

## INDICES - EXPONENTS

1. Multiply:-  $3xy^2z$ ,  $4x^2yz^5$  and  $5x^3y^6z^7$
2. Divide: -  $175x^{17}y^{26}z^{10}$  by  $35x^9y^{17}z^9$ .
3. What is meaning must be given to  $16^{1/2}$ ?
4. What is meaning must be given to  $27^{1/3}$ ?
5. What is meaning must be given to  $a^{3/4}$ ?
6. Find the values of (i)  $36^{1/2}$ , (ii)  $16^{3/4}$  and (iii)  $\left(\frac{27}{64}\right)^{-2/3}$
7. Simplify:
  - i.  $X^{2a+b-c} \cdot X^{2c+a-b} \cdot X^{2b+c-a}$
  - ii.  $\frac{4mn(7m^2n^3)}{14m^3n^3}$
  - iii.  $\left(\frac{a^2b^2}{x^2y^3}\right)^m$
  - iv.  $\left(\frac{123}{8}\right)^{-2/3}$
8. Simplify:
  - i.  $(32)^{4/5} + \left(\frac{1}{81}\right)^{-3/4} - \left(\frac{1}{125}\right)^{-2/3} - 6^0 \times 16^{3/2}$ .
  - ii.  $\left[\sqrt[4]{x^{-3/4}}\right]^{-4/3}$
9. Simplify:
  - i.  $\frac{7^{n+2} - 3 \cdot 7^{n+1}}{20 \cdot 7^n - 2 \cdot 7^{n+1}}$
  - ii.  $\frac{(125)^{2n/3} \times (27)^{-n/6}}{(75)^{-n/2}}$
10. Prove that :
  - i.  $\left(\frac{x^{a+b}}{x^c}\right)^{a-b} \cdot \left(\frac{x^{c+a}}{x^b}\right)^{c-a} \cdot \left(\frac{x^{b+c}}{x^a}\right)^{b-c} = 1$ .
  - ii.  $\frac{1}{1+x^{a-b}} + \frac{1}{1+x^{b-a}} = 1$
  - iii.  $\left(\frac{x^a}{x^b}\right)^{a^2-ab+b^2} \cdot \left(\frac{x^b}{x^c}\right)^{b^2+bc+c^2} \cdot \left(\frac{x^c}{x^a}\right)^{c^2+ca-a^2} = 1$ .
11. Given  $4725 = 3^x \cdot 5^y \cdot 7^z$ , find
  - (i) The numerical value of x, y and z
  - (ii) The value of  $2^{-x} \cdot 3^y \cdot 7^z$  as a fraction.
    - (a) If  $x^a = y$ ,  $y^b = z$ ,  $z^c = x$ ; prove that  $abc = 1$
    - (b) If  $2^x = 7^{-y} = 14^z$ , prove that  $\frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{z}$ .