

Laws of Exponents

Given: $\sqrt[n]{x} = x^{\frac{1}{n}}$, $(\sqrt[n]{x})^m = x^{\frac{m}{n}}$, $\sqrt[n]{x^m} = x^{\frac{m}{n}}$, $\sqrt[n]{\frac{x}{y}} = \frac{x^{\frac{1}{n}}}{y^{\frac{1}{n}}}$, $\left(\sqrt[n]{\frac{x^m}{y^p}}\right) = \frac{x^{\frac{m}{n}}}{y^{\frac{p}{n}}}$

Write each of the following radicals in simplified exponential form and simplified radical form:

Simplified exponential first and simplified radical after the arrow.

$$1. \sqrt{x} = x^{\frac{1}{2}} \Rightarrow \sqrt{x}$$

$$2. \sqrt{x^3} = x^{\frac{3}{2}} \Rightarrow \sqrt{x^3} = x\sqrt{x}$$

$$3. \sqrt{xy} = (xy)^{\frac{1}{2}} = x^{\frac{1}{2}}y^{\frac{1}{2}} \Rightarrow \sqrt{xy}$$

$$4. \sqrt{x^3y^5} = (x^3y^5)^{\frac{1}{2}} = x^{\frac{3}{2}}y^{\frac{5}{2}} \Rightarrow \sqrt{x^3y^5} = xy^2\sqrt{xy}$$

$$5. \sqrt{x^{11}y^2} = (x^{11}y^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} = x^{\frac{11}{2}}y^{\frac{2}{2}} \Rightarrow \sqrt{x^{11}y^2} = x^5y\sqrt{x}$$

$$6. \sqrt[3]{x} = x^{\frac{1}{3}} \Rightarrow \sqrt[3]{x}$$

$$7. \sqrt[4]{x^2y^5} = (x^2y^5)^{\frac{1}{4}} = x^{\frac{2}{4}}y^{\frac{5}{4}} \Rightarrow \sqrt[4]{x^2y^5} = y\sqrt[4]{x^2y}$$

$$8. \sqrt[5]{x^5y^3z^{12}} = (x^5y^3z^{12})^{\frac{1}{5}} = x^{\frac{5}{5}}y^{\frac{3}{5}}z^{\frac{12}{5}} \Rightarrow \sqrt[5]{x^5y^3z^{12}} = xz^2\sqrt[5]{y^3z^2}$$

$$9. \sqrt{\frac{x}{y}} = \frac{x^{\frac{1}{2}}}{y^{\frac{1}{2}}} \Rightarrow \sqrt{\frac{x}{y}} = \frac{\sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{y}} = \frac{\sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{y}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{y}}{\sqrt{y}} = \frac{\sqrt{xy}}{y}$$

$$10. \sqrt{\frac{x^3}{y^7}} = \frac{x^{\frac{3}{2}}}{y^{\frac{7}{2}}} \Rightarrow \sqrt{\frac{x^3}{y^7}} = \frac{\sqrt{x^3}}{\sqrt{y^7}} = \frac{\sqrt{x^3}}{\sqrt{y^7}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{y}}{\sqrt{y}} = \frac{x\sqrt{xy}}{y^4}$$

$$11. \sqrt[5]{\frac{x^5y^9}{z^7}} = \frac{x^{\frac{5}{5}}y^{\frac{9}{5}}}{z^{\frac{7}{5}}} \Rightarrow \sqrt[5]{\frac{x^5y^9}{z^7}} = \frac{\sqrt[5]{x^5y^9}}{\sqrt[5]{z^7}} = \frac{\sqrt[5]{x^5y^9}}{\sqrt[5]{z^7}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt[5]{z^3}}{\sqrt[5]{z^3}} = \frac{xy^5\sqrt[5]{y^4z^3}}{z^2}$$

$$12. \sqrt{x}\sqrt[3]{x} = x^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot x^{\frac{1}{3}} = x^{\frac{3}{6}} \cdot x^{\frac{2}{6}} = x^{\frac{5}{6}} \Rightarrow \sqrt[6]{x^5}$$

$$13. \sqrt{xy^2}\sqrt[4]{x^3y^5} = (xy^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot (x^3y^5)^{\frac{1}{4}} = x^{\frac{1}{2}}y^{\frac{2}{2}} \cdot x^{\frac{3}{4}}y^{\frac{5}{4}} = x^{\frac{2}{4}}y^{\frac{4}{4}} \cdot x^{\frac{3}{4}}y^{\frac{5}{4}} = x^{\frac{5}{4}}y^{\frac{9}{4}} \Rightarrow \sqrt[4]{x^5y^9} = xy^2\sqrt[4]{xy}$$

$$14. \frac{\sqrt{x}}{\sqrt[3]{x}} = \frac{x^{\frac{1}{2}}}{x^{\frac{1}{3}}} = \frac{x^{\frac{3}{2}}}{x^{\frac{1}{6}}} = x^{\frac{1}{6}} \Rightarrow \sqrt[6]{x}$$

$$15. \frac{\sqrt{x^5}}{\sqrt[5]{x^2}} = \frac{x^{\frac{5}{2}}}{x^{\frac{2}{5}}} = \frac{x^{\frac{25}{10}}}{x^{\frac{4}{10}}} = x^{\frac{21}{10}} \Rightarrow \sqrt[10]{x^{21}} = x^2 \sqrt[10]{x}$$

$$16. \frac{\sqrt[3]{x^2 y}}{\sqrt{x^3 y^7}} = \frac{(x^2 y)^{\frac{1}{3}}}{(x^3 y^7)^{\frac{1}{2}}} = \frac{x^{\frac{2}{3}} y^{\frac{1}{3}}}{x^{\frac{3}{2}} y^{\frac{7}{2}}} = \frac{x^{\frac{4}{6}} y^{\frac{2}{6}}}{x^{\frac{9}{6}} y^{\frac{21}{6}}} = \frac{1}{x^{\frac{5}{6}} y^{\frac{19}{6}}} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt[6]{x^5 y^{19}}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt[6]{x^5 y^{19}}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt[6]{xy^5}}{\sqrt[6]{xy^5}} = \frac{\sqrt[6]{xy^5}}{xy^4}$$

$$17. (\sqrt{x^3})^5 = \left(x^{\frac{3}{2}}\right)^5 = x^{\frac{15}{2}} \Rightarrow \sqrt[10]{x^3}$$

$$18. (\sqrt{x^3 y^5})^4 = \left((x^3 y^5)^{\frac{1}{2}}\right)^4 = \left(x^{\frac{3}{2}} y^{\frac{5}{2}}\right)^4 = x^{\frac{12}{2}} y^{\frac{20}{2}} \Rightarrow \sqrt{x^{12} y^{20}} = x^6 y^{10}$$

$$19. \frac{(\sqrt{xy^3})^5}{(\sqrt[3]{x^2 y})^2} = \frac{\left((xy^3)^{\frac{1}{2}}\right)^5}{\left((x^2 y)^{\frac{1}{3}}\right)^2} = \frac{\left(x^{\frac{1}{2}} y^{\frac{3}{2}}\right)^5}{\left(x^{\frac{2}{3}} y^{\frac{1}{3}}\right)^2} = \frac{x^{\frac{5}{2}} y^{\frac{15}{2}}}{x^{\frac{4}{3}} y^{\frac{2}{3}}} = \frac{x^{\frac{15}{6}} y^{\frac{45}{6}}}{x^{\frac{8}{6}} y^{\frac{4}{6}}} = x^{\frac{7}{6}} y^{\frac{41}{6}} \Rightarrow \sqrt[6]{x^7 y^{41}} = xy^6 \sqrt[6]{xy^5}$$

$$20. (\sqrt[3]{x^2 y^3})^5 (\sqrt[4]{xy^5})^2 = \left((x^2 y^3)^{\frac{1}{3}}\right)^5 \cdot \left((xy^5)^{\frac{1}{4}}\right)^2 = \left(x^{\frac{2}{3}} y^{\frac{3}{3}}\right)^5 \cdot \left(x^{\frac{1}{4}} y^{\frac{5}{4}}\right)^2 = x^{\frac{10}{3}} y^{\frac{15}{3}} \cdot x^{\frac{2}{4}} y^{\frac{10}{4}} = x^{\frac{40}{12}} y^{\frac{60}{12}} \cdot x^{\frac{6}{12}} y^{\frac{30}{12}} = x^{\frac{46}{12}} y^{\frac{90}{12}} \Rightarrow \sqrt[12]{x^{46} y^{90}} = x^3 y^7 \sqrt[12]{x^{10} y^6}$$

$$21. \frac{(\sqrt{xy})^3 (\sqrt[3]{x^3 y^2})^2}{\sqrt[4]{x^4 y^3}} = \frac{\left((xy)^{\frac{1}{2}}\right)^3 \left((x^3 y^2)^{\frac{1}{3}}\right)^2}{(x^4 y^3)^{\frac{1}{4}}} = \frac{\left(x^{\frac{1}{2}} y^{\frac{1}{2}}\right)^3 \left(x^{\frac{3}{3}} y^{\frac{2}{3}}\right)^2}{(x^4 y^3)^{\frac{1}{4}}} = \frac{x^{\frac{3}{2}} y^{\frac{3}{2}} \cdot x^{\frac{6}{3}} y^{\frac{4}{3}}}{x^{\frac{4}{4}} y^{\frac{3}{4}}} = \frac{x^{\frac{18}{12}} y^{\frac{18}{12}} \cdot x^{\frac{24}{12}} y^{\frac{16}{12}}}{x^{\frac{12}{12}} y^{\frac{9}{12}}} =$$

$$\frac{x^{\frac{42}{12}} y^{\frac{34}{12}}}{x^{\frac{12}{12}} y^{\frac{9}{12}}} = x^{\frac{30}{12}} y^{\frac{25}{12}} \Rightarrow \sqrt[12]{x^{30} y^{25}} = x^2 y^2 \sqrt[12]{x^6 y}$$

$$22. \sqrt[4]{\sqrt[3]{\sqrt{x^5 y^7}}} = \left(\left((x^5 y^7)^{\frac{1}{2}}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}}\right)^{\frac{1}{4}} = x^{\frac{5}{24}} y^{\frac{7}{24}} \Rightarrow \sqrt[24]{x^5 y^7}$$

$$23. \sqrt[3]{\sqrt[4]{\sqrt{256x^{34}y^{29}}}} = \left(\left((2^8 x^{34} y^{29})^{\frac{1}{2}} \right)^{\frac{1}{4}} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} = 2^{\frac{8}{24}} x^{\frac{34}{24}} y^{\frac{29}{24}} \Rightarrow \sqrt[24]{2^8 x^{34} y^{29}} = xy^{24} \sqrt[24]{2^8 x^{10} y^5}$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{12x^3y^5} \sqrt[4]{24x^{-5}y^3}}{\sqrt[3]{36x^4y^{-4}}} = \frac{(2^2 \cdot 3x^3y^5)^{\frac{1}{2}} (2^3 \cdot 3x^{-5}y^3)^{\frac{1}{4}}}{(2^2 \cdot 3^2 x^4 y^{-4})^{\frac{1}{3}}} = \frac{2^{\frac{2}{2}} \cdot 3^{\frac{1}{2}} x^{\frac{3}{2}} y^{\frac{5}{2}} \cdot 2^{\frac{3}{4}} \cdot 3^{\frac{1}{4}} x^{-\frac{5}{4}} y^{\frac{3}{4}}}{2^{\frac{2}{3}} \cdot 3^{\frac{2}{3}} x^{\frac{4}{3}} y^{-\frac{4}{3}}} =$$

$$24. \frac{2^{\frac{12}{12}} \cdot 3^{\frac{6}{12}} x^{\frac{18}{12}} y^{\frac{30}{12}} \cdot 2^{\frac{9}{12}} \cdot 3^{\frac{3}{12}} y^{\frac{9}{12}} \mathbf{y^{\frac{16}{12}}}}{2^{\frac{8}{12}} \cdot 3^{\frac{8}{12}} \mathbf{x^{\frac{15}{12}}} x^{\frac{16}{12}}} = \frac{2^{\frac{21}{12}} 3^{\frac{9}{12}} x^{\frac{18}{12}} y^{\frac{55}{12}}}{2^{\frac{8}{12}} \cdot 3^{\frac{8}{12}} x^{\frac{31}{12}}} = \frac{2^{\frac{13}{12}} 3^{\frac{1}{12}} y^{\frac{55}{12}}}{x^{\frac{13}{12}}} \Rightarrow$$

$$\frac{\sqrt[12]{2^{13} 3 y^{55}}}{\sqrt[12]{x^{13}}} = \frac{\sqrt[12]{2^{13} 3 y^{55}}}{\sqrt[12]{x^{13}}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt[12]{x^{11}}}{\sqrt[12]{x^{11}}} = \frac{2y^{4\frac{11}{12}} \sqrt[12]{2 \cdot 3 \cdot x^{11} y^7}}{x^2}$$