, (-2)^{10} = 2^{10}\}$$

$$= \frac{2^{-2}}{3} = \frac{1}{3 \times 2^2} = \frac{1}{12}$$

6.

$$(-5)^{x+1} \times (-5)^5 = (-5)^7$$

$$(-5)^{x+1+5} = (-5)^7 \{a^m \times a^n = a^{m+n}\}$$

$$(-5)^{x+6} = (-5)^7$$

On both sides, powers have the same base, so their exponents must be equal.

Therefore,  $x + 6 = 7$

$$x = 7 - 6 = 1$$

$$x = 1.$$