

PreCalc 11 Chapter 1 Assignment – hand in for completion marks

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Complete the following questions showing all work and steps where applicable.

1. Estimate the value of the following and verify, using calculator. Show your method for estimating.

a)  $\sqrt{34}$  Look at nearby perfect squares



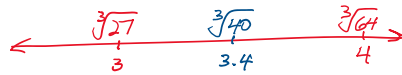
check:  $(5.8)^2 = 33.64$

$\sqrt{34} = 5.83095\dots$

$\sqrt{34} \approx 5.8$

approximately equal

b)  $\sqrt[3]{40}$  Look at nearby perfect cubes



check:  $(3.4)^3 = 39.304$

$\sqrt[3]{40} = 3.41995\dots$

$\sqrt[3]{40} \approx 3.4$

2. Evaluate each of the following.

a)  $\sqrt{144} = 12$

b)  $\sqrt[3]{-343} = -7$

c)  $\sqrt{-36} = \text{imaginary number}$

3. Evaluate. Write each answer as a fraction in lowest terms.

a)  $\sqrt{\frac{100}{121}}$

No answer given. You can do it!!

b)  $\sqrt{\frac{48}{75}} = \sqrt{\frac{48 \div 3}{75 \div 3}}$

Reduce the radicand

$= \sqrt{\frac{16}{25}}$

$= \frac{\sqrt{16}}{\sqrt{25}}$

$= \frac{4}{5}$

c)  $\sqrt[3]{\frac{216}{125}} = \frac{\sqrt[3]{216}}{\sqrt[3]{125}} = \frac{6}{5}$

4. Identify the sets to which each of the following numbers belongs by marking an "X" in the appropriate boxes.

	Number	Natural Numbers	Whole Numbers	Integers	Rational Numbers	Irrational Numbers
1.	123	X	X	X	X	
2.	-5.24				X	
3.	$\sqrt{13}$					X
4.	$-\frac{35}{5} = -7$			X	X	
5.	$\pi$					X
6.	$\sqrt{\frac{1}{25}} = \frac{1}{5}$				X	
7.	0		X	X	X	
8.	$-\sqrt{64} = -8$			X	X	
9.	$5.\overline{23}$				X	
10.	4.23986109...					X

5. Write each mixed radical below as an entire radical:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a) } 4\sqrt{3} &= \sqrt{4^2 \cdot 3} \\ &= \sqrt{16 \cdot 3} \\ &= \sqrt{48} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{b) } 6\sqrt[3]{2} &= \sqrt[3]{6^3 \cdot 2} \\ &= \sqrt[3]{216 \cdot 2} \\ &= \sqrt[3]{432} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{c) } -9\sqrt{7} &= -\sqrt{9^2 \cdot 7} \\ &= -\sqrt{81 \cdot 7} \\ &= -\sqrt{567} \end{aligned}$$

Even index,  
negative  
stays outside  
of the radical

6. Write each radical below as a mixed radical in simplest form. (Radicaud must be as small as possible.)

a)  $\sqrt{147}$

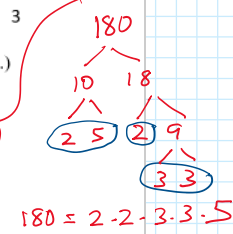
No answer given  
You can do it!!

c)  $5\sqrt[3]{56} = 5\sqrt[3]{8 \cdot 7} = 5\sqrt[3]{2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 7} = 5 \cdot 2 \sqrt[3]{7} = 10\sqrt[3]{7}$

b)  $3\sqrt{180}$

$= 3\sqrt{2 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 3 \cdot 5} = 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \sqrt{5} = 18\sqrt{5}$

Factor the radicaud



7. Write each radical as a power with rational exponent:

a)  $\sqrt[4]{12^5} = 12^{5/4}$

b)  $\sqrt[3]{(-8)^7} = (-8)^{7/3}$

c)  $(\sqrt[4]{11})^3 = (\frac{11}{11})^{3/2}$

8. Write each power as a radical, then evaluate. Write your answer in simplest form.

a)  $121^{1/2} = \sqrt{121} = 11$

b)  $(\frac{125}{64})^{1/3} = \sqrt[3]{\frac{125}{64}} = \frac{5}{4}$

c)  $-16^{3/4} = -\sqrt[4]{16^3} = -2^3 = -8$

d)  $(-27)^{2/3} = \sqrt[3]{-27^2} = (-3)^2 = 9$

e)  $(-24)^{3/2} = \sqrt{-24^3}$   
not a real number

f)  $(\frac{125}{64})^{2/3} = \sqrt[3]{\frac{125}{64}^2} = (\frac{5}{4})^2 = \frac{25}{16}$

g)  $(\frac{16}{625})^{-0.75} = (\frac{625}{16})^{0.75} = (\frac{625}{16})^{3/4} = \sqrt[4]{\frac{625}{16}^3} = (\frac{5}{2})^3 = \frac{125}{8}$

h)  $-0.09^{-3/2} = -(\frac{9}{100})^{-3/2} = -(\frac{100}{9})^{3/2} = -\sqrt{\frac{100}{9}^3} = -(\frac{10}{3})^3 = -\frac{1000}{27}$

i)  $(400)^{3/2}$   
No answer given.  
You know how to do it!!

9. Use exponent laws to simplify each expression, then evaluate. Give each answer as a fraction in lowest terms.

a)  $((\frac{3}{8})^4)^5 \cdot ((\frac{3}{8})^{-2})^9 = (\frac{3}{8})^{20} \cdot (\frac{3}{8})^{-18} = \frac{3^{20} \cdot 8^{-20}}{8^{-20} \cdot 8^{-18}} = (2^18)^{1/9} = 3^2 = 9$

b)  $(27^{1/3} + 25^{-1/2})^2 = [3\sqrt{27} + (\frac{1}{25})^{1/2}]^2 = (3 + \sqrt{\frac{1}{25}})^2 = (3 + \frac{1}{5})^2 = (\frac{16}{5})^2 = \frac{256}{25}$

$((\frac{3}{8})^4)^5 \cdot ((\frac{3}{8})^{-2})^9 = (\frac{3}{8})^{20} \cdot (\frac{3}{8})^{-18} = (\frac{3}{8})^{20 + -18} = (\frac{3}{8})^2 = \frac{9}{64}$

Should have been a "9", not 1/9. My bad. 😞

$$= \frac{(8^{20} \cdot 8^{-2})^{1/9}}{(8^{18})^{1/9}} = \frac{3^2}{8^2} = \frac{9}{64}$$

$$= (3 + 1/5)^{2 \cdot 2} = \left(\frac{16}{5}\right)^2 = \frac{256}{25}$$

$$= \left(\frac{3}{8}\right)^{20 + -18} = \left(\frac{3}{8}\right)^2 = \frac{9}{64}$$

10. Simplify each expression. Do not include negative exponents in your final answer.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a) } & 2(2a^4b^{-2})^3(3a^{-2}b^{\frac{5}{2}})^2 \\ &= 2(2^3 a^{12} b^{-6})(3^2 a^{-4} b^{10/2}) \\ &= 2(8 a^{12} b^{-6})(9 a^{-4} b^5) \\ &= 144 a^{12+(-4)} b^{-6+5} \\ &= 144 a^8 b^{-1} \\ &= \frac{144 a^8}{b} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{b) } & \frac{(4x^{\frac{7}{2}})(-2x^{-\frac{5}{4}})}{8x^{-2}} = \frac{4 \cdot -2 \cdot x^{7/2 + -5/4 - -2}}{8} \\ &= \frac{-8 x^{7/2 - 5/4 + 2}}{8} \\ &= -1 x^{14/4 - 5/4 + 8/4} \\ &= -x^{17/4} \end{aligned}$$

11. The formula to determine the mass of caffeine,  $C$ , which remains in the body  $t$  hours after 100 mg is

ingested is:  $C = 100(2)^{-\frac{t}{5}}$

Determine how much caffeine remains in the body after 15 hours. Give answer in reduced fraction form and make sure to include units.

$$\begin{aligned} C &= 100(2)^{-\frac{15}{5}} \\ &= 100(2)^{-3} \\ &= \frac{100}{2^3} = \frac{100}{8} \\ &= \frac{25 \text{ mg}}{2} \end{aligned}$$