

ALGEBRA REVIEW

RECALL : EXPONENTIAL AND LOGARITHMIC LAWS/PROPERTIES

* For a and b positive, $a \neq 1$, $b \neq 1$, and n, m, x , and y real

$$\bullet a^n a^m = a^{n+m} \quad \bullet (a^n)^m = a^{nm} \quad \bullet a^n b^n = (ab)^n \quad \bullet a^0 = 1 \quad \bullet \frac{a^n}{a^m} = a^{n-m} \quad \bullet a^{-n} = \frac{1}{a^n} = \left(\frac{1}{a}\right)^n$$

$$\bullet a^x = a^y \text{ if and only if } x = y \quad \bullet a^x = b^x \text{ if and only if } a = b, x \neq 0$$

* For x and y are positive, $a > 0$, and $a \neq 1$, $c = \text{real}$

$$\bullet \log_a x = y \text{ if and only if } x = a^y \quad \bullet \log_a x = \log_a y \text{ if and only if } x = y$$

$$\bullet \log_a xy = \log_a x + \log_a y \quad \bullet \log_a \frac{x}{y} = \log_a x - \log_a y \quad \bullet \log_a x^c = c \log_a x \quad \bullet \log_y x = \frac{\log_a x}{\log_a y}, y \neq 1$$

$$\bullet \log_a a = 1 \quad \bullet \log_a 1 = 0 \quad \bullet \log_a a^x = x \quad \bullet \log_a 0 \text{ and } \log_a (\text{negative number}) \text{ are undefined}$$

$$\bullet a^{\log_a x} = x \quad \bullet a^{n \log_a x} = x^n, n \text{ is real}$$

NOTE: * $\log x$ is called the common log ($\log_{10} x$) * $\ln x$ is called the natural log ($\log_e x$)

$$\bullet \log 10 = 1 \quad \bullet \ln e = 1 \quad \bullet e^{\ln x} = x \quad \bullet \ln x = y \text{ if and only if } x = e^y \quad \bullet \log_y x = \frac{\ln x}{\ln y} = \frac{\log x}{\log y}, y \neq 1$$

NOTE: * Assume all the radicals are well defined in the real number system.

* In this work sheet, we deal with the real number system only.

1-Solve for x :

$$\text{A- } \frac{1}{2}x + 7 = 2x - 3$$

$$\text{B- } \frac{4}{3}(x + 8) = \frac{3}{4}(2x + 12)$$

2- Solve the following inequalities:

$$\text{A- } 5 - 5x < -3x + 1$$

$$\text{B- } 3(x - 1) \geq 2(1 - x)$$

$$\text{C- } (x^2 + 2)(4 - x)(x + 1) > 0$$

$$\text{D- } \frac{x - 10}{3(x + 2)(1 - 5x)} < 0$$

3-Classify each statement as true or false. If false, correct the right side of the equality to obtain a true statement.

$$\text{A- } 3^4 \cdot 3^2 = 3^8, \text{ B- } (2^3)^4 = 2^7, \text{ C- } 2^5 \cdot 2^2 = 4^7, \text{ D- } \frac{10^4}{5^4} = 2^4, \text{ E- } (2^0)^3 = 2^3, \text{ F- } 3^4 + 3^4 = 3^8$$

$$\text{G- } (a^2b)^3 = a^2b^3, \text{ H- } (a + b)^0 = a + 1; a \neq 0, \text{ I- } \sqrt{a} + \sqrt{a} = \sqrt{a^2}, \text{ J- } \frac{1}{2^{-3}} = -2^3, \text{ K- } (2 + \pi)^{-2} = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{\pi^2}$$

$$\text{L- } \frac{2^{-5}}{2^3} = 2^{-2}, \text{ M- } \frac{a}{2\sqrt{a}} = 2\sqrt{a}, \text{ N- } \frac{1}{-3x^{-2}} = 3x^2, \text{ O- } (a^{\frac{1}{2}} + b^{\frac{1}{2}})^2 = a + b$$

4- Evaluate the following:

$$\text{A- } -2^4, \text{ B- } \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3(-2)^3, \text{ C- } \frac{(-2)^{-3}}{(-2)^{-5}}, \text{ D- } \frac{2^{10}}{4^3}, \text{ E- } \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{-2} + \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{-1}, \text{ F- } [(-7)^2(-3)^2]^{-1}$$

5-Simplify and express each answer using positive exponents only.

$$\text{A- } (x^{-3})^2, \text{ B- } (-2x^3y^{-1})^{-1}(-3x^2y^3)^2, \text{ C- } \left(\frac{3a^2}{b^3}\right)^{-2}\left(\frac{-2a}{3b}\right)^3, \text{ D- } -7(2x^2 - 3x)^{-5}(2x - 3), \text{ E- } x^{-2} + y^{-2}$$

$$\mathbf{F} \cdot \frac{(49a^{-4})^{-\frac{1}{2}}}{(27b^6)^{-\frac{1}{3}}}, \quad \mathbf{G} \cdot \frac{1}{2}(x^2 + 4x)^{-\frac{1}{2}}(2x + 4)$$

6- Evaluate the following:

$$\mathbf{A} \cdot (-64)^{\frac{1}{3}}, \quad \mathbf{B} \cdot (-125)^{-\frac{2}{3}}, \quad \mathbf{C} \cdot \frac{9^{\frac{1}{2}}}{\sqrt[3]{27}}, \quad \mathbf{D} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{27}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}}, \quad \mathbf{E} \cdot \left(\frac{8}{27}\right)^{-\frac{2}{3}} + \left(-\frac{32}{243}\right)^{\frac{2}{5}}, \quad \mathbf{F} \cdot \left(-\frac{16}{81}\right)^{-\frac{3}{4}} + \left(\frac{36}{49}\right)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

7- Simplify the following:

$$\mathbf{A} \cdot \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{18}, \quad \mathbf{B} \cdot \sqrt{6} \cdot \sqrt{12}, \quad \mathbf{C} \cdot \frac{8}{\sqrt{2}} + 2\sqrt{50}, \quad \mathbf{D} \cdot \sqrt[3]{-54x} + \sqrt[3]{250x}$$

8- Simplify by performing the indicated operation.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A} \cdot 5y - [y - (3y + 8)], \quad \mathbf{B} \cdot 2x^2(2x + 1 - 10x^2), \quad \mathbf{C} \cdot -4x(x^4 - \frac{1}{4}x^3 + 4x^2 - \frac{1}{16}x + 1) \\ \mathbf{D} \cdot (3 - 2x)(3 + 2x), \quad \mathbf{E} \cdot (-2x - 3)(3x + 6), \quad \mathbf{F} \cdot (7 - 3x)(4x - 9), \quad \mathbf{G} \cdot (\sqrt{x} - 10)(\sqrt{x} + 10) \\ \mathbf{H} \cdot (\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{x})(\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{x}), \quad \mathbf{I} \cdot (2 - x)(x^2 + 2x - 3), \quad \mathbf{J} \cdot (2x - 3y)^2 \end{aligned}$$

9- Rationalize the denominator and simplify

$$\mathbf{A} \cdot \frac{12}{\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{3}}, \quad \mathbf{B} \cdot \frac{20}{3 - \sqrt{2}}, \quad \mathbf{C} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y}}, \quad \mathbf{D} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y}}{\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{y}}, \quad \mathbf{E} \cdot \frac{x}{\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{x+3}}, \quad \mathbf{F} \cdot \frac{9x - x^2}{\sqrt{x+3}}$$

10- Rationalize the numerator and simplify

$$\mathbf{A} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{5} + 3}{\sqrt{5}}, \quad \mathbf{B} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{5} + \sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad \mathbf{C} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{4+h} - 2}{h}, \quad \mathbf{D} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{x} - 2}{x - 4}$$

11- Factor completely, and simplify if possible.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A} \cdot 8a^2 - 2b^2, \quad \mathbf{B} \cdot 4 - \frac{x^2}{y^4}, \quad \mathbf{C} \cdot a^8 - b^8, \quad \mathbf{D} \cdot 4 - y^2 + 4x - xy^2, \quad \mathbf{E} \cdot 4x^2 - 9, \quad \mathbf{F} \cdot 24x^3 - 18x^2 \\ \mathbf{G} \cdot 3x^4 - 6x^3 + 12x, \quad \mathbf{H} \cdot (1+x)^2(-1) + (1-x)(2)(1+x), \quad \mathbf{I} \cdot (x^2 + 2)^2(3) + (3x-1)(x^2 + 2)(2x) \\ \mathbf{J} \cdot (2-x)^3(2)(2x+1)(2) + (2x+1)^2(3)(2-x)^2(-1) \end{aligned}$$

12- Factor each trinomial

$$\mathbf{A} \cdot 6x^2 - 7x - 3, \quad \mathbf{B} \cdot 6x^2 - 19x + 10, \quad \mathbf{C} \cdot 6x^2 + 13x - 5, \quad \mathbf{D} \cdot 15x^2 - 14x - 8, \quad \mathbf{E} \cdot 6x^2 - 5x - 21 \\ \mathbf{F} \cdot 9x^2 - 18x + 5, \quad \mathbf{G} \cdot 15x^2 + 19x - 56$$

13- Take each expression at the left and change it into the equivalent form at the right.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A} \cdot x^{\frac{1}{2}} + (x-4)\frac{1}{2}x^{-\frac{1}{2}}; \quad \frac{3x-4}{2\sqrt{x}} \\ \mathbf{B} \cdot x^{\frac{1}{3}} + (x-1)\frac{1}{3}x^{-\frac{2}{3}}; \quad \frac{4x-1}{3\sqrt[3]{x^2}} \\ \mathbf{C} \cdot (x+1)^{\frac{1}{2}}(2) + (2x+1)\frac{1}{2}(x+1)^{-\frac{1}{2}}; \quad \frac{6x+5}{2\sqrt{x+1}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{D- } \frac{1}{2}(1-x)^{-\frac{1}{2}}(-2x) + (1-x)^{\frac{1}{2}}; \frac{1-2x}{\sqrt{1-x}}$$

14- Perform the indicated operations and simplify.

$$\text{A- } \frac{x^2}{x^2+2x+1} + \frac{x-1}{3x+3} - \frac{1}{6}, \quad \text{B- } \frac{1+\frac{3}{x}}{x-\frac{9}{x}}, \quad \text{C- } \frac{\frac{1}{x+h} - \frac{1}{x}}{h}, \quad \text{D- } \frac{1-\frac{y^2}{x^2}}{1-\frac{y}{x}}, \quad \text{E- } \frac{\frac{1}{x+3} - \frac{1}{3}}{x}$$

$$\text{F- } \frac{\frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{x^2}}{x-2}, \quad \text{G- } \frac{x^{-2} - \frac{1}{4}}{\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{2}}, \quad \text{H- } \frac{\frac{1}{4+h} - \frac{1}{4}}{h}, \quad \text{I- } \frac{\frac{5}{x^2-4}}{\frac{10}{x-2}}, \quad \text{J- } \frac{3}{x^2+x} + \frac{2}{x^2-1}$$

$$\text{K- } \frac{(1+x^2)(-2x) - (1-x^2)(2x)}{(1+x^2)^2}, \quad \text{L- } \frac{(x^2-9)(2x) - x^2(2x)}{(x^2-9)^2}, \quad \text{M- } \frac{x^2(4-2x) - (4x-x^2)(2x)}{x^4}$$

$$\text{N- } \frac{(x+1)^2(2x) - (x^2-1)(2)(x+1)}{(x+1)^4}, \quad \text{O- } \frac{x}{(1-x)^2-1}, \quad \text{P- } \frac{(x-2)^2-4}{2x}, \quad \text{Q- } \frac{x-2}{(x-3)^2-1}$$

15- Classify each statement as true or false. If false, correct the right side of the equality to obtain a true statement.

$$\text{A- } \frac{5}{7} - \frac{2}{3} = \frac{3}{4}, \quad \text{B- } \frac{2x+y}{y-2x} = -2\left(\frac{x+y}{x-y}\right), \quad \text{C- } \frac{3ax-5b}{6} = \frac{ax-5b}{2}, \quad \text{D- } \frac{x+x^{-1}}{xy} = \frac{x+1}{x^2y}$$

$$\text{E- } x^{-1} + y^{-1} = \frac{y+x}{xy}, \quad \text{F- } \frac{2}{\frac{3}{4}} = \frac{8}{3}, \quad \text{G- } \frac{\frac{3}{2}}{5} = \frac{15}{2}, \quad \text{H- } \frac{\frac{3}{4}}{\frac{5}{8}} = \frac{15}{8}, \quad \text{I- } \left(\frac{3}{2+a}\right)^{-1} = \frac{2}{3} + \frac{a}{3},$$

$$\text{J- } 2\sqrt{x+1} = \sqrt{2x+2}, \quad \text{K- } \text{If } 4x+y=84 \text{ then } y = \frac{84}{4x}$$

16- Write each expression in the form $ax^p + bx^q + cx^r + \dots$ where $a, b, c, p, q,$ and r are real numbers.

EXAMPLE:

$$\text{I- } \frac{2x^5 - 3x^3 - x^2 + 5}{2x^4} = \frac{2x^5}{2x^4} - \frac{3x^3}{2x^4} - \frac{x^2}{2x^4} + \frac{5}{2x^4} = x - \frac{3}{2}x^{-1} - \frac{1}{2}x^{-2} + \frac{5}{2}x^{-4}$$

II- Another method:

$$\frac{2x^5 - 3x^3 - x^2 + 5}{2x^4} = (2x^5 - 3x^3 - x^2 + 5) \frac{1}{2}x^{-4} = \frac{2}{2}x^5x^{-4} - \frac{3}{2}x^3x^{-4} - \frac{1}{2}x^2x^{-4} + \frac{5}{2}x^{-4} = x - \frac{3}{2}x^{-1} - \frac{1}{2}x^{-2} + \frac{5}{2}x^{-4}$$

$$\text{A- } \frac{5x^6 - 2x^4}{3x^7}, \quad \text{B- } \frac{3x - 2x^4 + 5x^5}{x^3}, \quad \text{C- } \frac{3x^2 - 2\sqrt{x} - x + 3}{2\sqrt{x}}, \quad \text{D- } \frac{1 - \sqrt{x} + 2x^2 - 3x}{\sqrt[3]{x}}, \quad \text{E- } \frac{(x^2 + 2)^2}{x^5}$$

17- Solve for x:

$$\text{A- } (2x-1)^2 = 4, \quad \text{B- } 3x^2 - 21 = 0, \quad \text{C- } 6x^2 - 5x - 21 = 0, \quad \text{D- } x^2 = 2x, \quad \text{E- } 9x^2 - 6 = 15x$$

$$\text{F- } \sqrt{x+1} = 3, \quad \text{G- } \sqrt{x+2} = \sqrt{2x-5}, \quad \text{H- } \frac{4}{\sqrt{x-1}} = 2, \quad \text{I- } 2x^2 - 2x - 1 = 0, \quad \text{J- } x^2 - 2x - 2 = 0$$

18- Find the domain of $f(x)$

$$\text{A- } f(x) = \frac{x}{x^2+1}, \quad \text{B- } f(x) = \frac{2x}{x^2-4}, \quad \text{C- } f(x) = \sqrt{3-2x}, \quad \text{D- } f(x) = \frac{x}{\sqrt{2x+4}}, \quad \text{E- } f(x) = \sqrt[3]{3x-5}$$

E- $f(x) = \frac{3}{\sqrt[5]{2-6x}}$, **G-** $f(x) = 3x+7$, **H-** $f(x) = x^3 - 2x+1$

19- Solve the following for x:

A- $\frac{(x+2)^3(2)(x-1) - (x-1)^2(3)(x+2)^2(1)}{(x+2)^6} = 0$

B- $\frac{(x^2-2)^2(2)(1-2x)(-2) - (1-2x)^2(2)(x^2-2)(2x)}{(x^2-2)^4} = 0$

C- $(2-3x)^2(2)(2x-4)(2) + (2x-4)^2(2)(2-3x)(-3) = 0$

D- $(1-2x)(3)(x-4)^2(1) + (x-4)^3(-2) = 0$

E- $8 - \frac{2}{x^2} = 0$, **F-** $-\frac{1}{x^2} - \frac{2}{x^3} = 0$, **G-** $\frac{1}{2}x^{\frac{1}{2}} - 1 = 0$, **H-** $\frac{1}{2}x(1-x)^{\frac{1}{2}} + 3\sqrt{1-x} = 0$

20- If $f(x) = \frac{-x^2-2}{x-\sqrt{2}}$, find $f(-\sqrt{2})$

21- If $f(x) = \frac{3-x^2}{\sqrt{3}-x}$, find $f(-\sqrt{3})$

22- If $f(x) = \frac{\sqrt{x}-2}{2x-4}$, find $f(4)$

23- If $f(x) = \frac{1}{2}x^{\frac{1}{2}} - x^{-2}$, find $f(\frac{1}{4})$

24- If $f(x) = \frac{x}{2} - \frac{2}{x}$, find **A-** $f(\frac{1}{2})$, **B-** $f(-1)$, **C-** $f(-\frac{2}{3})$

25- If $f(x) = 1 - 2x - 3x^2$, find $f(-1)$

26- If $f(x) = 2 - 3x - x^2$, **a)** Find $f(-2)$, **b)** Find $f(-2+h)$, **c)** Evaluate $\frac{f(-2+h) - f(-2)}{h}$

27- If $f(x) = x - 2x^2$, **a)** Find $f(1)$, **b)** Find $f(1+h)$, **c)** Evaluate $\frac{f(1+h) - f(1)}{h}$

28- If $f(x) = 2 - \frac{1}{x}$, **a)** Find $f(3)$, **b)** Find $f(3+h)$, **c)** Evaluate $\frac{f(3+h) - f(3)}{h}$

29- If $f(x) = \frac{2}{x-1}$, **a)** Find $f(-1)$, **b)** Find $f(-1+h)$, **c)** Evaluate $\frac{f(-1+h) - f(-1)}{h}$

30- For the following functions:

A- $f(x) = 2 - x - x^2$, **B-** $f(x) = 2x - 3$, **C-** $f(x) = 2x^2 - x$, **D-** $f(x) = \frac{x+1}{3}$, **E-** $f(x) = -\frac{4}{x}$

I) Find $f(x+h)$, **II)** Evaluate $\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$

31- Classify each statement as true or false. If false, correct the right side of the equality to obtain a true statement.

A- $\log_2 2^{-1}$ is undefined **B-** $\log x \cdot \log y = \log xy$ **C-** $\log 3^2 = (\log 3)^2$ **D-** $\log_2 3 = 2^3$ **E-** $\log(-\frac{1}{2}) = \log 2$

F- $\log_{\frac{1}{2}} 1 = 0$, **G-** $\ln \frac{1}{e} = -1$, **H-** $e^{\ln \frac{1}{3}} = 3$, **I-** $e^{-\ln 3} = -3$, **J-** $e^{\ln(-2)} = -2$, **K-** $\log(x+y) = \log x + \log y$

L- $\frac{\log x}{\log y} = \log \frac{x}{y}$, **M-** $\log x - \log y = \log(x - y)$, **N-** $\log_3 3^{-2} = \frac{1}{9}$, **O-** $\log 0 = 1$, **P-** If $\log_a 2 = x$ then $x = 2^a$

Q- $(x)(\ln x) = \ln x^2$, **R-** $(5 - 2 \ln x)(x) = 5x - 2 \ln x^2$

32- Solve for x

A- $\frac{1}{e^{x-1}} = e^2$, **B-** $(0.01)^x = 1000$, **C-** $7^{x^2+x} = 49$, **D-** $(\frac{9}{25})^x = \frac{5}{3}$, **E-** $\log_x \frac{27}{8} = -3$, **F-** $e^{\ln(x^2-x)} = 6$

G- $\log_{16} x + \log_{16}(x-4) = \frac{5}{4}$, **H-** $\log(3-x) - \log(12-x) = -1$, **I-** $\ln x = \frac{1}{2} \ln 4 + \frac{2}{3} \ln 8$, **K-** $4^{2x} = 5$

L- $e^{1-x} = 2$, **M-** $2^{x-2} = 3$, **N-** $\ln \frac{1}{3} = 2x$, **O-** $\log_x(2x+15) = 2$

33- If $f(x) = e^{2x} - e^{-x}$, find $f(\ln 2)$

34- If $f(x) = 2^x$, find **A-** $f(-1)$, **B-** $f(\frac{1}{2})$, **C-** $f(-\frac{1}{2})$, **D-** $f(-\frac{2}{3})$

35- If $f(x) = 4x - x \ln x$, find $f(e^3)$

36- If $f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 1}{e^x}$, find **A-** $f(-1)$, **B-** $f(2)$

37- If $f(x) = \frac{1 - 2 \ln x}{x}$, find **A-** $f(e)$, **B-** $f(e^{\frac{2}{3}})$, **C-** $f(-e)$

38- Solve for x

A- $4 - (x \cdot \frac{1}{x} + \ln x) = 0$, **B-** $3 - [2x \cdot \frac{1}{x} + (\ln x)(2)] = 0$, **C-** $\frac{e^x \cdot 2x - x^2 \cdot e^x}{e^{2x}} = 0$, **D-** $\frac{x \cdot e^{-x}(-1) - e^{-x}(2x)}{x^4} = 0$

G- $\frac{x \cdot \frac{2}{x} - (1 + \ln x)}{x^2} = 0$, **F-** $\frac{x^2(-\frac{2}{x}) - (1 - 2 \ln x)(2x)}{x^4} = 0$, **G-** $\frac{(x^2 - 8)e^x - e^x(2x)}{(x^2 - 8)^2} = 0$

H- $(1-x)e^{2x}(2) + e^{2x}(-1) = 0$, **I-** $x^2 \cdot \frac{1}{x} + (\ln x)(2x) = 0$, **J-** $(3-x^2)e^{-x}(-1) + e^{-x}(-2x) = 0$

K- $\frac{(\ln x)(2x) - x^2 \cdot \frac{1}{x}}{(\ln x)^2} = 0$, **L-** $x^2 \cdot \frac{2}{x} - (2 \ln x - 1)(2x) = 0$, **M-** $(x-2)e^{-2x}(-2) + e^{-2x} = 0$

39- Evaluate the following . (Do not use decimals)

A- $f(2) - f(-3)$, given $f(x) = 6x - \frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{x^2}{2}$

B- $f(1) - f(-2)$, given $f(x) = 4x - x^2 - \frac{2}{3}x^3$

C- $f(2) - f(-1)$, given $f(x) = \frac{1}{3}x^3 + \frac{1}{4}x^2 + 2x$

D- $f(0) - f(-2)$, given $f(x) = \frac{1}{3}x^3 - \frac{3}{2}x^2$

E- $f(3) - f(-1)$, given $f(x) = 3x + x^2 - \frac{x^3}{3}$