

1 Given that $\frac{3^x}{9^{3x}} = 81$

find the value of x .

Show clear algebraic working.

$$9^{3x} = (3^2)^{3x}$$

$$= 3^{6x}$$

$$81 = 3^4$$

$$\therefore \frac{3^x}{9^{3x}} = 81 \rightarrow \frac{3^x}{3^{6x}} = 3^4 \quad (1)$$

$$3^{x-6x} = 3^4$$

$$x-6x = 4 \quad (1)$$

$$-5x = 4$$

$$x = -\frac{4}{5} = -0.8 \quad (1)$$

$$x = \dots -0.8$$

(Total for Question 1 is 3 marks)

$$2^{2y} \times 2^{3y+2} = \frac{8^{5y}}{4^n}$$

- 2 (b) Find an expression for n in terms of y .
Show clear algebraic working and simplify your expression.

$$8^{5y} = (2^3)^{5y}$$

$$= 2^{15y} \quad (1)$$

$$4^n = (2^2)^n$$

$$= 2^{2n}$$

$$2^{2y} \times 2^{3y+2} = \frac{2^{15y}}{2^{2n}}$$

$$2^{2y+3y+2} = 2^{15y-2n} \quad (1)$$

$$2y + 3y + 2 = 15y - 2n$$

$$5y + 2 = 15y - 2n \quad (1)$$

$$2n = 15y - 5y - 2$$

$$2n = 10y - 2$$

$$n = 5y - 1 \quad (1)$$

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(Total for Question 2 is 4 marks)

3 $\sqrt{2} \times 16 = 2^x$

(a) Find the value of x .

Show your working clearly.

$$\sqrt{2} = 2^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$16 = 2^4$$

$$2^{\frac{1}{2}} \times 2^4 = 2^x \quad (1)$$

$$2^{\frac{1}{2}+4} = 2^x$$

$$x = 4 + \frac{1}{2} = 4.5 \quad (1)$$

$$x = \frac{4.5}{(2)}$$

$$\frac{(11^{-6})^5}{11^4} = 11^n$$

(b) Find the value of n .

Show your working clearly.

$$\frac{11^{-6 \times 5}}{11^4} = 11^n$$

$$\frac{11^{-30}}{11^4} = 11^n \quad (1)$$

$$11^{-30-4} = 11^n$$

$$n = -30 - 4 = -34 \quad (1)$$

$$n = \frac{-34}{(2)}$$

(Total for Question 3 is 4 marks)

4 Simplify fully $\left(\frac{9x^4}{16y^{10}}\right)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$

$$9x^4 = 3^2 x^4$$

$$16y^{10} = 2^4 y^{10}$$

$$\left(\frac{9x^4}{16y^{10}}\right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} = \left(\frac{3^2 x^4}{2^4 y^{10}}\right)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$= \frac{3^{2(-\frac{1}{2})} \cdot x^{4(-\frac{1}{2})} \textcircled{1}}{2^{4(-\frac{1}{2})} \cdot y^{10(-\frac{1}{2})}}$$

$$= \frac{3^{-1} \cdot x^{-2} \textcircled{1}}{2^{-2} \cdot y^{-5}} = \frac{2^2 \cdot y^5}{3x^2}$$

$$= \frac{4y^5}{3x^2} \textcircled{1}$$

$$\frac{4y^5}{3x^2}$$

(Total for Question 4 is 3 marks)

5 (a) Simplify $8^2 \times \sqrt[3]{4^6}$

Give your answer in the form 2^a where a is an integer.

Show each stage of your working clearly.

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= 8^2 \times \sqrt[3]{4^6} \\
 &= (2^3)^2 \times (4^6)^{\frac{1}{3}} \\
 &= 2^6 \times 4^2 \quad (1) \\
 &= 2^6 \times (2^2)^2 \\
 &= 2^6 \times 2^4 \quad (1) \\
 &= 2^{(6+4)} \\
 &= 2^{10} \quad (1)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$2^{10}$$

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Given that $n^{\left(-\frac{4}{5}\right)} = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^4$ where $n > 0$

(b) find the value of n .

$$\begin{aligned}
 n^{\left(-\frac{4}{5}\right)} &= \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^4 \\
 \frac{1}{n^{\frac{4}{5}}} &= \frac{1}{16} \quad (1) \\
 16 &= n^{\frac{4}{5}} \\
 16^{\frac{5}{4}} &= n \quad (2) \\
 n &= 32 \quad (1)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$n = 32$$

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(Total for Question 5 is 7 marks)

6 $\frac{2^k}{4^n} = 2^x$

Find an expression for x in terms of k and n

$$\frac{2^k}{2^{2n}} = 2^x$$

$$2^{k-2n} = 2^x$$

$$x = k - 2n$$

$$x = k - 2n$$

(Total for Question 6 is 2 marks)

7 Given that $\left(\sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{x}}\right)^4 = x^m$

(a) find the value of m

$$(x^{-1})^{4/3} = x^{-4/3}$$

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

$$m = -\frac{4}{3} \quad (1)$$

(Total for Question 7 is 1 marks)

8 $a = 6 \times 10^{40}$

Work out the value of a^3

Give your answer in standard form.

$$\begin{aligned} a^3 &= 6^3 \times (10^{40})^3 \\ &= 216 \times 10^{120} \text{ (1)} \\ &= 2.16 \times 10^{122} \text{ (1)} \end{aligned}$$

$$2.16 \times 10^{122}$$

(Total for Question 8 is 3 marks)

9 Solve $2^{-4x} = 32$

$$2^{-4x} = 2^5$$

$$-4x = 5 \quad (1)$$

$$x = -\frac{5}{4} \quad (1)$$

$$x = \dots\dots\dots -\frac{5}{4}$$

(Total for Question 9 is 2 marks)

10 Given that

$$2^n = 2^{x^2} \times 16^x \times 8$$

and

$$x > 0$$

find an expression for x in terms of n

State any restrictions on n

$$16 = 2^4 \quad (1)$$

$$8 = 2^3$$

$$2^n = 2^{x^2} \times 2^{4x} \times 2^3$$

$$n = x^2 + 4x + 3 \quad (1)$$

$$n = (x+2)^2 - 4 + 3$$

$$n = (x+2)^2 - 1 \quad (1)$$

$$n+1 = (x+2)^2$$

$$\pm \sqrt{n+1} = x+2$$

$$x = -2 \pm \sqrt{n+1} \quad (1)$$

since $x > 0$, $-2 + \sqrt{n+1}$ only

$$\text{let } x=0, 0 = -2 + \sqrt{n+1}$$

$$2 = \sqrt{n+1}$$

$$4 = n+1$$

$$n = 3$$

$\therefore n > 3$ for $x > 0$

$$x = -2 + \sqrt{n+1} \quad \text{and } n > 3. \quad (1)$$

(Total for Question 10 is 5 marks)

- 11 Express $\left(\frac{m^6 k^{10}}{25}\right)^{\frac{3}{2}}$ in the form $\frac{m^a k^b}{c}$ where a , b and c are integers to be found.

$$\frac{m^{6(\frac{3}{2})} \times k^{10(\frac{3}{2})}}{25^{\frac{3}{2}}} = \frac{m^9 \times k^{15}}{125}$$

$$= \frac{m^9 k^{15}}{125}$$

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(Total for Question 11 is 2 marks)

12 (a) $\sqrt{2} \div \frac{8^3}{16^{\frac{3}{2}}} = 2^n$

Work out the value of n
Show your working clearly.

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt{2} &= 2^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ 8^3 &= (2^3)^3 = 2^9 \\ 16^{\frac{3}{2}} &= (2^4)^{\frac{3}{2}} = 2^6 \quad (1) \\ 2^{\frac{1}{2}} \div \frac{2^9}{2^6} &= 2^n \\ 2^{\frac{1}{2} - (9-6)} &= 2^n \quad (1) \\ \frac{1}{2} - 3 &= n \quad n = -2.5 \quad (1)\end{aligned}$$

$$n = \frac{-2.5}{(3)}$$

- (b) Find 4% of 4.5×10^{157}
Give your answer in standard form.

$$\begin{aligned}0.04 \times 4.5 \times 10^{157} &\quad (1) \\ = 4 \times 10^{-2} \times 4.5 \times 10^{157} \\ = 4 \times 4.5 \times 10^{-2+157} \\ = 18 \times 10^{155} \quad (1) \\ = 1.8 \times 10^{156} \quad (1)\end{aligned}$$

$$1.8 \times 10^{156}$$

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(Total for Question 12 is 6 marks)

13 (a) Simplify fully $(32a^{15})^{\frac{3}{5}}$

$$32^{\frac{3}{5}} \times a^{15(\frac{3}{5})}$$

$$= 8 \times a^9$$

$$8a^9 \quad (2)$$

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(b) Express $\left(\frac{1}{10x}\right)^{-3}$ in the form px^n where p and n are integers.

$$\left((10x)^{-1}\right)^{-3} = (10x)^3$$

$$= 1000x^3$$

$$1000x^3 \quad (2)$$

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(c) Solve $\frac{1-2y}{3} = \frac{4}{5} - \frac{2y-1}{2}$

Show clear algebraic working.

$$(5)(2)(1-2y) = 4(3)(2) - (3)(5)(2y-1) \quad (1)$$

$$10 - 20y = 24 - 30y + 15 \quad (1)$$

$$10y = 29$$

$$y = 2.9 \quad (1)$$

$$y = 2.9$$

(3)

(Total for Question 13 is 7 marks)