

5.1 Growth and Decay Integral Exponents

Suppose the cost of a hamburger is increasing at 9% each year. If a hamburger costs \$5 today,

- a) How much will it cost in one year?

- b) How much will it cost in two years?

- c) How much will it cost in 10 years?

d) How much will it cost in t years?

e) What would a negative exponent mean?

The cost of a graphing calculator that costs \$150 today is decreasing by 8% each year.

a) How much will the same calculator cost in one year?

b) How much will the same calculator cost in t years?

Growth and decay can be modeled by

$$A(t) = A_0(1 + r)^t$$

where A_0 = the initial amount

$A(t)$ = the amount at time t

r = the growth rate

if $r > 0$, exponential growth

if $r < 0$, exponential decay

Exponent Laws

Same Bases:

1. $b^x \cdot b^y =$

2. $\frac{b^x}{b^y} =$

3. If $b \neq 0, 1$ or -1 ,
then $b^x = b^y$ if and only if $x = y$

Same Exponents:

4. $(ab)^x =$

5. $\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^x =$

6. If $x \neq 0$, $a > 0$, $b > 0$,
then $a^x = b^x$ if and only if $a = b$.

Power of a Power:

7. $(b^x)^y =$

Definitions:

1. $b^0 =$

2. $b^{-x} =$

Examples:

1. Simplify: $\left(\frac{b^2}{a}\right)^{-2} \cdot \left(\frac{a^2}{b}\right)^{-3}$ $a \neq 0, b \neq 0$

2. Simplify: $\frac{x^5 \cdot x^{-2}}{x^{-3}}$

$$3. (2^{-1} \cdot 4^{-1})^{-1}$$

$$4. (2^{-1} + 4^{-1})^{-1}$$

$$5. \frac{3^5 \cdot 9^4}{27^4}$$

CW #37

Item	Annual rate of increase	cost now	cost in t years	cost in 10 years
Bike	5%	\$200		
Jeans			$75(1.08)^t$	

Item	Annual rate of decrease	value now	value in t years	value in 10 years
Car	20%	\$25,000		
Computer			$750(.65)^t$	

$$3. \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{-2} \quad 4. \underline{5 \cdot 3^{-2}} \quad 5. (5 \cdot 3)^{-2}$$

$$6. \underline{(5^{-2} \cdot 3^{-2})^{-1}} \quad 7. (5^{-2} + 3^{-2})^{-1}$$

$$8. \frac{12^3}{6^3} \quad 9. \frac{8^n \cdot 3^n}{4^n} \quad 10. \underline{x^{-3}}(x^5 + x^3)$$

$$11. \frac{3a^3 - 6a^6}{a^{-1}}$$

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Write each problem and show work.