

Intro to college math: Chapter 1.2
Order of Operations

* Exponent — the exponent tells us how many times to multiply the base by itself.

$$\begin{array}{c} 2^4 \leftarrow \text{exponent} \\ \uparrow \text{Base} \end{array} = 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 = 16 \qquad 5^2 = 5 \cdot 5 = 25$$

* Exponent 1 — any number with the exponent 1 is equal to the number itself.

$$2^1 = 2 \qquad 5^1 = 5 \qquad 15^1 = 15$$

* Exponent 0 — any number with the exponent 0 is equal to 0.

$$2^0 = 1 \qquad 7^0 = 1 \qquad 100^0 = 1$$

1. Name the base and the exponent for: 9^5

a. Base:

9

b. Exponent:

5

$$\begin{array}{c} 9^5 \leftarrow \text{exponent} \\ \uparrow \text{Base} \end{array}$$

2. Name the base and the exponent for: 6^1

a. Base:

6

b. Exponent:

1

$$\begin{array}{c} 6^1 \leftarrow \text{exponent} \\ \uparrow \text{base} \end{array}$$

3. Use the definition of exponents as indicated repeated multiplication to simplify: 2^7

$$2^7 = 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 = 128$$

↑
write this number down, this many times

To type into calculator :

- ① Type base number into calculator
- ② Press \square^{\square} button, (on left side)
- ③ Type in exponent number
- ④ Press enter

4. Use the definition of exponents as indicated repeated multiplication to simplify: 10^2

$$10^2 = 10 \cdot 10 = 100$$

↑
write this number down, this many times

To type into calculator :

- ① Type base number into calculator
- ② Press \square^{\square} button, (on left side)
- ③ Type in exponent number
- ④ Press enter

5. Use the definition of exponents to expand each of the following expressions. Then multiply according to the rule for multiplication.

$$a.) -8^2 = -8 \cdot 8 = \boxed{-64}$$

↑
write down - sign, then write down this number, this many times.

To type into calculator :

- ① Press $\boxed{(-)}$ button, (on bottom)
- ② Type base number into calculator
- ③ Press $\boxed{\wedge}$ button, (on left side)
- ④ Type in exponent number
- ⑤ Press enter

$$b.) (-8)^2 = (-8) \cdot (-8) = \boxed{64}$$

↑
write down everything inside (), including (), this many times.

To type into calculator :

- ① Press $\boxed{[]}$ button
- ② Press $\boxed{(-)}$ button, (on bottom)
- ③ Type base number into calculator
- ④ Press $\boxed{]}$ button
- ⑤ Press $\boxed{\wedge}$ button, (on left side)
- ⑥ Type in exponent number
- ⑦ Press enter

6. Use the definition of exponents to expand each of the following expressions. Then multiply according to the rule for multiplication.

$$a.) (-5)^3 = (-5) \cdot (-5) \cdot (-5) = -125$$

↑
write down everything inside (), including (), this many times.

To type into calculator :

- ① Press $[]$ button
- ② Press $[-]$ button, (on bottom)
- ③ Type base number into calculator
- ④ Press $[]$ button
- ⑤ Press $[\wedge]$ button, (on left side)
- ⑥ Type in exponent number
- ⑦ Press enter

$$b.) -5^3 = -5 \cdot 5 \cdot 5 = -125$$

↑
write down - sign, then write down this number, this many times.

To type into calculator :

- ① Press $[-]$ button, (on bottom)
- ② Type base number into calculator
- ③ Press $[\wedge]$ button, (on left side)
- ④ Type in exponent number
- ⑤ Press enter