

8.3 Properties of Logarithms

SOLUTIONS

PRACTICE

DIRECTIONS: Expand each Logarithm.

1) $\log_2 3x$

$$\log_2 3 + \log_2 x$$

2) $\log_5 \frac{4}{c}$

$$\log_5 4 - \log_5 c$$

3) $\log_9 3h^3$

$$\log_9 3 + \log_9 h^3$$

$$\log_9 3 + 3\log_9 h$$

4) $\log_6 \frac{5h}{4}$

$$\log_6 5 + \log_6 h - \log_6 4$$

5) $\log(5t)^{x+2}$

$$\log 5^{x+2} + \log t^{x+2}$$

$$(x+2)\log 5 + (x+2)\log t$$

6) $\ln \sqrt{2h}$

$$\ln (2h)^{1/2} = \ln 2^{1/2} + \ln h^{1/2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \ln 2 + \frac{1}{2} \ln h$$

DIRECTIONS: Condense each logarithm.

7) $\log_4 6 + \log_4 2$

$$= \log_4 (6 \cdot 2)$$

$$= \log_4 12$$

8) $\log_7 8 - \log_7 x$

$$\log_7 \frac{8}{x}$$

9) $\frac{1}{2} \log_2 x$

$$\log_2 x^{1/2} = \log_2 \sqrt{x}$$

10) $4 \ln x + \ln 5$

$$\ln x^4 + \ln 5$$

$$\ln 5x^4$$

11) $\log_3 6 + \log_3 y - \log_3 2$

$$\log_3 \frac{6y}{2}$$

12) $3 \log x - 2 \log y - \log z$

$$\log x^3 - \log y^2 - \log z$$

$$\log \frac{x^3}{y^2 z}$$

DIRECTIONS: Simplify.

13) $\log_4 40 + \log_4 25.6$

$$\log_4 (40)(25.6)$$

$$4^x = 1024$$

$$4^x = 4^5$$

$$x = 5$$

14) $\log_3 81^2 + \log_6 6^{2x}$

$$2 \log_3 81 + 2x \log_6 6$$

$$2(\log_3 3^4) + 2x(1)$$

$$2(4) + 2x$$

$$8 + 2x$$

15) $\log_2 60 + \log_2 12.8 - \log_2 6$

$$\log_2 \frac{60(12.8)}{6} = \log_2 \frac{768}{6}$$

$$x = \log_2 128$$

$$2^x = 128$$

$$2^x = 2^7 \rightarrow x = 7$$

14) $\log_{x-3} (x-3)^3$

$$3$$

15) $\log_{x+2} (x^2 + 4x + 4)^4 + \log_5 5$

$$= \log_{x+2} (x+2)^8 + 1$$

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$$= 8 + 1$$

$$= 9$$

16) $\log_3 27 + \log_3 54 - \log_3 2$

$$\log_3 \frac{27(54)}{2} = \log_3 \frac{1458}{2}$$

$$x = \log_3 729$$

$$3^x = 729$$

$$3^x = 3^6 \rightarrow x = 6$$

Solve. Express your radical solutions in the simplest form.

17) $(3y)^2 + 10 = -18$

$$\begin{array}{r} -10 \quad -10 \\ \hline \sqrt{(3y)^2} = \sqrt{-28} \\ 3y = \pm \sqrt{-4} \sqrt{7} \\ 3y = \pm 2i\sqrt{7} \\ y = \frac{\pm 2i\sqrt{7}}{3} \end{array}$$

18) $(2t + 3)^2 + 39 = 3$

$$\begin{array}{r} -39 \quad -39 \\ \hline \sqrt{(2t+3)^2} = \sqrt{-36} \\ 2t+3 = \pm 6i \\ 2t = \pm 6i - 3 \\ t = \frac{\pm 6i - 3}{2} = \frac{\pm 3i - 3}{2} \end{array}$$