

# Warmup!

*Don't copy - lets just do it together!*

Review: tricky negatives ...evaluate each of the following.

a)  $(-2)^4$     b)  $-2^4$     c)  $-3^2$     d)  $(-3)^2$     e)  $-(-5)^2$

$= (-2)(-2)(-2)(-2)$      $= -9$      $= 9$      $= -(-5)(-5)$

$= 16$      $= -2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2$      $= -25$

$= -16$

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## 4.2 Zero and Negative Exponents

Complete the following chart. Evaluate each to standard form. Leave as whole numbers or fractions.

Expression to be Simplified	Write in Expanded Form	Using Exponent Laws
$\frac{2^3}{2^1}$	$= \frac{2 \times 2 \times 2}{2}$ $= 4$	$2^{3-1} = 2^2$ $= 4$
$\frac{2^3}{2^2}$	$= \frac{2 \times 2 \times 2}{2 \times 2}$ $= 2$	$2^{3-2} = 2^1$ $= 2$
$\frac{2^3}{2^3}$	$= \frac{2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2}{2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2}$ $= 1$	$2^{3-3} = 2^0$ $= 1$
$\frac{2^3}{2^4}$	$= \frac{2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2}{2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2}$ $= \frac{1}{2}$	$2^{3-4} = 2^{-1}$ $= \frac{1}{2^1}$ $\int \rightarrow = \frac{1}{2}$

**HOW** is the exponent law expression **RELATED TO** the expanded form expression?

**They are the same**

What do you notice about the result of an expression with an **exponent of zero**?

**They are equal to one**

What do you notice about the result of an expression with an **exponent that is negative**?

**The term becomes a fraction  $\frac{1}{base}$  with an exponent on the base that is positive**

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## 4.2 Zero and Negative Exponents

### THE ZERO EXPONENT

Any number (or expression) divided by itself is equal to 1  
 Use exponent laws to evaluate each of the following:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a) } \frac{2^3}{2^3} &= 2^{3-3} \\ &= 2^0 \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{b) } \frac{x^4}{x^4} &= x^{4-4} \\ &= x^0 \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

Any base to the exponent 0 equals 1  
note your BASE cannot be 0

$$a^0 = 1$$

Ex. 1 Evaluate each of the following:

a) $5^0$	b) $(-3)^0$	c) $3 \times 2^0$	d) $198643^0$	e) $-4^0$
$= 1$	$= 1$	$= 3 \cdot 1$ $= 3$	$= 1$	$= -1$

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### THE NEGATIVE EXPONENT

Any BASE raised to a NEGATIVE exponent is equal to the reciprocal of the base raised to the same positive exponent. (flip it) and to make it a positive exponent.

$$a^{-m} = \frac{1}{a^m}$$

and

$$\frac{1}{a^{-m}} = a^m$$

$$\begin{aligned} &(4)^{-1} \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &(-3)^{-5} \\ &= \frac{1}{(-3)^5} \\ &= \frac{1}{-243} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &:- 3^{-2} \\ &\curvearrowright \end{aligned}$$

Ex. 2 Evaluate. No decimals.

a) $8^{-2}$	b) $(-3)^{-4}$	c) $1^{-7}$	d) $-3^{-2}$
$= \frac{1}{8^2}$ $= \frac{1}{64}$	$= \frac{1}{(-3)^4}$ $= \frac{1}{81}$	$= \frac{1}{1^7}$ $= \frac{1}{1}$ $= 1$	$= -\frac{1}{3^2}$ $= -\frac{1}{9}$

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Ex. 3 Evaluate. No decimals.

$$\begin{array}{llll} \text{a) } \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{-2} & \text{b) } \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{-1} & \text{c) } \left(\frac{1}{10}\right)^{-3} & \text{d) } \left(\frac{3}{7}\right)^{-2} \\ = \left(\frac{4}{1}\right)^2 & = \frac{5}{2} & = \left(\frac{10}{1}\right)^3 & = \left(\frac{7}{3}\right)^2 \\ = 4^2 & & = 10^3 & = \frac{7^2}{3^2} \\ = 16 & & = 1000 & \end{array}$$

SIMPLIFYING EXPRESSIONS

The rules for positive exponents also work for zero and negative exponents. Continue to follow the rules for order of operations (BEDMAS) when simplifying &amp; evaluating.

Ex. 4 Use exponent laws to write as a single power, then evaluate. No decimals.

$$\begin{array}{llll} \text{a) } 5^3 \times 5^{-5} & \text{b) } (2^3)^2 & \text{c) } 4^{-3} \div 4^{-5} & \text{d) } \left(\frac{1}{3^2}\right)\left(\frac{1}{3^{-6}}\right) \\ = 5^{3+(-5)} & = 2^{-6} & = 4^{-3-(-5)} & = 3^{-2} \cdot 3^6 \\ = 5^{-2} & = \frac{1}{2^6} & = 4^{-3+5} & = 3^4 \\ = \frac{1}{5^2} & = \frac{1}{64} & = 4^2 & = 81 \\ = \frac{1}{25} & & = 16 & \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{llll} \text{e) } \frac{7^2}{7^4} & \text{f) } (-2)^3(-2)^4 & \text{g) } \frac{12^6}{12^6} & \text{h) } \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{-5}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 \\ = 7^{2-4} & = (-2)^{3+(-4)} & = 12^{6-6} & = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{-5+3} \\ = 7^{-2} & = (-2)^{-1} & = 12^0 & = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{-2} \\ = \frac{1}{7^2} & = \frac{1}{-2} & = 1 & = (2)^2 \\ = \frac{1}{49} & = -\frac{1}{2} & & = 4 \end{array}$$

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Ex. 5 Write each number as a power with the stated base

25 (with base of 5)

$$= 5^?$$

$$= 5^2$$

32 (with base of 2)

$$= 2^?$$

$$= 2^5$$

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#2<sub>ag</sub>, 3<sub>left column</sub>, 8<sub>left column</sub>

#11<sub>ac</sub>, 12-15, 16<sub>dh</sub>

you can try the Interactive work sheet  
before you start the practice

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