

EXERCISES

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Practice and Problem Solving

A Practice by Example



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Simplify each expression.

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| 1. $-(2.57)^0$ | 2. 4^{-2} | 3. $(-5)^{-2}$ | 4. -5^{-2} |
| 5. $(-4)^{-2}$ | 6. -3^{-4} | 7. 2^{-6} | 8. -12^{-1} |
| 9. $\frac{1}{2^0}$ | 10. 78^{-1} | 11. $(-4)^{-3}$ | 12. -4^{-3} |

Copy and complete each equation.

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| 13. $4n^{\blacksquare} = \frac{4}{n^2}$ | 14. $\frac{x^{\blacksquare}}{2y^{\blacksquare}} = \frac{1}{2x^{-3}y^4}$ | 15. $\frac{a^{\blacksquare}}{3b^{\blacksquare}} = \frac{b^3}{3}$ | 16. $3xy^{\blacksquare} = \frac{3x}{y^5}$ |
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Simplify each expression.

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| 17. $3ab^0$ | 18. $5x^{-4}$ | 19. $\frac{1}{x^{-7}}$ | 20. $\frac{1}{c^{-1}}$ |
| 21. $\frac{5^{-2}}{p}$ | 22. $a^{-4}c^0$ | 23. $\frac{3x^{-2}}{y}$ | 24. $\frac{7ab^{-2}}{3w}$ |
| 25. $x^{-5}y^{-7}$ | 26. $x^{-5}y^7$ | 27. $\frac{8}{2c^{-3}}$ | 28. $\frac{7s}{5t^{-3}}$ |
| 29. $\frac{6a^{-1}c^{-3}}{d^0}$ | 30. $2^{-3}x^2z^{-7}$ | 31. $9^0y^7t^{-11}$ | 32. $\frac{7s^0t^{-5}}{2^{-1}m^2}$ |

Evaluate each expression for $r = -3$ and $s = 5$.

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| 33. s^{-2} | 34. r^{-2} | 35. $-r^{-2}$ | 36. s^0 |
| 37. $3s^{-2}$ | 38. $(2s)^{-2}$ | 39. $r^{-4}s^2$ | 40. $\frac{1}{r^{-4}s^2}$ |
| 41. s^2r^{-3} | 42. r^0s^{-2} | 43. $5r^3s^{-1}$ | 44. $2^{-4}r^3s^{-2}$ |

45. a. Suppose your allowance doubles every week. This week you receive \$2.56. How much will your allowance be three weeks from now? How much was your allowance three weeks ago?
 b. **Critical Thinking** From a parent's point of view, is doubling your allowance each week a good plan? Explain.

B Apply Your Skills

Mental Math Is the value of each expression *positive* or *negative*?

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| 46. -2^2 | 47. $(-2)^2$ | 48. 2^{-2} | 49. $(-2)^3$ | 50. $(-2)^{-3}$ |
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Write each number as a power of 10 using negative exponents.

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| 51. $\frac{1}{10}$ | 52. $\frac{1}{100}$ | 53. $\frac{1}{1000}$ | 54. $\frac{1}{10,000}$ | 55. $\frac{1}{100,000}$ |
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Write each expression as a decimal.

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| 56. 10^{-3} | 57. 10^{-6} | 58. $7 \cdot 10^{-1}$ | 59. $3 \cdot 10^{-2}$ | 60. $5 \cdot 10^{-4}$ |
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61. a. **Patterns** Complete the pattern using powers of 5.

$$\frac{1}{5^2} = \blacksquare \quad \frac{1}{5^1} = \blacksquare \quad \frac{1}{5^0} = \blacksquare \quad \frac{1}{5^{-1}} = \blacksquare \quad \frac{1}{5^{-2}} = \blacksquare$$

b. Write $\frac{1}{5^{-4}}$ using a positive exponent.

c. Rewrite $\frac{1}{a^{-n}}$ so that the power of a is in the numerator.

62. **Multiple Choice** Which expression is equivalent to $\frac{3x^{-2}y^3}{9x^3y^{-5}}$?

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| (A) $\frac{3x^{-5}}{y^8}$ | (B) $\frac{xy^2}{3}$ | (C) $3xy^2$ | (D) $\frac{y^8}{3x^5}$ |
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