

# Warmup 1 / $\left(\frac{15^{47}}{15^{46}}\right)$

- 1) Make up four different exponent problems that would simplify to  $x^{30}$ .
- 2) Copy the date problem and show work to verify that it is correct.
- 3) If I take  $2^{30}$  and **double** it, what do I get? Write your answer as a power.

# FYI:

- If you are still missing your Midterm Corrections/Extension assignment by tomorrow, you will be working on it during lunch tomorrow.

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# Let's review...

- Why is  $2^7 \cdot 2^3$  NOT equal to  $2^{21}$  even though this is a multiplication problem?
- Why is  $\frac{2^{12}}{2^4}$  NOT equal to  $2^3$  even though this is a division problem?
- \*\*\*If you understand WHY a rule works, you are WAY more likely to remember it better!\*\*\*

# Examples: Dividing

1.  $\frac{a^{45}}{a^{22}}$

$$a^{23}$$

2.  $\frac{6^5}{6^3}$

$$6^2$$

$$x^2 \bullet y^3$$

3.  $\frac{x^3 y^5}{x y^2}$

$$\frac{12 \cdot j \cdot j \cdot j \cdot j \cdot j}{3 \cdot j \cdot j}$$

4.  $\frac{12j^5}{3j^2}$

$$= 4j^3$$

**\*\*\*WHEN YOU HAVE COEFFICIENTS,  
MULTIPLY OR DIVIDE THEM JUST LIKE  
NORMAL NUMBERS!!!\*\*\***

# Careful...

$$\bullet \frac{7x^5}{7x^3}$$

Here the 7's are coefficients. There is 1 of each. The 7's would "divide away."

$$\bullet \frac{7^5}{7^3}$$

**THESE 7'S DO NOT  
CANCEL OUT!!!**

Here the 7's are the actual base. There are five 7's in the numerator and three 7's in the denominator. There would be two 7's remaining in the denominator.

# A little harder...

TIP:

Go step by step. Do the coefficients, then one variable, then the other.

1.  $4a^2b^3 \cdot 7a \cdot 2b^5$

$$= 4 \cdot a \cdot a \cdot b \cdot b \cdot b \cdot 7 \cdot a \cdot 2 \cdot b \cdot b \cdot b \cdot b \cdot b$$

$$= 56a^3b^8$$

2.  $\frac{6c^5 \cdot 3d^7}{9cd^4}$

$$= \frac{6 \cdot c \cdot c \cdot c \cdot c \cdot c \cdot 3 \cdot d \cdot d \cdot d \cdot d \cdot d \cdot d}{9 \cdot c \cdot d \cdot d \cdot d \cdot d}$$

$$= \frac{18 \cdot c^4 \cdot d^3}{9}$$

$$= 2c^4d^3$$

# Helpful Hint

**WHEN IN DOUBT,  
EXPAND IT OUT!!!**

# Super-Crazy Example

Simplify:

$$\frac{-2a^6 \cdot 6b^3 \cdot a \cdot 4b^5}{18b^4 \cdot a^5 \cdot 3b^2}$$

# DUE TOMORROW:

- **Textbook p. 27 (1-6, 8, 14-18)**

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## Power to a Power

Objective:

Simplify expressions like  $(x^5)^3$

# CHALLENGE

- We are going to learn a new exponent rule today.
- Once again, I am not going to tell you the rule right away. I want to see if you can figure it out.
- I am going to display a bunch of problems on the board. Try to figure out how to do these problems. Then use them to figure out the rule for taking a power to a power.

Can you figure out how these would work?

$$(x^3)^4$$

$$(a^5)^2$$

$$(3y^4)^2$$

$$\left(\frac{b^2}{c^3}\right)^4$$

After you solve these, come up with some **rules** that you discover about how to take a power to a power.

# 2 ways to show $(a^5)^2$

Way 1

$$\begin{aligned}(a^5)^2 \\&= (a^5)(a^5) \\&= a^{10}\end{aligned}$$

Way 2

$$\begin{aligned}(a^5)^2 \\&= (a \cdot a \cdot a \cdot a \cdot a)^2 \\&= (a \cdot a \cdot a \cdot a \cdot a)(a \cdot a \cdot a \cdot a \cdot a) \\&= a^{10}\end{aligned}$$

## Taking a Power to a Power (Problems like $(a^5)^2$ )

- Keep the base, multiply the exponents