

[Exercise 1.3]

1. Convert the following to logarithmic form.
 - (a) $2^4 = 16$
 - (b) $3^{-2} = \frac{1}{9}$
 - (c) $100 = 10^2$
 - (d) $a^3 = y$
 - (e) $2^x = p$
 - (f) $x^4 = 2 - k$

2. Convert the following to index form.
 - (a) $3 = \log_5 125$
 - (b) $-2 = \log_2 \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)$
 - (c) $\log_4 64 = 3$
 - (d) $\log_x 3 = 4$
 - (e) $\log_3 y = n$
 - (f) $p + 1 = \log_2 (4y)$

3. Check whether the logarithm $\log_x (5 - 2x)$ is defined when:
 - (a) $x = 2$
 - (b) $x = 0.5$
 - (c) $x = 3$
 - (d) $x = 2.5$
 - (e) $x = 1$
 - (f) $x = \sqrt{2}$

4. Solve the following equations.
 - (a) $\log_2 x = 3$
 - (b) $\log_x 9 = 2$
 - (c) $x = \log_4 8$
 - (d) $\log_3 (x - 2) = 1$
 - (e) $\log_2 (2x + 1) = -3$
 - (f) $\log_9 \sqrt{27} = x$
 - (g) $\log_x (6x - 8) = 2$
 - (h) $\log_x 8 = \frac{3}{2}$

5. Evaluate.
 - (a) $\log_4 4 - 3 \log_2 2$
 - (b) $\log_2 1 + 2 \log_5 5$
 - (c) $(3 - \log_3 3)^3$
 - (d) $\left(\frac{3 \log_x x + 2}{4 - 2 \log_5 1}\right)^2$
 - (e) $\log_2 (6 - 5 \log_7 7)$

6. Given that $\log_4 x = 2$ and $\log_2 y = 3$, evaluate $\frac{x}{y}$.

7. Given that $\log_3 x = a$ and $\log_{\sqrt{3}} y = b$, express xy^2 as a power of 3.

8. Solve the following simultaneous equations.
 - (a) $\log_x 16 = 4$ and $\log_2 y = x$
 - (b) $\log_y x = 2$ and $xy = 8$

- *9. Given that $\log_4 y = a$ and $\log_3 (2y) = b$, show that $2a = 3b - 1$.

10. If $\log_2 (\log_3 x) = \log_5 5$, find x .

[Exercise 1.4]

1. Evaluate the following logarithms.

- (a) $\log_2 4$ (b) $\lg\left(\frac{1}{10}\right)$ (c) $\log_2 8$
(d) $\log_3 27$ (e) $\log_2\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)$ (f) $\log_9 \sqrt{3}$

2. Evaluate the following expressions.

- (a) $\log_3 2 + \log_3 4$ (b) $\log_3 36 - \log_3 12$
(c) $\log_2 60 - \log_2 15$ (d) $\log_3 4 + \log_3 2 - \log_3 72$
(e) $\log_6 54 - 2 \log_6 3$ (f) $\log_5 4 + 2 \log_5 3 - 2 \log_5 6$

3. Simplify and express each of the following as a single logarithm.

- (a) $\log_a 8 - 2 \log_a 4$ (b) $2 \log_x 5 - 3 \log_x 2 + \log_x 4$
(c) $\lg\left(\frac{8}{75}\right) - 2 \lg\left(\frac{3}{5}\right) + 4 \lg\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)$
(d) $2 \lg(x+2) + \lg(x+1) - \lg(x^2 + 3x + 2)$

4. Evaluate the following:

- (a) $\log_a \sqrt{a}$ (b) $\log_a \frac{1}{a^3}$
(c) $\frac{\log_a 9}{2 \log_a 27}$ (d) $\log_{\sqrt{a}} a^2$

5. Given that $\log_a 3 = 0.477$ and $\log_a 5 = 0.699$, evaluate the following:

- (a) $\log_a 15$ (b) $\log_a 3\sqrt{5}$ (c) $\log_a 0.6$
(d) $\frac{\log_a 25}{\log_a 3a}$ (e) $\log_a (5a^2)$ (f) $\log_a\left(\frac{9}{5a}\right)$

6. Given that $\log_4 3 = a$ and $\log_4 5 = b$, express the following in terms of a and b .

- (a) $\log_4 45$ (b) $\log_4 20$ (c) $\log_4 75$
(d) $\log_4 (0.6)$ (e) $\log_4 (0.75)$ (f) $\log_4 (1.8)$

7. Given that $\lg x = p$ and $\lg y = q$, express the following in terms of p and q .

- (a) $\lg(xy^2)$ (b) $\lg\left(\frac{10x}{y}\right)$ (c) $\lg \sqrt{10x^3y}$
(d) $\lg\left(\frac{100\sqrt{x}}{y^2}\right)$ (e) xy (f) $\lg(y^x)$

8. Find y in terms of x when

- (a) $\lg y = 1 + 3 \lg x$, (b) $\lg(y+1) = 2 - \frac{1}{2} \lg x$,
(c) $2 \log_3 y - 4 = 3 \log_3(x+2)$, (d) $3 + \log_2(x+y) = \log_2(x-2y)$.

9. If $\log_2(y+1) = 2 \log_2 x + c$ and $y = 3$ when $x = 2$, find y in terms of x .

10. Express each of the following as a single logarithm.

- (a) $2 + \log_3 5$ (b) $3 - 2 \lg 5$ (c) $3 \log_a 2 - 4 + \log_a a^3$

[Exercise 1.5]

For questions 1 to 10, solve for x .

1. $\log_2(x - 1) = \log_2(4x - 7)$

2. $\log_3(x + 2) + \log_3(x - 2) = \log_3(2x - 1)$

3. $\lg 18 + \lg\left(\frac{1}{3}x\right) - \lg(x + 1) = 0$

4. $\log_3 x + \log_3(x + 2) = 1$

5. $2 \lg 5 - \lg(x + 2) = 1 - \lg(2x - 1)$

6. $\log_2(x - 2) + \log_2(8 - x) - \log_2(x - 5) = 3$

7. $\log_2(x - 1)^2 = 2 + \log_2(x + 2)$

8. $\log_3(x + 2) + \log_3(10 - x) - 3 = 0$

9. $3 \log_x 2 + \log_x 18 = 2$

10. $\log_p 2 + \log_p(x - 1) = 0$

11. Evaluate.

(a) $\log_3 5 \cdot \log_5 27$

(b) $\frac{\log_5 4 \cdot \log_2 10}{\log_{25} \sqrt{10}}$

12. If a , b and c are positive numbers other than 1, show that
 $\log_b a \cdot \log_c b \cdot \log_a c = 1$.

13. By using the substitution $y = \log_3 x$ or otherwise, solve the equation

(a) $\log_3 x + 2 = 3 \log_x 3$,

(b) $\log_3 x^3 = (\log_3 x)^3$.

14. Solve the following equations.

(a) $\log_3 x = 9 \log_x 3$

(b) $4 \log_4 x - 9 \log_x 4 = 0$

(c) $\log_2 x = \log_4(x + 6)$

(d) $\log_5(5 - 4x) = \log_{\sqrt{5}}(2 - x)$

*15. If $2 \log_a x = 1 + \log_a(7x - 10a)$, find x in terms of a .

*16. Find x for which $27 \times 3^{\lg x} = 9^{1 + \lg(x-20)}$.

ANSWERS

CHAPTER 1

Exercise 1.1 (p. 2)

1. (a) 1 (b) 4 (c) 144 (d) $\frac{1}{2}$ (e) 5 (f) $\frac{1}{3}$
2. (a) 54 (b) 4
3. (a) $8y$ (b) $\frac{1}{2}y^2$ (c) $\frac{12}{y}$ (d) $\frac{32}{y^3}$ (e) $\frac{1}{2}y^2$ (f) $y^3 - \frac{1}{y^2}$
4. (a) $18y^2$ (b) $\frac{1}{6}y^2$ (c) $\frac{x^2}{y}$

Exercise 1.2 (p. 5)

1. (a) $\frac{3}{2}$ (b) $\frac{5}{2}$ (c) -2 (d) $-\frac{5}{2}$ (e) $\frac{1}{2}$ (f) 2
 (g) 2, -2 (h) 2 (i) $\frac{2}{3}$ (j) $\frac{5}{4}$ (k) 2 (l) -6, 2
 (m) -2, 4 (n) -2, 1
2. $a = 3, n = 2$
3. (a) $x = -\frac{4}{9}, y = \frac{1}{9}$ (b) $x = 2, y = 1$ (c) $x = 1, y = -1$
4. $m = 4, n = 3$ 5. 3
6. (a) 0, 1 (b) 0, 2
7. (a) 0, 1 (b) 1, 3 (c) $-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}$ (d) 0 (e) -2, 0 (f) 3
9. (a) 2 (b) ± 2 (c) 6 (d) 3 (e) 2 (f) 2
10. $r = 3, k = \frac{2}{3}$ 11. $x = 1, y = -1$ or $x = 2, y = 1$ 12. 4

Exercise 1.3 (p. 9)

1. (a) $4 = \log_2 16$ (b) $-2 = \log_3 \left(\frac{1}{9}\right)$ (c) $2 = \log_{10} 100$
 (d) $3 = \log_a y$ (e) $x = \log_2 p$ (f) $4 = \log_x (2 - k)$
2. (a) $5^3 = 125$ (b) $2^{-2} = \frac{1}{4}$ (c) $4^3 = 64$
 (d) $x^4 = 3$ (e) $3^n = y$ (f) $2^{p+1} = 4y$
3. (c), (d) and (e) are not defined
4. (a) 8 (b) 3 (c) $\frac{3}{2}$ (d) 5
 (e) $-\frac{7}{16}$ (f) $\frac{3}{4}$ (g) 2, 4 (h) 4
5. (a) -2 (b) 2 (c) 8 (d) $\frac{25}{16}$ (e) 0
6. 2 7. 3^{a+b}
8. (a) $x = 2, y = 4$ (b) $x = 4, y = 2$ 10. 9

