

Properties of Logarithms - Part 1

Logarithmic Form
 $\log_a x = y$

Exponential Form
 $x = a^y$

Properties of Logarithms

1. $\log_a 1 = 0$

2. $\log_a a = 1$

3. $\log_a a^x = x$

4. If $\log_a x = \log_a y$, then $x = y$.

5. $\log_a(u \cdot v) = \log_a u + \log_a v$

6. $\log_a \frac{u}{v} = \log_a u - \log_a v$

7. $\log_a u^n = n \cdot \log_a u$

8. $\log_a \sqrt[n]{u} = \frac{1}{n} \cdot \log_a u$

9. $\log_a x = \frac{\log_{10} x}{\log_{10} a}$ where $a \neq 10$ (Change-of-Base Formula)

Directions: Write the logarithmic equation in exponential form.

1. $\log_3 9 = 2$

2. $\log_{16} 4 = \frac{1}{2}$

3. $\log 1 = 0$

4. $\log_8 \frac{1}{64} = -2$

Directions: Evaluate each logarithmic expression without a calculator.

5. $\log_2 64$

6. $\log_3 81$

7. $\log_9 3$

$$8. \log_{10} \frac{1}{1000}$$

$$9. \log_6 1$$

$$10. \log_6 6$$

Directions: Solve each equation for x using the properties of logarithms.

$$11. \log_8 x = \log_8 9$$

$$12. \log_7 7 = x$$

$$13. \log_6 6^4 = x$$

$$14. \log_8 1 = x$$

Directions: Evaluate each logarithm using the Change-of-Base formula. Round your answer to the nearest thousandth.

$$15. \log_3 7$$

$$16. \log_{\frac{1}{4}} 9$$