

Remove negative and zero exponents then simplify:

1) $8x^0 =$ _____

4) $a^{-1} + b^{-1} / (cd)^{-1} =$ _____

2) $3x^{-2}y^4 =$ _____

5) $a^{-1} + b^{-1} / (a + b)^{-1} =$ _____

3) $2x^3y^{-2} / 3x^{-2}y^3 =$ _____

Find the numerical value.

6) $25^{1/2} =$ _____

9) $(2^{10})^{-3/5} =$ _____

7) $(16/49)^{1/2} =$ _____

10) $3^{7/2} \cdot 3^{1/2} =$ _____

8) $(64/27)^{2/3} =$ _____

Simplify.

$$11) x^{1/4} \div x^{1/5} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$12) x^{1/4} \times x^{-1/5} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$13) \left(x^{-1/4}\right)^{-1/5} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$14) \left(2x^{1/6}y^{5/6}\right)^{-6} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$15) \left(\frac{125x^4y^3}{27x^{-2}y^6}\right) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

Answer Key

1) 8

2) $3y^4/x^2$

3) $2x^5/3y^5$

4) $cd(a+b)/ab$

5) $(a+b)^2/ab$

6) 5

7) $4/7$

8) $16/9$

9) $1/64$

10) 81

11) $\sqrt[20]{x}$

12) $\sqrt[20]{x}$

13) $\sqrt[20]{x}$

14) $1/64xy^5$

15) $5x^2/3y$