

- Isolate
- Raise each side to the reciprocal power

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Algebra II

Constant Exponential Equations

Solve the following equations for x:

1. $(x^2)^2 = 7^2$

$$x = 49$$

2. $(x^3)^2 = 4^2$

$$x = 8$$

3. $(x^{-2})^2 = \left(\frac{25}{121}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$

$$x = \left(\frac{121}{25}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$x = \frac{11}{5}$$

4. $(a^4)^{-4} = 2^{-4}$

$$a = \frac{1}{16}$$

5. $3x^{\frac{2}{3}} - 1 = 289$
+1 +1

$$3x^{\frac{2}{3}} = 300$$

$$\left(x^{\frac{2}{3}}\right)^{\frac{3}{2}} = \left(100\right)^{\frac{3}{2}}$$

$$x = 100000$$

6. $x^{\frac{1}{5}} - 6 = -8$
+6 +6

$$\left(x^{\frac{1}{5}}\right)^5 = (-2)^5$$

$$x = -32$$

$$7. x^{\frac{4}{3}} - 11 = 5$$

$$x^{\frac{4}{3}} = 16$$

$$x = 8$$

$$9. y^{-3} = \left(\frac{125}{8}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$y = \left(\frac{8}{125}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$y = \frac{2}{5}$$

$$8. (2x)^3 + 4 = 31$$

$$(2x)^3 = 27$$

$$2x = 3$$

$$x = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$10. 4x^{\frac{2}{3}} - 5 = 95$$

$$4x^{\frac{2}{3}} = 100$$

$$x^{\frac{2}{3}} = 25$$

$$x = 125$$

11. Given the equal terms $\sqrt[3]{x^5}$ and $y^{\frac{5}{6}}$, determine and state y , in terms of x .

radicals are fractional exponents

~~$$\left(x^{\frac{5}{3}}\right)^{\frac{3}{5}} = \left(y^{\frac{5}{6}}\right)^{\frac{6}{5}}$$

$$x^{\frac{30}{15}} = y$$~~

$$x^2 = y$$