

More Practice with Laws of Logs

Expand each of the following as much as possible using laws of logarithms. When applicable, write "not possible."

1)  $\log\left(\frac{x^3 y^6}{\sqrt{z}}\right)$

$3 \log x + 6 \log y - \frac{1}{2} \log z$

2)  $\log \sqrt[4]{x^2 + y^2}$

$\frac{1}{4} \log(x^2 + y^2)$

3)  $\ln\left(\frac{x(x^2+1)}{\sqrt{x^2-1}}\right)$

$\ln x + \ln(x^2+1) - \frac{1}{2} \ln(x^2-1)$   
 $\ln x + \ln(x^2+1) - \frac{1}{2} \ln(x+1) - \frac{1}{2} \ln(x-1)$

4)  $\log\left(\frac{x}{\sqrt[3]{1-x}}\right)$

$\log x - \frac{1}{3} \log(1-x)$

5)  $\log_3 \sqrt[3]{\frac{x+y}{x^6}}$

$\frac{1}{3} \log(x+y) - 2 \log x$

6)  $\ln(x-y)$

not possible

Condense each of the following into a single logarithm using properties of logs:

7)  $6 \log x - 2 \log y + \frac{1}{3} \log t$

$\log \frac{x^6 \sqrt[3]{t}}{y^2}$

8)  $5 \log x - \frac{1}{4} \log(x^2+1) + 2 \log(x-1)$

$\log \frac{x^5(x-1)^2}{\sqrt[4]{x^2+1}}$

9)  $\ln\left(\frac{a}{a^2-b^2}\right) + \ln\left(\frac{a-b}{a^2}\right)$

$\ln\left(\frac{1}{a^2+ab}\right)$

10)  $2(\log_5 x - 3 \log_5 z + 2 \log_5 y)$

$\log_5 \frac{x^2 y^4}{z^6}$

11)  $3 \ln x - \left(2 \ln y + \frac{1}{2} \ln z\right)$

$\ln \frac{x^3}{y^2 \sqrt{z}}$

12)  $4(2 \ln x - 3 \ln y) + 3(4 \ln y - \ln x)$

$\ln(x^5)$

13)  $\frac{1}{3}(\log_4 x + 6 \log_4 y)$

$\log_4 \left(\sqrt[3]{x \cdot y^2}\right)$

14)  $\log(x+3) - (\log(x^2-9) - \log(x^3-27))$

$\log(x^2+3x+9)$

15)  $4 \ln x - \frac{1}{2}\left(6 \ln y - \frac{1}{4} \ln z\right)$

$\ln \frac{x^4 \sqrt[8]{z}}{y^3}$

Solve each of the following:

16)  $30 = 32(1 - 2^{-t})$

$\frac{15}{16} = 1 - 2^{-t}$   
 $-\frac{1}{16} = -2^{-t}$   
 $\frac{1}{16} = 2^{-t}$   
 $2^{-4} = 2^{-t}$

$t = 4$

17)  $\log_3(x+2) = 4$

$3^4 = x+2$   
 $81 = x+2$   
 $x = 79$

18)  $\frac{10}{1+e^{-x}} = 2$

$10 = 2 + 2e^{-x}$   
 $8 = 2e^{-x}$   
 $4 = e^{-x}$   
 $\ln 4 = \ln e^{-x}$   
 $\ln 4 = -x$

$x = -\ln 4 = \ln 4^{-1} = \ln \frac{1}{4}$

$$19) \log_5(x+1) - 2 = \log_5(x-1)$$

$$-2 = \log_5(x-1) - \log_5(x+1)$$

$$-2 = \log_5\left(\frac{x-1}{x+1}\right)$$

$$5^{-2} = \frac{x-1}{x+1}$$

$$\frac{1}{25} = \frac{x-1}{x+1}$$

$$X = \frac{26}{24}$$

$$X+1 = 25X - 25 \quad \boxed{X = \frac{13}{12}}$$

$$22) \log_2(3x+2) = 3 + \log_2 x$$

$$\log_2(3x+2) - \log_2 x = 3$$

$$\log_2 \frac{3x+2}{x} = 3$$

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

$$8x = 3x+2$$

$$5x = 2$$

$$\boxed{X = \frac{2}{5}}$$

$$25) \log_{\sqrt{216}} x = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$\sqrt{216}^{\frac{4}{3}} = X$$

$$\boxed{36 = X}$$

$$28) \left(\frac{1}{16}\right)^x = 64$$

$$(4^{-2})^x = 4^3$$

$$-2x = 3$$

$$\boxed{X = -\frac{3}{2}}$$

$$20) 2 = \log_2(x^2 - x - 2)$$

$$2^2 = x^2 - x - 2$$

$$0 = x^2 - x - 6$$

$$0 = (x-3)(x+2)$$

$$\boxed{X = 3, X = -2}$$

$$23) 2\log_5 x - \log_5 9 = 2$$

$$\log_5 x^2 - \log_5 9 = 2$$

$$\log_5 \frac{x^2}{9} = 2$$

$$5^2 = \frac{x^2}{9}$$

$$x^2 = 225$$

$$\boxed{X = 15, -15}$$

$$26) \log_9 8 = \log_9 \frac{1}{2} + 2\log_9 x$$

$$\log_9 8 = \log_9 \frac{1}{2} + \log_9 x^2$$

$$\log_9 8 = \log_9 \left(\frac{1}{2} x^2\right)$$

$$8 = \frac{1}{2} x^2$$

$$16 = x^2$$

$$\boxed{X = 4, -4}$$

$$29) 9^{2x} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{27}\right)^{x-1} = 81$$

$$(3^2)^{2x} \cdot (3^{-3})^{x-1} = 3^4$$

$$3^{4x-3x+3} = 3^4$$

$$x+3 = 4$$

$$\boxed{X = 1}$$

$$30) \log_3(x-1) - \log_3(x+6) = \log_3(x-2) - \log_3(x+3)$$

$$\log_3 \frac{x-1}{x+6} = \log_3 \frac{x-2}{x+3}$$

$$\frac{x-1}{x+6} = \frac{x-2}{x+3}$$

$$\text{LCD: } (x+6)(x+3)$$

$$\frac{(x+6)(x+3)(x-1)}{x+6} = \frac{(x-2)(x+6)(x+3)}{x+3}$$

$$x^2 + 2x - 3 = x^2 + 4x - 12$$

$$9 = 2x$$

$$\boxed{X = 9/2}$$

$$21) \ln(x+4) = 3$$

$$e^3 = x+4$$

$$\boxed{X = e^3 - 4}$$

$$24) \log(x^2) = \log 4 + \log 5$$

$$\log(x^2) = \log 20$$

$$x^2 = 20$$

$$X = \pm \sqrt{20} = \pm 2\sqrt{5}$$

$$27) 6e^{2x} + 45 = 3e^{4x}$$

$$0 = 3e^{4x} - 6e^{2x} + 45$$

$$3e^{2x} = 3$$

$$0 = (3e^{2x} + 9)(e^{2x} - 5)$$

$$3e^{2x} + 9 = 0$$

$$e^{2x} - 5 = 0$$

$$e^{2x} = -3$$

$$2x = \ln 5$$

$$2x = \ln(-3)$$

$$\boxed{X = \frac{\ln 5}{2}}$$

Evaluate:

31)  $\log_{25} \left( \frac{125}{\sqrt[3]{5}} \right)$   
 $\frac{4}{3}$

32)  $\log_{49} \left( \frac{1}{7} \right)$   
 $-\frac{1}{2}$

33)  $\log_8 \left( \frac{2}{\sqrt[4]{4}} \right)$   
 $\frac{1}{6}$

34)  $\frac{\log_4 16}{\log_3 \left( \frac{1}{27} \right)}$   
 $-\frac{2}{3}$

35)  $\log_3 2 \div \log_3 8$   
 $\frac{\log_3 2}{\log_3 8} = \log_8 2$   
 $\frac{1}{3}$

36)  $\log_2 3 - \log_2 12 = \log_2 \frac{1}{4}$   
 $-2$

37) Which of the following  $\frac{\log 27}{\log 3} = \log_3 27$  (Circle all that apply)  
 $= 3$

- a)  $\log 9$       **b) 3**      c)  $-\log 3^{-1}$       d)  $\log 24$

38) Which of the following are equivalent?

i.  $\frac{\log_6 216}{\log_6 36} = \frac{3}{2}$       ii.  $\log_6 \frac{216}{36} = 1$       iii.  $\log_6 216 - \log_6 36 = 1$

- a) i & ii      **b) ii & iii**      c) iii      d) none of these      e) all of these

39) Which of the following are equivalent?

i.  $\frac{1}{3} \log 270 = \frac{1}{3} (\log(27 \cdot 10)) = \frac{1}{3} \log 27 + \frac{1}{3} \log 10 = \log 3 + \frac{1}{3}$   
 ii.  $\log 90 = \log 9 + \log 10 = (\log 9) + 1$   
 iii.  $\frac{1}{3} + \log 3$

- a) i & ii      **b) i & iii**      c) ii & iii      d) none of these      e) all of these

40) Given  $\log 7 = x$ ,  $\log 5 = y$ ,  $\log 3 = z$  determine each of the following:

a)  $\log 9$   
 $\log 3^2 = 2 \log 3 = \boxed{2z}$

b)  $\log 150$   
 $\log(5 \cdot 5 \cdot 3 \cdot 2)$   
 $\log 5 + \log 5 + \log 3 + \log 2$   
 $\boxed{2y + z + \log 2}$

c)  $\log_5 7$   
 $\frac{\log 7}{\log 5} = \frac{x}{y}$

d)  $\log_7 15$   
 $\frac{\log 15}{\log 7} = \frac{\log 5 + \log 3}{\log 7}$   
 $= \frac{y + z}{x}$

e)  $\log(3/5)$   
 $\log 3 - \log 5$   
 $\boxed{z - y}$

f)  $\log 30$   
 $= \log(2 \cdot 3 \cdot 5)$   
 $= \log 2 + \log 3 + \log 5$   
 $= \boxed{(\log 2) + z + y}$

41) State the domain of each of the following:

a)  $f(x) = \ln(9-x)$

$9-x > 0$   
 $-x > -9$   
 $x < 9$        $(-\infty, 9)$

b)  $f(x) = \ln(3x+2)$

$3x+2 > 0$   
 $3x > -2$   
 $x > -\frac{2}{3}$        $(-\frac{2}{3}, \infty)$