

Algebra Lesson 7-5A - Dividing Powers

**EXERCISES 1. c^{10} 3. n^{32} 5. c^{19} 7. $\frac{1}{t^{14}}$ 9. $625y^4$
11. $49a^2$ 13. $36y^4$ 15. $\frac{1}{8y^{12}}$ 17. x^{16} 19. 1
21. $9a^6b^8$ 23. 1.6×10^{11} 25. 8×10^{-30}**

32) 3

36) 0

33) -4

37) 8

34) 4

38) -2

35) -3

39) 0

40) -3

19. $(mg^4)^{-1}(mg^4)$

$$xy^2 \cdot x^3$$
$$(xy)^2 (x^5)$$

Simplify

1. $(3x^{-3}y^8)^{-2}$

2. $(a^2b^3)^4 \cdot (a^{-4}b)$

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$$\frac{a^m}{a^n} = a^{m-n}$$

$$\frac{5^6}{5^2} = 5^{6-2} = 5^4$$

$$\frac{5^6}{5^2} = \boxed{\begin{array}{cccc} / & / & & \\ & & / & / \end{array}}$$

Simplify each expression.

a. $\frac{b^4}{b^9}$

b. $\frac{z^{10}}{z^5}$

c. $\frac{a^2b}{a^4b^3}$

Simplify each expression.

d. $\frac{m^{-1}n^2}{m^3n}$

e. $\frac{x^2y^{-1}z^4}{xy^4z^{-3}}$

$$\begin{aligned} &= x^{2-1} y^{-1-4} z^{4-(-3)} \\ &= x^1 y^{-5} z^7 = \frac{xz^7}{y^5} \end{aligned}$$

Raising a **Quotient** to a **Power**.

$$\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^n = \frac{a^n}{b^n}$$

$$\left(\frac{4^1}{x^2}\right)^3 = \frac{4^3}{x^6} = \frac{64}{x^6}$$

Raising a Quotient to a Power.

$$\left(\frac{2x}{y}\right)^5$$

$$\left(\frac{3^3}{3^4}\right)^2$$

$$\frac{3^6}{3^8} = 3^{6-8} = \frac{3^2}{9}$$

Negative Exponents

$$\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^{-n} = \left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^n = \frac{b^n}{a^n} = \left(\frac{1}{a^n}\right)\left(\frac{b^n}{1}\right) = \frac{b^n}{a^n}$$

Simplify each expression.

a. $\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^{-3}$

$$= \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^3 = \frac{4^3}{3^3} = \frac{64}{27}$$

b. $\left(\frac{-1}{2}\right)^{-5}$

$$= \left(\frac{2}{-1}\right)^5 = \frac{2^5}{-1} = -32$$

c. $\left(\frac{2r}{s}\right)^{-1}$

d. $\left(\frac{7a}{m}\right)^{-2}$