

7.5 notes: using logs!!

Use logs to solve for x...round to the nearest hundredth

1. $5^x = 62$ We need to get the x out of the exponent. If we take the log of both sides, then our power log rule will allow us to do that.

$$\log 5^x = \log 62$$

take the log of both sides
common.

$$x \log 5 = \log 62$$

now bring the x down as a coefficient

$$\frac{x \log 5}{\log 5} = \frac{\log 62}{\log 5}$$

divide both sides by log5 to solve for x

calculator ready

$$x = \frac{\log 62}{\log 5} \approx 2.56$$

use your calculator log(62) enter / log(5) enter; round to nearest hundredth

Will this work if we take the ln of both sides???? Let's see!!!

natural log

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2. $2^{x+1} = 42$

$$\ln(2^{x+1}) = \ln 42$$

$$(x+1) \frac{\ln 2}{\ln 2} = \frac{\ln 42}{\ln 2}$$

use power property

$$x+1 = \frac{\ln 42}{\ln 2}$$

$$x = \frac{\ln 42}{\ln 2} - 1$$

calculator ready

$$x \approx 4.39$$

3. $8 + 4^x = 19$

isolate exp. part 1st before taking log of BOTH SIDES

$$4^x = 11$$

$$\log 4^x = \log 11$$

$$x \frac{\log 4}{\log 4} = \frac{\log 11}{\log 4}$$

calc ready

$$x \approx 1.73$$

4. $10 - 5^x = 4$

$$\frac{-5^x}{-1} = \frac{-6}{-1}$$

$$5^x = 6$$

$$\log 5^x = \log 6$$

$$x \frac{\log 5}{\log 5} = \frac{\log 6}{\log 5}$$

calc ready

$$x = \frac{\log 6}{\log 5}$$

to nearest hundredth

$$x \approx 1.11$$

Other loose ends to tie up...

Evaluate:

1. $\log_5 19 = \frac{\log 19}{\log 5}$

$\log_5 19 = X$

$5^x = 19$

Looks like what we just learned to solve, so solve.

$\log 5^x = \log 19$
 $\times \frac{\log 5}{\log 5} = \frac{\log 19}{\log 5}$ so $X = \frac{\log 19}{\log 5}$

Now, try these. Look for a pattern.

2. $\log_{19} 499 = X = \frac{\log 499}{\log 19}$ 3. $\log_{95} 36 = \frac{\log 36}{\log 95}$
 $19^x = 499$
 $\log 19^x = \log 499$
 $x \log 19 = \log 499$

Change of Base Formula

For any positive numbers m, b and c with $b \neq 1$ and $c \neq 1$,

$$\log_b m = \frac{\log_c m}{\log_c b}$$

We are looking for a pattern...

Evaluate:

1. $\log_5 5^9$

Hint: Write in exponential form

$\log_5 5^9 = X$
 $5^x = 5^9$
 $X = 9$

2. $\log_7 7^8 = X$

$7^x = 7^8$
 $X = 8$

3. $\log_3 3^{40} = X$

$3^x = 3^{40}$
 $X = 40$

See anything????

4. $5^{\log_5 9}$

Hint: Write in log form

$5^{\log_5 9} = X$
 $\log_5 X = \log_5 9$
 $X = 9$

5. $4^{\log_4 7}$

$\log_4 X = \log_4 7$
 $X = 7$

so this must be eg 4=0

6. $19^{\log_{19} 100} = X$

$\log_{19} X = \log_{19} 100$
 $X = 100$

expand

See anything????

$12^{\log_{12} 71} = 71$

Exponential-Logarithmic Inverse Properties

For $b > 0$ and $b \neq 1$:

$$\log_b b^x = x \text{ and } b^{\log_b x} = x \text{ for } x > 0$$

Try these (use log properties):

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$$\begin{aligned} 1. \log_3 7 - \log_3 63 &= \log_3 \left(\frac{7}{63} \right) \\ &= \log_3 \left(\frac{1}{9} \right) \\ &= \log_3 \left(\frac{1}{3^2} \right) \\ &= \log_3 3^{-2} = \boxed{-2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2. \frac{1}{2} \log_2 6 - \log_2 \sqrt{48} &= \frac{1}{2} \log_2 6 - \frac{1}{2} \log_2 (48) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (\log_2 6 - \log_2 48) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \log_2 \frac{6}{48} = \frac{1}{2} \log_2 \frac{1}{8} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \log_2 \left(\frac{1}{2^3} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \log_2 (2^{-3}) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (-3) = \boxed{-\frac{3}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

Solve this:

$$3. \frac{2 \log(x+2)}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$\log_{10}(x+2) = \frac{1}{2}$ what is the base? 10

go to
exp.
form

$$10^{\frac{1}{2}} = x+2$$

$$\sqrt{10} = x+2$$

$$\sqrt{10} - 2 = x \leftarrow \text{calc ready form}$$