

**PART A**

1) Show why each of the following is true.

a)  $(2^3)^4 = 2^{12}$       b)  $(2 \times 3)^4 = 2^4 \times 3^4$       c)  $\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^4 = \frac{2^4}{3^4}$

2) State the value that should be placed in each box.

a)  $(2^3)^5 = 2^{\square}$       b)  $(x^5)^3 = x^{\square}$       c)  $(3^4)^6 = \square^{24}$       d)  $(y^3)^{\square} = y^{18}$   
 e)  $(xy)^4 = x^4 y^{\square}$       f)  $(3pq)^{\square} = 3^{10} p^{10} q^{10}$       g)  $\left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^7 = \frac{5^7}{6^{\square}}$       h)  $\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^{\square} = \frac{a^9}{b^9}$

3) State the value that should be placed in each box.

a)  $(x^4 y^6)^2 = x^{\square} y^{12}$       b)  $(35x^4 y^6)^2 = 1225x^{\square} y^{12}$       c)  $\left(\frac{x^8}{y^3}\right)^4 = \frac{x^{\square}}{y^{12}}$       d)  $\left(\frac{a^2}{b^3}\right)^{\square} = \frac{a^{14}}{b^{21}}$

**PART B**

$p \times p \times p \times p \times p \times p$
$p^2 \times p^2 \times p^2$
$p^3 \times p^3$
$p^5$
$p^6$

4) The table on the right contains five expressions. Identify all of these expressions that are equal to  $(p^3)^2$ .

5) Use at least one exponent rule to find an equivalent/simplified expression.

a)  $(6^5)^4$       b)  $(x^3)^6$       c)  $(xy)^8$       d)  $\left(\frac{x}{y}\right)^7$       e)  $(2x)^3$       f)  $\left(\frac{1}{2}xy\right)^2$   
 g)  $\left(\frac{a}{4}\right)^3$       h)  $(x^2 y^3)^5$       i)  $\left(\frac{x^8}{y^4}\right)^3$       j)  $(4^2 a^3 b^6)^3$       k)  $(-2mn^4)^6$       l)  $\left(\frac{-5}{p^8}\right)^3$

6) Use at least one exponent rule to find an equivalent/simplified expression and then evaluate for  $x = -1$  and  $y = 2$ .

a)  $\left(\frac{x}{y}\right)^3$       b)  $(3xy)^4$       c)  $(x^2 y)^2$       d)  $\left(\frac{x^5}{y^3}\right)^2$       e)  $\left(\frac{4}{y^2}\right)^3$       f)  $\left(\frac{1}{2}x^5 y^2\right)^4$

7) Express  $4^3$  as a power with a base of 2.

8) Express  $25^4$  as a power with a base of 5.

9) Express  $27^2$  as a power with a base of 3.

10) Express  $\left(\frac{1}{81}\right)^4$  as a power with a base of  $\frac{1}{3}$ .

- 11) Without actually calculating the value of either power, show that  $16^3$  is equal to  $4^6$ .
- 12) Without actually calculating the value of either power, show that  $5^{183}$  is equal to  $125^{61}$ .

### PART C

13) Simplify  $\left[ (x^2)^3 \right]^4$ .

14) Simplify  $\left( \left( (m^2 n^3)^2 \right)^4 \right)^5$ .

15) Simplify  $\left[ \frac{(a^3)^2}{(b^2)^4} \right]^5$

- 16) Kendra needs to quickly determine whether  $3^{40}$  is greater than or less than  $4^{30}$ , but she does not have access to a calculator. How can she use her knowledge that  $3^4 = 81$  and  $4^3 = 64$  to solve her problem. Which power has the greater value?
- 17) A cube has a side length of  $x^4$  cm.
- Express the volume of the cube as a power of a power.
  - Express the volume of the cube in simplified form.
  - Determine an expression for the surface area of the cube in simplified form.

**ANSWERS**

1) a) One possible explanation is as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}(2^3)^4 &= 2^3 \times 2^3 \times 2^3 \times 2^3 \\ &= (2 \times 2 \times 2) \times (2 \times 2 \times 2) \times (2 \times 2 \times 2) \times (2 \times 2 \times 2) \\ &= 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \\ &= 2^{12}\end{aligned}$$

b) One possible explanation is as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}(2 \times 3)^4 &= (2 \times 3) \times (2 \times 3) \times (2 \times 3) \times (2 \times 3) \\ &= 2 \times 3 \times 2 \times 3 \times 2 \times 3 \times 2 \times 3 \\ &= 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 3 \times 3 \times 3 \times 3 \\ &= (2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2) \times (3 \times 3 \times 3 \times 3) \\ &= 2^4 \times 3^4\end{aligned}$$

c) One possible explanation is as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^4 &= \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{2}{3} \\ &= \frac{2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2}{3 \times 3 \times 3 \times 3} \\ &= \frac{2^4}{3^4}\end{aligned}$$

2) a) 15    b) 15    c) 3    d) 6    e) 4    f) 10    g) 7    h) 9

3) a) 8    b) 8    c) 32    d) 7

4)  $p \times p \times p \times p \times p \times p$ ,  $p^2 \times p^2 \times p^2$ ,  $p^3 \times p^3$ ,  $p^6$

5) a)  $6^{20}$     b)  $x^{18}$     c)  $x^8 y^8$     d)  $\frac{x^7}{y^7}$     e)  $8x^3$     f)  $\frac{1}{4}x^2 y^2$     g)  $\frac{a^3}{64}$     h)  $x^{10} y^{15}$     i)  $\frac{x^{24}}{y^{12}}$

j)  $4096a^9 b^{18}$     k)  $64m^6 n^{24}$     l)  $-\frac{125}{p^{24}}$

6) a)  $\frac{x^3}{y^3}; -\frac{1}{8}$     b)  $81x^4 y^4; 1296$     c)  $x^4 y^2; 4$     d)  $\frac{x^{10}}{y^6}; \frac{1}{64}$     e)  $\frac{64}{y^6}; 1$

f)  $\frac{1}{16}x^{20} y^8; 16$

7)  $2^6$     8)  $5^8$     9)  $3^6$     10)  $\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{16}$

11)  $16^3 = (4^2)^3$     12)  $5^{183} = 5^{3 \times 61}$     13)  $x^{24}$     14)  $m^{80} n^{120}$     15)  $\frac{a^{30}}{b^{40}}$   
 $= 4^6$      $= (5^3)^{61}$   
 $= 125^{61}$

16)  $3^{40}$  can be expressed as  $(3^4)^{10}$ .  $4^{30}$  can be expressed as  $(4^3)^{10}$ . Since Kendra knows that  $3^4 > 4^3$ , she can conclude that  $(3^4)^{10} > (4^3)^{10}$ . Therefore,  $3^{40}$  is greater than  $4^{30}$ .

17) a)  $(x^4)^3 \text{ cm}^3$     b)  $x^{12} \text{ cm}^3$     c)  $6x^8 \text{ cm}^2$