

Ch P.3 | Radicals & Rational Exponents

ex 1) $\sqrt{245} = \sqrt{5 \cdot 7 \cdot 7} = 7\sqrt{5}$ ex 2) $\sqrt{28} = 2\sqrt{7}$

ex 3) $\sqrt{98x^2} = 7x\sqrt{2}$ ex 4) $\sqrt[3]{27x^4} = 3x\sqrt[3]{x}$

ex 5) $\sqrt{10x} \cdot \sqrt{70x} = \sqrt{10x \cdot 70x} = 10x\sqrt{7}$ ex 6) $\sqrt{64} + \sqrt{36} = 8 + 6 = 14$

ex 7) $\sqrt{-36} = 6i$ ex 8) $\sqrt{\frac{81}{25}} = \frac{\sqrt{81}}{\sqrt{25}} = \frac{9}{5}$

ex 9) $\sqrt{\frac{32x}{2x}} = \sqrt{16} = 4$ (reduce if possible) ex 10) $\frac{\sqrt{168x^4}}{\sqrt{6x}} = \sqrt{\frac{168x^4}{6x}} = \sqrt{28x^3} = 2x\sqrt{7x}$

ex 11) $9\sqrt{3} + 3\sqrt{3} = 12\sqrt{3}$ (treat $\sqrt{\quad}$ like variable) ex 12) $\sqrt{5x} - 6\sqrt{20x} + 3\sqrt{180x} = \sqrt{5x} - 12\sqrt{5x} + 18\sqrt{5x} = 7\sqrt{5x}$

ex 13) $\sqrt[3]{x^7} = x^2\sqrt[3]{x}$ ex 14) $\sqrt[3]{x^{10}y^7z^6} = x^3y^2z^2\sqrt[3]{xy}$

ex 15) $\frac{\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{11}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{11}}{\sqrt{11}} = \frac{\sqrt{55}}{11}$ (Rationalize the denom.) ex 16) $\frac{5}{8-\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{8+\sqrt{2}}{8+\sqrt{2}} = \frac{40+5\sqrt{2}}{64-2} = \frac{40+5\sqrt{2}}{62}$ (Rationalize \rightarrow conjugate: $a \pm \sqrt{b}$)

ex 17) a) $(x^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} = x^{2 \cdot \frac{1}{2}} = x^1$ b) $x^{\frac{3}{4}} = \sqrt[4]{(x)^3}$ ex 18) $625^{\frac{1}{4}} = \sqrt[4]{625} = 5$

Rational Exponents: $a^{\frac{m}{n}} = \sqrt[n]{a^m}$ (radicals)

reciprocate

$$\text{ex 19) } 16^{-\frac{3}{2}} = \frac{1}{16^{\frac{3}{2}}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt[2]{16 \cdot 16 \cdot 16}} = \frac{1}{16 \cdot 4} = \frac{1}{64}$$

$$\text{ex 20) } (8x^{\frac{3}{4}}) \cdot (7x^{\frac{1}{2}}) = 8 \cdot 7 \cdot x^{\frac{3}{4}} \cdot x^{\frac{1}{2}} = 56 \cdot x^{\frac{3}{4} + \frac{1}{2}} = 56x^{\frac{5}{4}}$$

$$\text{ex 21) } (81x^6y^4)^{\frac{1}{2}} = 81^{\frac{1}{2}} (x^6)^{\frac{1}{2}} (y^4)^{\frac{1}{2}} = 9x^3y^2$$

$$\text{ex 22) } (125x^8y^9)^{\frac{1}{3}} = 125^{\frac{1}{3}} (x^8)^{\frac{1}{3}} (y^9)^{\frac{1}{3}} = 5x^{\frac{8}{3}}y^3$$

→ radical form

→ $5y^3 \sqrt[3]{x^8}$
 → $5y^3 x^2 \sqrt[3]{x^2}$
 $5x^2y^3 \sqrt[3]{x^2}$

ex 23) Simplify by reducing the index.

$$\sqrt[6]{8x^3} = 8^{\frac{1}{6}} x^{\frac{3}{6}} = (2^3)^{\frac{1}{6}} x^{\frac{3}{6}} = 2^{\frac{3}{6}} x^{\frac{3}{6}} = 2^{\frac{1}{2}} x^{\frac{1}{2}} = (2x)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \sqrt{2x}$$

→ rat'l exp...
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