

C_20 Key and Unit 3 Revised Practice Test

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PreCalc 12 – Unit 3 Practice Test

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5. Simplify fully: $\log\left(\frac{x^2}{10y^3}\right)$

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- A. $\log 1$ B. $\log 2$ C. $\log \frac{3}{4}$ D. $\log \frac{9}{4}$ E. $\frac{3}{2} \log 32$

17. Simplify: $\log_a(bc) - \log_a\left(\frac{c}{b}\right)$

- A. $(\log_a b)^2$ B. $2 \log_a(b)$ C. $\log_a(2b)$ D. $a \log b^2$ E. 0

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- A. $5 \log 3 - 2 \log 7$ B. $\frac{3^5}{49}$ C. $\frac{5 \log 3}{2 \log 7}$
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- a) Graph the function. Clearly show at least 4 points on the curve and state the equation of the asymptote.
 b) Calculate the x -intercept of this function.

Answers:

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|-------|-------------------|
| 1. C | 15. D |
| 2. B | 16. B |
| 3. D | 17. B |
| 4. A | 18. A |
| 5. A | 19. C |
| 6. C | 20. C |
| 7. D | 21. B |
| 8. A | 22. C |
| 9. C | 23. D |
| 10. A | 24. A |
| 11. C | |
| 12. A | 1. $x = -2$ |
| 13. E | 2. 167.62 minutes |
| 14. B | 3b) $x = 7$ |



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$$\log 7 = \log 2^{x+1}$$

$$\frac{\log 7}{\log 2} = \frac{(x+1) \log 2}{\log 2}$$

$$x+1 = \frac{\log 7}{\log 2}$$

$$x = \frac{\log 7}{\log 2} - 1$$

$$x \approx 1.81$$

2. The population in a community is increasing at an ^{every year} annual rate of 6.5%. Assume this trend will continue. In how many years will the present population of 12 000 grow to 32 000?

- A. 15.5 **B. 15.6** C. 15.8 D. 16.1

$$\frac{32000}{12000} = 12000 \cancel{12000} (1.065)^t$$

$$\frac{32}{12} = 1.065^t$$

$$\log\left(\frac{32}{12}\right) = t \log 1.065$$

$$\log\left(\frac{32}{12}\right) = t \log 1.065 \quad t = \frac{\log\left(\frac{32}{12}\right)}{\log 1.065}$$

$$t = 15.574 \dots \approx 15.6$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{rate} &= 1 + 0.065 \\ &= 1.065 \end{aligned}$$

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$$I = I_0 (10)^{7.5-6.0}$$

$$I = I_0 (10)^{1.5}$$

$$I \approx I_0 (31.62277 \dots)$$

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- A. $x = -\frac{4}{3}$** B. $x = -1$ C. $x = -\frac{2}{3}$ D. $x = -\frac{3}{4}$

$$2^{3x-1} = (2^3)^{2x+1}$$

$$2^{3x-1} = 2^{6x+3}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x-1 = 6x+3$$

$$-3x = 4$$

$$x = -\frac{4}{3}$$

1

$$2^{\dots} = 2$$

$$x = \frac{4}{-3}$$

5. Simplify fully: $\log\left(\frac{x^2}{10y^3}\right)$

A. $2\log x - 1 - 3\log y$

B. $2\log x - 1 + 3\log y$

C. $2\log x - 10 - 3\log y$

D. $2\log x - 10 + 3\log y$

$$\begin{aligned}\log\left(\frac{x^2}{10y^3}\right) &= \log x^2 - \log 10y^3 \\ &= 2\log x - [\log 10 + \log y^3] \\ &= 2\log x - \log 10 - 3\log y \\ &= 2\log x - 1 - 3\log y\end{aligned}$$

6. Evaluate: $\log_3 \sqrt{27}$.

A. $\frac{2}{9}$

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$$\begin{aligned}\log_3 \sqrt{27} &= \log_3 \sqrt{3^3} \\ &= \log_3 (3^{3/2}) \\ &= \frac{3}{2}\end{aligned}$$

7. Determine the x -intercept for the graph of $y = 5^x - 3$.

A. -2

B. 0.008

C. 0.6

D. 0.68

For x -intercept, let $y = 0$

$$0 = 5^x - 3$$

$$3 = 5^x$$

$$\log 3 = \log 5^x$$

$$\frac{\log 3}{\log 5} = \frac{x \log 5}{\log 5}$$

$$x = \frac{\log 3}{\log 5}$$

$$x \approx 0.68$$

8. Express as a single logarithm: $\log a - \log b - 3\log c$

A. $\log \frac{a}{bc^3}$

B. $\log \frac{a}{b^3c^3}$

C. $\log \frac{ac^3}{b}$

D. $\log \frac{ac^3}{b^3}$

$$\log\left(\frac{a}{b}\right) - \log c^3$$

$$= \log\left(\frac{\frac{a}{b}}{c^3}\right)$$

$$= \log\left(\frac{a}{b \cdot c^3}\right) = \log\left(\frac{a}{bc^3}\right)$$

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9. An investment earns 2.25% per year compounded daily. How many years would be required for an investment to triple in value? (Assume all years have 365 days.)

- A. 4.88 years B. 5.41 years **C. 48.83 years** D. 49.37 years

$= 0.0225$
 $\text{rate} = 1 + \frac{0.0225}{365}$
 $= 1.000061644$

If original amount is \$1, how long until we have \$3?

$3 = 1 (1.000061644)^n$ # of compounding periods = days
 $\log 3 = \log (1.000061644)^n$
 $\log 3 = n \log (1.000061644)$
 $n = \frac{\log 3}{\log 1.000061644}$
 $n = 17822.43446 \text{ days}$
 dividing by 365, $n = 48.83 \text{ years}$

10. What is the value of $\log_3 30$?

- A. 3.1** B. 3.4 C. 3.6 D. 3.9

$\log_3 30 = \frac{\log 30}{\log 3}$
 ≈ 3.095

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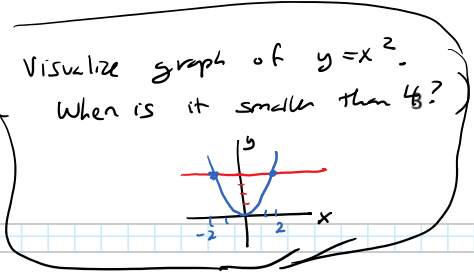
$I = I_0 (10)^{R-r}$
 $5I_0 = I_0 (10)^{R-4}$

$\log 5 = \log 10^{R-4}$
 $\log 5 = (R-4) \log 10$ $\log 10 = 1$
 $\log 5 = R - 4$
 $R = \log(5) + 4$

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argument > 0
 $4 - x^2 > 0$
 $4 > x^2$
 or $x^2 < 4$
 $\Rightarrow -2 < x < 2$



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$$\log_x 18 = 2$$

$$x^2 = 18$$

$$x = \sqrt{18}$$

$$x = \sqrt{3 \cdot 3 \cdot 2} \implies x = 3\sqrt{2}$$

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change form: $10^x = 3y$
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$$3 \log 2 - \frac{1}{2} \log 16$$

$$= \log 2^3 - \log 16^{1/2}$$

$$= \log 8 - \log \sqrt{16}$$

$$= \log 8 - \log 4$$

$$= \log \left(\frac{8}{4} \right)$$

$$= \log 2$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \log_a\left(\frac{bc}{\frac{c}{b}}\right) &= \log_a\left(\frac{bc}{1} \cdot \frac{b}{c}\right) \\ &= \log_a\left(\frac{b^2 \cancel{c}}{\cancel{c}}\right) \\ &= \sqrt{\log_a b^2} \\ &= 2\log_a b \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\log x^2 + \log x^5}{\log x^5 - \log x^3} &= \frac{\log(x^2 \cdot x^5)}{\log\left(\frac{x^5}{x^3}\right)} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{\log(x^7)}}{\sqrt{\log(x^2)}} \\ &= \frac{7\log x}{2\log x} = \frac{7}{2} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} x &= \frac{ab}{\sqrt[4]{c}} \\ \log x &= \log\left(\frac{ab}{\sqrt[4]{c}}\right) \\ &= \log ab - \log \sqrt[4]{c} \end{aligned} \quad \begin{aligned} &= \log a + \log b - \log c^{\frac{1}{4}} \\ &= \log a + \log b - \frac{1}{4}\log c \end{aligned}$$

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B. $\frac{3^5}{49}$

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D. $3^5 - 49$

E. $3 \log 5 - 7 \log 2$

$$\begin{aligned} 7^{2t} &= 3^5 \\ \log 7^{2t} &= \log 3^5 \\ \frac{2t \log 7}{2 \log 7} &= \frac{5 \log 3}{2 \log 7} \\ t &= \frac{5 \log 3}{2 \log 7} \end{aligned}$$

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(# of compounding periods in 5 years)
 \downarrow
 20

$$1000 = P \left(1 + \frac{0.12}{4} \right)^{20}$$

$$\frac{1000}{(1 + 0.03)^{20}} = P$$

$$P = \frac{1000}{(1.03)^{20}}$$

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$$A = 50 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{t/14}$$

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$$200 = A(3)^{t/5}$$

$$\frac{200}{(3)^{t/5}} = A$$

Written Questions

1. Solve algebraically: $\log_{15}(3-x) + \log_{15}(1-x) = 1$

$$\log_{15} [(3-x)(1-x)] = 1$$

$$\log_{15} (3 - 3x - x + x^2) = 1$$

$$\log_{15} (3 - 4x + x^2) = 1$$

$$15^1 = x^2 - 4x + 3$$

$$0 = x^2 - 4x + 3 - 15$$

$$0 = x^2 - 4x - 12$$

$$0 = (x + 2)(x - 6)$$

$$x + 2 = 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad x = -2$$

$$x - 6 = 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad x = 6$$

reject, because it makes the arguments negative

2. A food sample contains 300 bacteria. The doubling time for bacteria left at room temperature is 20 minutes. How many minutes will it take to reach an unsafe level of 100 000 bacteria? Solve algebraically using logarithms. Give answer as a decimal accurate to 2 decimal places.

base = 2

$$\frac{100\ 000}{300} = \frac{300}{300} (2)^{t/20}$$

$$\log\left(\frac{1000}{3}\right) = \log 2^{t/20}$$

$$20 \times \left[\log\left(\frac{1000}{3}\right)\right] = \left[\frac{t}{20} \log 2\right] \times 20$$

$$\frac{20 \log\left(\frac{1000}{3}\right)}{\log 2} = \frac{t \log 2}{\log 2}$$

$$\frac{20 \log\left(\frac{1000}{3}\right)}{\log 2} = t$$

$t = 167.62$
minutes

3. Given the function $y = \log_3(x+2) - 2$.

- a) Graph the function. Clearly show at least 4 points on the curve and state the equation of the asymptote.
- b) Calculate the x-intercept of this function.

a) $y = \log_3(x+2) - 2$ is a transformation of $y = \log_3 x$, and this is the inverse of $y = 3^x$
 2 left
 2 down

$$(x, y) \rightarrow (x-2, y-2)$$

$$y = 3^x$$

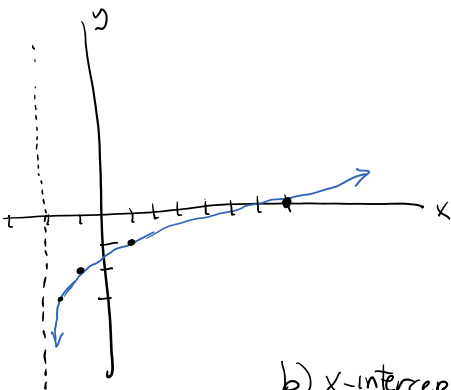
x	y
-2	$3^{-2} = \frac{1}{9}$
-1	$3^{-1} = \frac{1}{3}$
0	$3^0 = 1$
1	$3^1 = 3$
2	$3^2 = 9$

$$y = \log_3 x$$

$\frac{1}{y}$	x
$\frac{1}{2}$	-2
$\frac{1}{3}$	-1
1	0
3	1
9	2

$$y = \log_3(x+2) - 2$$

x-2	y-2
$\frac{1}{9} - 2 = -\frac{17}{9}$	-2-2 = -4
$\frac{1}{3} - 2 = -\frac{5}{3}$	-1-2 = -3
0-2 = -2	0-2 = -2
1-2 = -1	1-2 = -1
3-2 = 1	3-2 = 1
9-2 = 7	9-2 = 7



Vertical asymptote at $x = -2$

b) x-intercept is (7,0), which is on our table. We can find it using the equation, too:

$$y = \log_3(x+2) - 2$$

Let $y = 0$

$$0 = \log_3(x+2) - 2$$

$$2 = \log_3(x+2)$$

change form: $3^2 = x+2$

$$9 = x+2$$

$$7 = x$$

(7, 0)