

Brackets with Indices - Worksheet

Skill

Group A - Single number base

Write as a number to a single power:

1) (5 ²) ³	2) (5 ²) ⁴	3) (5 ²) ⁵
4) (3 ⁴) ²	5) (3 ⁵) ²	6) (3 ⁶) ²
7) (2 ⁵) ³	8) (2 ⁶) ³	9) (2 ⁷) ³
10) (7 ³) ⁴	11) (7 ³) ⁵	12) $(7^3)^6$

Group B - Algebraic base with coefficient of 1

Write as a single power:

1) $(a^3)^2$	2) $(a^4)^2$	3) $(a^5)^2$
4) $(e^4)^3$	5) $(e^5)^3$	6) $(e^{6})^{3}$
7) $(x^2)^3$	8) $(x^2)^4$	9) $(x^2)^5$
10) $(y^3)^5$	11) $(y^3)^6$	12) $(y^3)^7$

Group C - Algebraic base with coefficient greater than 1 Simplify:

1) $(2x^3)^2$	2) $(3x^3)^2$	3) $(4x^3)^2$
4) $(3y^4)^2$	5) $(4y^4)^2$	6) $(5y^4)^2$
7) $(2a^5)^2$	8) $(2a^5)^3$	9) $(2a^5)^4$
10) $(2p^4)^3$	11) $(2p^5)^3$	12) $(2p^6)^3$



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Group D - Further questions

Simplify:

1) $(x^3)^0$	2) $(x^0)^5$	3) $(x^0)^2$
4) $(y^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$	5) $(y^4)^{\frac{1}{2}}$	6) $(y^{\frac{1}{2}})^{8}$
7) $(xy^3)^2$	8) $(xy^2)^5$	9) $(xy^4)^3$
10) $(m^2 n^4)^3$	11) $(m^2 n^3)^2$	12) $(m^3 n^2)^4$



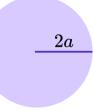
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Applied

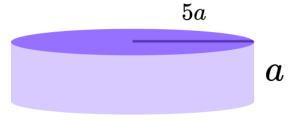
- 1) (a) A square has area $(3x)^2$. What is the length of one of its sides?
 - (b) Simplify its area and write it in the form ax^{b} where a and b are integers.
- 2) (a) A cube has volume $(4y)^3$. What is the length of one of its sides?



- (b) Simplify its area and write it in the form ax^{b} where a and b are integers.
- 3) (a) A circle has radius 2a. What is its area in terms of π ?



- (b) A different circle has area $64\pi x^2$. What is its radius in terms of π ?
- 4) (a) Here is a cylinder with radius 5a and height a. What is its volume? Leave your answer in terms of π .



(b) What is its total surface area? Leave your answer in terms of π .



Brackets with Indices - Exam Questions

1)	Simplify: $(5a^3b^4)^2$	
		(2 marks)
2)	Simplify: $(3g^2h)^4$	
		(2 marks)
3)	Simplify: $(2xy^5)^3$	
		(2 marks)
4)	$\left(2x^a y\right)^2 = 4x^6 y^2$	

Write down the value of a.

(2 marks)



Brackets with Indices - Answers

	Question	Answer
	Skill Questions	
Group A	Write as a number to a single power.	
	1) $(5^2)^3$	1) 5 ⁶
	2) (5 ²) ⁴	2) 5 ⁸
	3) (5 ²) ⁵	3) 5 ¹⁰
	4) $(3^4)^2$	4) 3 ⁸
	5) (3 ⁵) ²	5) 3 ¹⁰
	6) (3 ⁶) ²	6) 3 ¹²
	7) (2 ⁵) ³	7) 2 ¹⁵
	8) (2 ⁶) ³	8) 2 ¹⁸
	9) (2 ⁷) ³	9) 2 ²¹
	10) $(7^3)^4$	10) 7 ¹²
	11) $(7^3)^5$	11) 7 ¹⁵
	12) $(7^3)^6$	12) 7 ¹⁸
Group B	Write as a single power.	
	1) $(a^3)^2$	1) <i>a</i> ⁶
	2) $(a^4)^2$	2) <i>a</i> ⁸
	3) $(a^5)^2$	3) <i>a</i> ¹⁰
	4) $(e^4)^3$	4) e^{12}
	5) $(e^5)^3$	5) e^{15}
	6) $(e^{6})^{3}$	6) e^{18}
	7) $(x^2)^3$	7) x ⁶
	8) $(x^2)^4$	8) x ⁸
	9) $(x^2)^5$	9) x ¹⁰
	10) $(y^3)^5$	10) y^{15}
	11) $(y^3)^6$	11) y^{18}
	12) $(y^3)^7$	12) y^{21}



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Group C	Simplify.	
	1) $(2x^3)^2$	1) $4x^6$
	2) $(3x^3)^2$	2) 9 <i>x</i> ⁶
	3) $(4x^3)^2$	3) 16x ⁶
	4) $(3y^4)^2$	4) 9y ⁸
	5) $(4y^4)^2$	5) 16y ⁸
	6) $(5y^4)^2$	6) 25y ⁸
	7) $(2a^5)^2$	7) 4 <i>a</i> ¹⁰
	8) $(2a^5)^3$	8) 8 <i>a</i> ¹⁵
	9) $(2a^5)^4$	9) 16a ²⁰
	10) $(2p^4)^3$	10) 8p ¹²
	11) $(2p^5)^3$	11) 8p ¹⁵
	12) $(2p^6)^3$	12) 8p ¹⁸
Group D	Simplify.	
	1) $(x^3)^0$	1) 1
	2) $(x^0)^5$	2) 1
	3) $(x^0)^2$	3) 1
	$(1) (x^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$	4) <i>y</i>
	4) $(y^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ 5) $(y^4)^{\frac{1}{2}}$	5) y^2
	5) $(y^4)^2$	6) y ⁴
	6) $(y^{\frac{1}{2}})^{8}$	7) $x^2 y^6$
	7) $(xy^3)^2$	8) $x^5 y^{10}$
	8) $(xy^2)^5$	9) $x^{3}y^{12}$
	9) $(xy^4)^3$	10) $m^6 n^{12}$
	10) $(m^2 n^4)^3$	11) $m^4 n^6$
	11) $(m^2 n^3)^2$	12) $m^{12}n^8$
	12) $(m^3 n^2)^4$	



Brackets with Indices - Answers

	Qu	estion	Answer
	Applied Questions		
1)	(a)	A square has area $(3x)^2$. What is the length of one of its sides?	(a) 3 <i>x</i>
	(b)	Simplify its area and write it in the form ax^{b} where a and b are integers.	(b) $9x^2$
2)	(a)	A cube has volume $(4y)^3$. What is the length of one of its sides?	(a) 4y
	(b)	Simplify its area and write it in the form ax^{b} where a and b are integers.	(b) $64y^3$
3)	(a)	A circle has radius 2 <i>a</i> . What is its area in terms of π ?	(a) Area = $4\pi a^2$
	(b)	A different circle has area $64\pi x^2$. What is its radius in terms of π ?	(b) Radius = $8x$
4)	(a)	Here is a cylinder with radius $5a$ and height a . What is its volume? Leave your answer in terms of π . 5a	(a) Volume = $25\pi a^3$
	(b)	What is its total surface area? Leave your answer in terms of π .	(b) Total surface area = $60\pi a^2$



Brackets with Indices - Mark Scheme

	Question	Answer	
	Exam Questions		
1)	Simplify: $(5a^3b^4)^2$	$25 \times a^{6} \times b^{8} (1 \text{ for } 2 \text{ correct terms})$ $= 25a^{6}b^{8} (1)$	(2)
2)	Simplify: $(3g^2h)^4$	$81 \times g^8 \times h^4 (1 \text{ for 2 correct terms})$ = $81g^8h^4 (1)$	(2)
3)	Simplify: $(2xy^5)^3$	$8 \times x^{3} \times y^{15} (1 \text{ for } 2 \text{ correct terms})$ $= 8x^{3}y^{15} (1)$	(2)
4)	$(2x^{a}y)^{2} = 4x^{6}y^{2}$ Write down the value of a.	a = 3(1)	(1)

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