

Pre-Calculus Chapter 3 Pre-Test

Key

1.) (2 pts each, 6 pts total) Evaluate exactly. Do not use decimals.

a)  $7^{-2}$        $\frac{1}{7^2}$

b)  $8^{2/3}$        $(\sqrt[3]{8})^2 = (2)^2 = 4$

c)  $(\frac{1}{4})^{5/2}$        $(\sqrt{\frac{1}{4}})^5 = (\frac{1}{2})^5 = \frac{1^5}{2^5} = \boxed{\frac{1}{32}}$

2.) (2 pts each, 4 pts total) Evaluate each function.

a)  $f(x) = 4^x, x = 3$   
 $f(3) = 4^3 = \boxed{64}$

b)  $g(x) = 10^{x+4}, x = -2$   
 $g(-2) = 10^{-2+4} = 10^2 = \boxed{100}$

3.) (5 pts each, 10 pts total) Graph each function. Identify at least two points on the line (please use points indicated in class).

a)  $y = 3^{x+2}$

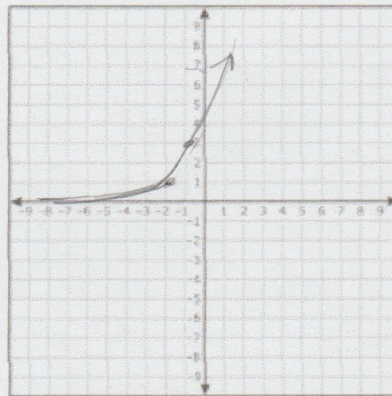
$3^a$  find when  $a=0$   
and  $a=1$

$x+2=0$   $x=-2$   
 $-2 -2$

$x+2=1$   $x=-1$   
 $-2 -2$

$x=-2$   $y = 3^{-2+2} = 3^0 = 1$   $(-2, 1)$

$x=-1$   $y = 3^{-1+2} = 3^1 = 3$   $(-1, 3)$



b)  $y = 5^{x-3} + 2$

$5^a$  find when  $a=0$   
and  $a=1$

$x-3=0$   
 $+3 +3$

$x=3$

$x-3=1$   
 $+3 +3$

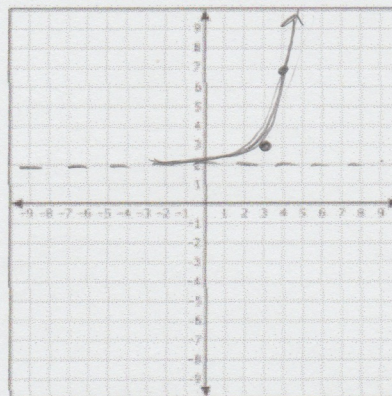
$x=4$

$y = 5^{3-3} + 2$   $(3, 3)$

$5^0 + 2 = 1 + 2 = 3$

$y = 5^{4-3} + 2$   $(4, 7)$

$5^1 + 2 = 7$



4.) (2 pts each, 4 pts total) Write each logarithmic equation in its equivalent exponential form.

a)  $\text{Log}_6 216 = 3$

$6^3 = 216$

b)  $\log_b x = a$

$b^a = x$

5.) (2 pts each, 4 pts total) Write each exponential equation in its equivalent logarithmic form.

logs are exponents

a)  $4^7 = 16384$

$\log_4 16384 = 7$

b)  $0.001 = 10^{-3}$

$\log_{10} 0.001 = -3$

or

$\log 0.001 = -3$

6.) (2 pts each, 4 pts total) Evaluate the logarithms exactly. Show conversion to exponential form for full credit.

a)  $\log_8 1$

$\log_8 1 = x$

$8^x = 1$

$x = 0$

b)  $\log 10^{-5}$

$\log_{10} 10^{-5} = x$

$10^x = 10^{-5}$

$x = -5$

7.) (8 pts total) State the domain of the logarithmic function. Please show work (do not simply graph).

$f(x) = \log_3(x - 2)$

Even if  $a \rightarrow -\infty$

$\log_3(x-2) = a$

$3^{-\infty} = \frac{1}{3^\infty} = 0$

$3^a = x-2$

$3^a$  must be greater than 0 therefore

$x-2 > 0$   
+2

$x > 2$

8.) (2.5 pts each, 5 pts total) Apply the properties of logarithms to simplify each expression.

a)  $8^{3\log_8 5}$

$$8^{3\log_8 5} = X$$

$$\log_8 X = 3\log_8 5$$

$$\log_8 X = \log_8 5^3 \quad \rightarrow \quad X = 5^3 = \boxed{125}$$

b)  $e^{\ln(x^2-4)} = 2$

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$$\ln 2 = \ln(x^2-4)$$

$$x^2 - 4 = 2 \quad \sqrt{x^2} = \sqrt{6}$$

$$+4 \quad +4 \quad x = \pm\sqrt{6}$$

9.) (5 pts each, 10 pts total) Write each expression as a sum or difference of logarithms.

a)  $\log_b \left( \frac{x^2 y^7 z^{-3}}{a^4} \right)$

$$2\log_b x + 7\log_b y - 3\log_b z - 4\log_b a$$

b)  $\log_b \left( \frac{x^2+2x-3}{x^2-6x+8} \right)$

$$\log_b (x^2+2x-3) - \log_b (x^2-6x+8)$$

$$\log_b (x+3)(x-1) - \log_b (x-4)(x-2)$$

$$\log_b (x+3) + \log_b (x-1) - \log_b (x-4) - \log_b (x-2)$$

10.) (5 pts each, 10 pts total) Write each expression as a single logarithm.

a)  $6\log_b a + 2\log_b c - 3\log_b d$

$$\log_b \left( \frac{a^6 c^2}{d^3} \right)$$

b)  $\frac{1}{2}\log e - 3\log f - 2\log h$

$$\frac{e^{\frac{1}{2}}}{f^3 h^2} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{\sqrt{e}}{f^3 h^2}$$

11.) (5 pts each, 10 pts total) Evaluate each logarithm using change-of-base formula.

a)  $\log_9 23$

$$\log_9 23 = x$$

$$9^x = 23$$

$$\log 9^x = \log 23$$

$$\frac{x \log 9}{\log 9} = \frac{\log 23}{\log 9}$$

$$x = \frac{\log 23}{\log 9}$$

b)  $\log_2 a$

$$\log_2 a = x$$

$$2^x = a$$

$$\log 2^x = \log a$$

$$\frac{x \log 2}{\log 2} = \frac{\log a}{\log 2}$$

$$x = \frac{\log a}{\log 2}$$

12.) (5 pts each, 15 pts total) Solve each exponential equation. Leave answers as a fraction if necessary (no decimals).

a)  $\log(3x + 4) = 2$

$$\log_{10}(3x+4) = 2$$

$$10^2 = 3x+4$$

$$100 = 3x+4$$

$$-4 \quad -4$$

$$\frac{96}{3} = \frac{3x}{3}$$

$$x = 32$$

b)  $\log_2(x - 2) + \log_2(x + 4) = 4$

$$\log_2(x-2)(x+4) = 4$$

$$x^2 + 2x - 24 = 0$$

$$2^4 = (x-2)(x+4)$$

$$(x+6)(x-4) = 0$$

$$2^4 = x^2 + 2x - 8$$

$$x+6 = 0 \quad x-4 = 0$$

$$-6 \quad -6 \quad +4 \quad +4$$

$$16 = x^2 + 2x - 8$$

$$-16$$

$$-16$$

$$x = -6 \quad x = 4$$

$$c) \ln(x) + \ln(x+2) - \ln(3x) = 6$$

$$\ln \frac{x(x+2)}{3x} = 6$$

$$\ln \frac{x+2}{3} = 6$$

$$e^6 = \frac{x+2}{3}$$

$$3e^6 = x+2$$

$$x = \boxed{3e^6 - 2}$$

13.) (1 pts each, 10 pts total) Complete the table by including the corresponding letter.

Graph Name	Model	Graph
Gaussian distribution	c	h
Logistic growth	d	g
Exponential growth	a	j
Logarithmic	e	f
Exponential decay	b	i

a)  $f(t) = ce^{kt} \quad k > 0$

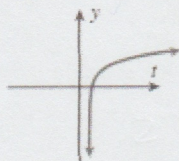
b)  $f(t) = ce^{-kt} \quad k > 0$

c)  $f(x) = ce^{\frac{-(x-a)^2}{k}}$

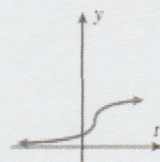
d)  $f(t) = \frac{a}{1+ce^{-kt}}$

e)  $f(t) = a + c \log t$

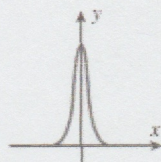
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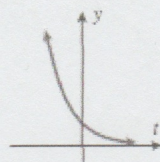
g)



h)



i)



j)

